

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests, A.P. Aranya Bhavan, HYDERABAD.

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Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests,
CIRCULAR NO. 13/91-W2.

Sub:- Forests -- Supply of Dhajastambhams to various temples - not to allow teak trees to fell for the purpose - Instructions - Issued.

Ref:- PCCF's Rc.No. 71420/89-W2, dt. 21-12-89.

It is observed that the proposals are being submitted by the Conservators of Forests / Divl. Forest Officer for felling Teak trees of unusual girth and length classes for the purpose of Dhajastambhams without giving importance to the tree preservation and conservation. It is a known fact that natural forests are being destroyed by unsocial elements and forest wealth is depleted day by day. In these circumstances, the Forest Department cannot afford to fell and supply teak logs for Dhajastambhams while the substitutes like nallamaddi, Narepi, Somi etc., are available and can be used in place of teak. Therefore the Conservators of Forests and Divl. Forest Officers are requested to discourage the use of teak logs for Dhajastambhams are not to submit any proposals for felling of Teak trees for the said purpose from 1-9-91 onwards. All requests received after the issue of these instructions be also dealt on this basis. If any temple authorities approach the Conservators of Forests or Divl. Forest Officers with proposals to fell a teak tree for Dhajastambham, they may be suitably advised to go for a non-teak log. The Conservators of Forests/ Divisional Forest Officers are once again informed that under any circumstances proposals for felling teak trees for the purpose of Dwajastambhams will not be considered from 1-9-1991 onwards.

The receipt of these circular instructions may please be acknowledged.

Sd/- Dr.K.Kesava Reddy,
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.

To
All the Conservators of Forests and Divisional Forest Officers (Territorial).

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