

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT

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Office of the Prl. Chief Conservator
of Forests, Arany Bhavan, A.P., Hyderabad.

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C I R C U L A R N O. 10/92-V2

Sub:- A.P. Forest Produce Transit Rules - Amendment to
Rule-5 Certificate of ownership - Issue of Transit
permit for the removal from patta lands - Transac-
tions regarding Sandal Wood and Red Sanders cases.

Ref:- 1.PCCF's Rc.No.115052/76-G5, dt. 27-04-82.
2.PCCF's Rc.No.115052/76-G5, dt. 24-06-85.
3.PCCF's Rc.No.115052/76-G5, dt. 22-10-86.
4.PCCF's Rc.No.115052/76-G5, dt. 16-04-90.
5.PCCF's Rc.No.82930/87-W1, dt. 29-01-88.
6.PCCF's Rc.No.18507/91-G2, dt. 04-04-91.

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In the reference 1st cited detailed instructions were
issued for dealing with the removal of forest produce from private
lands. However, it was specifically mentioned in para-7 that where
extraction of Sandal Wood and Red Sanders wood is involved, the
Divisional Forest Officer must issue permits after obtaining prior
approval of the Chief Conservator of Forests.

2. In the Reference 2nd cited it was mentioned in para-7
that the Divisional Forest Officers and Conservator of Forests need
not refer the cases of removal of tree-growth from private forests
or patta lands to the Chief Conservator for this clearance. However
detailed instructions were given in para-3 regarding the procedure
to be followed by the Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators
of Forests before the issue of transit permits.

3. In the reference 3rd cited a time frame was fixed to
deal with the cases expeditiously with the responsibility put on
the Divisional Forest Officer and check by the Conservator of
Forests to give felling permission and transit permits.

4. In the reference 4th cited while giving elaborate
instructions to deal with the removal of Forest produce from patta
lands, it was mentioned in para-5 that "Red Sanders and Sandal Wood
cases shall be referred to Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests for
obtaining necessary approval.

5. In the reference 5th cited it was stated that Divisional
Forest Officer is competent to issue permission for the conversion
of Red Sanders into Musical parts. However, he has to approach the
Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests to obtain certificate of origin
for export purpose.

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6. In the reference 6th cited the felling permission for Red Sanders trees was granted by the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests. It was also mentioned that for conversion of Red Sanders wood into musical parts prior written permission shall be obtained from the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests.

All the above orders have been considered and following orders are issued specifically for the removal of Sandal Wood and Red Sanders from Patta lands, superceding all previous instructions on the subject.

1. The instructions issued in reference 2nd and 3rd cited shall be followed in dealing with all cases of sandalwood and Red Sanders wood from patta lands for determining the ownership before issuing the felling permission by Divisional Forest Officer with prior written permission of the Conservator of Forests.

2. Once the felling permission is granted by the Conservator of Forests. the subsequent permission for conversion into musical parts, permits for transportation and storage shall be granted by the Divisional Forest Officer as per A.P. Sandal Wood and Red Sanders wood transit Rules, 1969. However, he will keep the Conservator of Forests informed about the details of sizes obtained, number of permits issued, place of storage etc.

3. In case the wood/sawn sizes is to be exported, outside the country, the full details of the case along with the details of each piece shall be reported to the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests for issue of Certificate of Origin.

4. The Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators of Forests will ensure that while following the rules and procedures in granting the felling permission for sandalwood trees and Red Sanders trees, they will avoid delays which may cause hardship to the public.

5. All other instructions issued earlier will hold good as long as they are not contradictory to the Circular.

Please acknowledge the receipt of the Circular.

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

1. All the Officers of Distribution list.

2. Copy to the tables of all Chief Conservator of Forests.

3. Copy to the 'Z' Section for filing in the PCCF's Circular stock file.