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Sub:- Forest Department-Construction of buildings-
 Preparation of Plans-Designs and estimates
 certain instructions-Regarding.

During the year 1990-91 and 1991-92 some building works were taken up for construction under different programmes of the Department. The estimates submitted by the Conservators of Forests/Divisional Forest Officers in respect of some of the estimates did not conform to the standard designs. Hence the Conservators of Forests/Divisional Forest Officers were requested to get them scrutinised by the P.W.D Roads and Buildings Department and submit them in full shape for sanction. In the process, some of the field officers have represented to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests during field visits that the cases referred to some of the Senior Engineers of the Roads and Buildings Department were referred to down the line upto AEEs/AEs and the matter allowed to get abnormally delayed causing lot of inconvenience for obtaining timely sanction and executing the works. They requested not to insist them to approach Roads and Buildings Department for scrutiny of estimates and designs for the building works in future to avoid delays in this regard.

In view of the above the Prl. Chief Conservator of Forests has been pleased to get the issue examined in detail and found that there are no code rules requiring that all building estimates of Forest Department except electrical installation part to be scrutinised by the P.W.D. The Department has not been referring all the cases to P.W.D Roads and Buildings Department (with exceptions to Electrical installation) for preparation of estimates and designs even in the past also. It is only in selected cases, they were referred to the P.W.D. Roads and Buildings Department. However, in view of the difficulties brought to the notice of the Prl. Chief Conservator of

Forests in obtaining estimates and designs from P.W.D. Roads and Buildings Department observing the due formalities prescribed under the relevant rules, the following instructions are issued. However the electrical installation required for the building is to be processed as per the relevant rules and these instructions do not apply to them.

1. The A.P.D.S.S contain specifications and standard designs for doors, windows and R.C.C Works. All the Divisional Forest Officers and Conservators of Forests are requested to purchase one for each office if not already available and adopt it in the preparation, sanction of estimates and execution of all works covering P.W.D.S.S. R. wherever applicable, taking into consideration the durability and safety of the buildings constructed by them.

2. In case where the standard designs available in the A.P.D.S.S. did not sent and approved designs are not available, the Conservators of Forests/Divisional Forest Officers may arrange either to get estimates and designs prepared by P.W.D. Roads and Buildings following the procedure or

They may informally contact, the Engineers on designs and allied matters connected to the preparation and execution of building works and fully satisfy themselves with the Calculations, designs, estimates and record on the estimates that they have consulted the Engineers and got their signal for execution as per the said details. However the responsibility in these cases with regard to design safety and durability of the structures after execution rests entirely on the Conservators of Forests/Divisional Forest Officer concerned.

They will please acknowledge the receipt of the Circular by return post.

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

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