

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
FOREST DEPARTMENT

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C I R C U L A R No.7/95

Sub:- Delay in submission of reports on F(C) Act cases and Environmental protection cases – prompt action required to be taken – instructions issued – Regarding.

It is often noticed that when ever cases for environmental clearance for industries and also cases under the forest (Cons.) Act are referred to the Conservators of Forests/Divisional Forest Officers, they are taking their own time for submission of reports to this office. In most of the environmental clearance cases, the issue was placed before the "Standing Committee" without the reports being received from the concerned Divisional Forest Officers. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is the member of the Standing committee and the Department is not able to put forth the actual spot situation before the Standing Committee in the absence of the reports from the Divisional Forest Officers/Conservator of Forests. In fact, an embracing situation arises due to the indifferent attitude and inordinate delays on the part of the concerned officers.

It is directed that hence forth, any such reports called for, from the Divisional Forest Officers/Conservator of Forests should be invariably attended by the concerned Divisional Forest Officer, himself without simply communicating it to the Forest Range Officer in a routine manner and awaiting for his report. The Divisional Forest Officers will be held personally responsible for the delay in all such cases. A time limit of 30 days is fixed for replying to any such cases referred to the officers.

It is further informed that the A.P. Pollution Control Board has issued the environmental clearance certificates in favour of certain industries, after the case was discussed in the "Standing Committee" for environmental clearance.

The A.P. Pollution Control Board while according the environmental clearance has imposed certain conditions to be complied by the Industry. One of such conditions is that the "green belt" shall be developed atleast 4 times the built up area of the industry. The industries were instructed to develop the "green belt" in consultation with the local forest officials. It is not known whether the industries are ever approaching the local Divisional Forest Officers with a request to advise developing "green belt".

The Divisional Forest Officers are requested to ascertain from all such industries whether the green belt is being developed as stipulated by the A.P. Pollution Control Board. A factual on the spot field truth for each industry in this regard be made and sent and also indicate whether any action was initiated by the Department or by other concerned department in this regard against the defaulting industries. They are requested to report back the action taken and action taken and acknowledge the receipt of this reference forthwith.

Sd/- Dr.C.N.Rao,
Pri.Chief Conservator of Forests

To
All the Conservators of Forests
All the Divisional Forest Officers.

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