GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH FOREST DEPARTMENT

Rc.No.27661/94-X2(i), Dated: 11-5-1998.

Office of the Pri Chief Conservator of Forests, Aranya Bhavan, A.P., Hyderabad.

Sri S.D.Mukherji,I.F.S., Prl.Chief Conservator of forests.

CIRCULAR No.9/98

Sub:-Forest Protection -- Posting of young officers in Flying Squad Parties --Regarding.

The protection of forests is the major concern of the Forest Department. In order to protect the forest in addition to the regular Territorial units, Flying Squad Parties have been stationed. In a recent incident in Karimnagar District the Flying Squad Party was assaulted by the smugglers resulting in the killing of Sri Ch. Narahari, Forest Guard.

There is a demand from the A.P. Junior Forest Officers Association to arm them so that Forest Officers can give a fitting reply to the smugglers rather than getting killed without protection. The matter was discussed with the Director General of Police who has opined that before arming young officers, following two conditions must be fulfilled.

- 1. Young Officers should be put on the Flying Squad duties, and
- 2. They should be trained by Police Department in handling weapons.

It has been decided at Government level to take up direct recruitment in the category of Forest Reserve Watchers, Forest Guard and Forester through Police Recruitment Board to get young officers. Once direct recruitment is completed they will be trained by the complete of the comple be trained by Police Department and their services will be utilised in Flying Squad Parties. Pending availability of such persons it is necessary that young and energetic uniformed officers available are posted to Flying Squad Parties so that they can be trained in handling weapon and effectively control the smugglers.

This Issue came up for discussion before the Hon'ble Minister for Forests and Special Secretary to Government before the A.P. Junior Forest Officers Association representatives on 11-5-1998. It was decided that young and energetic uniformed staff preferably below the age of forty (40) years are posted to Flying Squads. All the Officers are requested to keep this Circular instructions into consideration while proposing and posting uniformed staff to Flying Squad Parties. Sd/- S.D. Mukherji,

Prl.Chief Conservator of Forests

Tο All officers in Distribution List 'A'

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CIRCULAR No.10/98

Sub:- Forest Protection - responsibility for the destruction of Forests -Regarding.

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