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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS DEPARTMENT

Amendments to the Tamil Nadu Regulation of Wood Based Industries Rules, 2010.

[G.O. Ms. No. 16, Environment & Forests (FR.13), 7th February 2020, சைத 24,
விகாரி, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2051.]

No. SRO A-10/2020.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 26 read with sections 35 and 63 of the Tamil Nadu Forest Act, 1882 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1882), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Regulation of Wood Based Industries Rules, 2010.

AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules,-

(1) in rule 2, in sub-rule (1),-

- (i) in clause (a), for the expression "Conservator of Forests" the expression "Conservator of Forests or the Chief Conservator of Forests or the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests" shall be substituted;
- (ii) after clause (d), the following clause shall be inserted, namely;-
"(d-a) "Industrial Estate" means areas notified by the Government for establishment of wood based industries"
- (iii) for clause (g), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
"(g) "Principal Chief Conservator of Forests" means the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department) Tamil Nadu";
- (iv) after clause (g) as so substituted, the following clauses shall be inserted, namely:-
"(g-a) "Round log" means a piece of wood in its natural form, having mid girth of thirty centimetre or more under bark and it includes such round log even after its bark has been removed or its surface has been dressed, manually or by using a band saw or any other machine or equipment to make its cross section square or near-square for the purpose of ease in its transportation and/or storage;
✓ (g-b) "Saw Mill" means plants and machinery in a fixed structure or enclosure, for conversion of round logs into sawn timber;
(g-c) "Sawn Timber" means beams scantlings, planks, battens and such other product obtained from a sawing of a round log;
(g-d) "Committee" means the state level committee constituted under rule 3 - A of these rules";
- (v) for clause (h), the following clause shall be substituted, namely;-
"(h) "Wood based industry" means any industry which processes wood as its raw material (Saw mills/ Venner/ Plywood/ or any other form such as sandal, Katha wood, etc)";

(2) to rule 3, the following provisos shall be added, namely:-

"Provided that the following industries or processing plants not using round logs of domestic origin or operating without a band saw or re-saw or circular saw of more than thirty centimetre diameter shall not require licence, namely:-

Industries or processing plants which use,- (a) sawn timber, cane, bamboo, reed, plywood, veneers or imported wood, procured from legitimate sources;

- (b) black board, medium density fibreboard or similar wood based products, procured from legitimate sources;
- (c) round log or timber from species declared as agro-forestry or agricultural crops and / or exempted from the purview of the felling and transit regime in Tamil Nadu and procured from legitimate sources;

Provided further that the Committee may allow installation of circular saw of diameter upto 60 centimetre in such industries having specialized requirement. Such industries shall be registered with the Tamil Nadu Forest Department and shall be regulated as per the norms prescribed by the Government.

(3) after rule 3, as so amended, the following rules shall be inserted, namely:-

"3-A State Level Committee - (1) The Government shall constitute a State Level Committee to perform the functions stipulated under rule 3 - B.

(2) The Committee shall consists of the following:-

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| (i) Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Department), Tamil Nadu | : | Chairperson |
| (ii) A representative of the Regional Office
of the Ministry of Environment, Forest and
Climate Change | : | Member |
| (ii) A representative of the Tamil Nadu
Forest Department not below the rank of a
<u>Conservator of Forests</u> dealing with preparation
of Working Plans or Working Schemes | : | Member |
| (iv) Director or the Additional Director of
<u>Industries</u> | : | Member |
| (v) A representative of the Forest
<u>Development Corporation</u> | : | Member |
| (vi) An Officer not below the rank of
<u>Conservator of Forests</u> working in the
Forests Head Quarters. | : | Member
Secretary |

(vii) The Committee may co-opt an officer from Teritorial wing of the Tamil Nadu Forest Department not below the rank of Conservator of Forests and officers from Department of Agriculture and Department of Revenue of the State of Tamil Nadu.

(3) The Committee shall meet at least once in three months. 50%

(4) The quorum of the meeting shall be at least fifty percent of the Members, excluding the Chairman.

(5) The Committee shall invite one representative of the industry nominated by the saw-mill association as a special invitee to each and every meeting of the Committee.

3 - B. Powers and functions of the Committee.- The Committee shall perform the following functions, namely:-

- assess the availability of timber in the State by way of appropriate study on demand and supply as and when it decides and shall devise suitable mechanism for sustainable use of timber in a way that does not affect the forests of the area adversely.
- approve the name of wood based industries which may be considered for grant of fresh licence or enhancement of the existing licensed capacity in case the Committee is satisfied that timber is available legally for the said new Wood Based Industries, such as, trees outside forests, forests, etc;
- ensure that the amount lying with Tamil Nadu Forest Department as recovered from Wood Based Industries is utilized for the purpose of afforestation only.
- examine and make appropriate recommendations or any other matter referred by the Government to the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change.

3 - C. Estimated annual consumption of timber by wood based industries.- (1) (a) For the purpose of assessing the timber requirement of the saw mills, they may be divided into,-

- Saw mills upto 10 HP
- Saw mills between 10 HP and 20 HP
- Saw mills between 20 HP and 40 HP
- Saw mills between 40 HP and 60 HP and
- Saw mills above 60 HP

(b) The annual requirement of round log for saw mills of different capacities may be fixed by the Committee based on the technical data or as per the formula given below, namely:-

- (i) Saw mills of 10 HP and below: 540 cu. mt. (base value)
- (ii) Saw mills between 10 HP and 20 HP: 810 cu. mt. (1.5 time the base value)
- (iii) Saw mills between 20 HP and 40 HP: 1080 cu. mt. (2 times of the base value)
- (iv) Saw mills between 40 HP and 60 HP: 1620 cu. mt. (3 times of the base value)
- (v) Saw mills above 60 HP: 2160 cu. mt. (4 times of the base value)

(2) The Timber requirement for various units as assessed by Indian Plywood Industries Research and Training Institute (IPIRTI), Bangalore is given in the Annexure.;

(4) in rule 4 ,-

- (i) sub-rules (1), (2) and (3) shall, respectively, be re-numbered as sub-rules (2), (3) and (4);
- (ii) before sub-rule (2), as so re-numbered, the following sub-rule shall be inserted, namely :-

"(1) No licence to a wood based industry shall be granted without obtaining prior approval of the Committee" ;

(iii) after sub-rule (4), as so remembered the following sub-rule shall be added namely:-

"(5) A Wood Based Industry can be established in an Industrial Estate or a Municipal area, irrespective of the aerial distance from the boundary of nearest notified forest or protected area";

(5) in rule 5, in sub-rule (2), after the expression "adverse impact on forests", the expression "and after the approval of the Committee", shall be inserted;

(6) in rule 6, for the expression "subject to the guidelines issued by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests from time to time", the expression "subject to the approval of the Committee" shall be substituted;

(7) in rule 11, after sub-rule (2)., the following sub-rule shall be added, namely;

"(3) The Licensing Officer shall permit the shifting of the unit only after the approval of the Committee" ;

(8) in rule 12,-

(i) for sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

"(1) (a) Any person who has been refused, (i) to grant of licence under rule 4; or (ii) renewal of licence under rule 5; or (iii) transfer of licence under rule 6, or (iv) shifting of wood based industry under rule 11, may within a period of Sixty days from the date of the receipt of such order, prefer an appeal to the Government.

(b) Any person whose licence has been revoked under rule 10, may within a period of thirty days from the date of receipt of such order, prefer an appeal to the Conservator of Forest or the Field Director of Tiger Reserve, as the case may be.";

(ii) in sub-rule (2), for the expression "the Conservator of Forest or the Field Director of Tiger Reserve", the expression "the Government or the Conservator of Forest or the Field Director of Tiger Reserve, as the case may be," shall be substituted;

(iii) in sub-rule (3), for the expression "the Conservator of Forest or the Field Director of Tiger Reserve", the expression "the Government or the Conservator of Forest or the Field Director of Tiger Reserve, as the case may be," shall be substituted;

(9) after form-IV, The following Annexure shall be added at the end, namely:-

ANNEXURE

Assessment of Timber Requirement

[See rule 3-C(2)]

The Indian Plywood Industry Research and Training Institute (IPIRTI), Bangalore an autonomous body under the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has assessed the timber requirement per unit for peeling length of 4 feet and 8 feet size in the plywood / veneer units as 5 cu.mt. and 11 cu.mt. respectively per day on an average of 8 working hours per day. By assuming that the peeling units work for 8 hours per day on an average for 300 days in a year, the normal timber requirement of the peeling length of 4- feet size in veneer units is 1500 cu.mt. The total timber requirement for the normal stand alone veneer units may be assessed by calculating the equivalent number of 4 feet length machines and by taking its normal installed capacity as 1500 cu.mt. per annum.

The timber requirement of a plywood unit may be taken as 'nil' on the ground that the round timber is used as timber in the veneer units only and that the plywood units are the secondary users which use the veneer as the raw material produced by the veneer units. The plywood units use presses of various sizes such as 8x4x6, 8x4x12, 8x4x15, 4x4x7, 4x4x10.A, 8x4x10 capacity press can produce upto 10 plywood pieces of 8'x4' size per hour whereas a 8x4x15 capacity press can produce upto 15 plywood pieces of 8'x4' size per hour and so on. The normative installed capacity of the plywood units will accordingly depend upon the number and the type of presses. This number and type of presses installed in each of the plywood unit may be assessed and thereafter equivalent number or presses of 8x4x10 capacity may be calculated. The normative annual timber requirement for a integrated plywood unit having a 8x4x10 capacity press may be taken as 2000 cu.mt. per annum, and accordingly the total requirement of timber for the plywood units should be calculated."

SHAMBHU KALLOLIKAR,
Principal Secretary to Government.

LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT

Amendments to the Tamil Nadu Catering Establishments Rules, 1959.

[G.O. Ms. No. 28, Labour and Employment (H1), 13th February 2020, மாசி 1, விகாரி, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2051.]

No. SRO A-11/2020.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 29 of the Tamil Nadu Catering Establishments Act, 1958 (Tamil Nadu XIII of 1958), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Catering Establishments Rules, 1959, namely:-

AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules,-

(1) rule 19 shall be omitted;

(2) in rule 38 for sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:-

" (1) (a) Every employer shall maintain -

(i) a Register of person employed in Form XIX;

(ii) a Register of Employment in Form XX;

(iii) a Register of Wages in Form XXI; and

(iv) a Register of Leave and Social Security Benefits in Form XXII.

(b) The registers referred to in clause (a) shall be maintained either electronically or manually.

(c) Where the registers referred to in clause (a) is maintained in electronic form, the layout and presentation of the registers may be adjusted without changing the integrity, serial number and contents of the columns of the register.

(d) The Registers in the Forms specified in clause (a), shall be considered to serve the purposes of the Registers and muster roll specified hereunder, namely:-

i. Muster Roll in Form A as per sub-rule (1) rule 3 of the Tamil Nadu Maternity Benefit Rules, 1967;

ii. Register of Fines in Form I, Register of Deductions for Damage or Loss caused to the employer by neglect or default of the employed person in Form II as per sub-rule (4) of rule 21, Overtime Register for Workers in Form IV as per sub-rule (2) of rule 26, Muster Roll in Form V as per sub-rule (5) of rule 27 and Register of Employees in Form XI as per sub-rule (6) of rule 27 of the Minimum Wages (Tamil Nadu) Rules, 1953;

iii. Register of Fines in Form I as per rule 3, Register of Deductions for Damage or Loss caused to the employer by the neglect or default of the employed persons in Form II as per rule 4, Register of Advances in Form III as per rule 17 of the Tamil Nadu Payment of Wages Rules, 1937;

iv. Register of Wages in Form B, Register of Fines and Unpaid Accumulations in Form C as per rule 29 of the Tamil Nadu Labour Welfare Fund Rules, 1973;

v. Register of Workmen in Form I as per sub-rule (1) of rule 6 of the Tamil Nadu Industrial Establishments (Conferment of Permanent Status to Workmen) Rules, 1981;

vi. Register of employees placed under suspension in Form I as per rule 3 of the Tamil Nadu Payment of Subsistence Allowance Rules, 1981";

(3) forms "IV-F", "XIV", "XVI" and "XVIII" shall be omitted;

(4) after FORM XVIII as so omitted, the following Forms shall be added, namely:-

"FORM—XIX

Employee Register.

See sub-rule (1) (a) of rule 38

Name and Address of the Catering Establishment:

Registration Certificate No.:

Sl. No.	Name of the employee	Employee I.D.No.	Gender	Father / Spouse Name	Date of Birth	Date of entry into service	Designation	Present Address	Permanent Address	Employee' Provident Fund - UJAN	Employees State Insurance Corporation No.	Aadhaar No.	Date on which completion of 480 days of service	Date on which made permanent	Period of Suspension if any	Bank A/c Number, Name of Bank, Branch (IFSC)	Photo	Mobile Number	E-mail I.D	Specimen Signature / Thumb Impression	Date of Exit	Reason for Exit	Remarks	
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FORM-XXII

Register of Leave and Social Security Benefits

See sub-rule (1) (a) of rule 38

Name and Address of the Catering Establishment:

Name and Address of the Employer:

Name of the Manager / Incharge:

Registration Certificate No.:

For the month of Year

Sl.No.	Name of the employee	Employee I.D. No.	Earned Leave				Medical Leave			Other Leave			Maternity Benefits				Gratuity Benefits			
			Leave at the beginning of the month	Leave earned during the period	Leave availed during the month	Leave balance at the end of the month	Leave at beginning of the month	Leave availed during the month	Leave balance at end of the month	Leave at beginning of the month	Leave availed during the month	Leave balance at end of the month	Date of giving notice of pregnancy / delivery	Amount of Maternity benefit paid in advance, of expected delivery and Date of Payment.	Subsequent payment of maternity benefit and date of payment	Amount paid as Medical Bonus and Date of payment	Leave with Wages as per Section 9 or 10 under Maternity Benefit Act, 1961	Whether nomination received from the employee	Amount paid as Gratuity in case of exit or demise of the employee	Remarks
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Md. NASIMUDDIN,
Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

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முதன்மை தலைமை வனப்பாதுகாவலர்
(வனத்துறைத்தலைவர்) அலுவலகம்.
பனகல் மாளிகை, சைதாப்பேட்டை.
சென்னை 15.

நாள். 22 .09.2022.

பொருள்:

வனம் - பட்டா நிலம் - செம்மரம் . செங்கல்பட்டு வனக்கோட்டம் ஸ்ரீபெரும்புதர்
வனச்சரகம் - தனியார் பட்டா நிலங்களிலுள்ள செம்மரங்களை வெட்டுவதற்காக
இணையதளம் மூலம் விண்ணப்பித்து செம்மரங்கள் வெட்டப்பட்டது வெட்டப்பட்ட
செம்மரங்களை கழிவு நீக்கம் செய்ய கோரியது - ஆணை வழங்க கேரியது
தொடர்பாக.

பார்வை:

1. மாவட்ட வன அலுவலர், காஞ்சிபுரம் ந.க.எண். 4500/2021, எண். நாள். 16.06.2022.
2. வனப்பாதுகாவலர், சென்னை ந.க.எண். 3/4528/2022, நாள். 29.08.2022

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மேற்காணும் கடிதத்தின் பொருள்தொடர்பாக செங்கல்பட்டு வனக்கோட்டம் ஸ்ரீபெரும்புதர்
வனச்சரகத்திற்குட்பட்ட தனியார் பட்டா நிலங்களிலுள்ள செம்மரங்களை வெட்டுவதற்காக
இணையதளம் மூலம் விண்ணப்பித்தது செம்மரங்கள் வெட்டப்பட்டது . அதனை (வெட்டப்பட்ட
செம்மரங்களை) கழிவு நீக்கம் செய்ய கோரி கடிதம் வரப்பெற்றது.

இக்கடிதத்தினை ஆய்வு செய்யப்பட்டதில், முதன்மை தலைமை வனப்பாதுகாவலர்
(துறைத்தலைவர்), சென்னை (சுற்றறிக்கை எண். 5/2017) ந.எண். 3/21168/2014, நாள். 05.07.2017ன்
வழிகாட்டுதலின் படி ஆய்வு செய்து உரிபசட்ட விதிகளின் படி மண்டல / கோட்ட அலுவலர்
நிலையிலேயே ஆய்வு செய்து பயனற்ற செம்மரக்கட்டைகள் என உறுதி செய்து கழிவு நீக்கம்
செய்திடலாம் என தெரிவிக்கப்படுகிறது.

ஓம்/ கிருகவுஷல்.

முதன்மை தலைமை வனப்பாதுகாவலர்
(வனத்துறைத்தலைவர்) ருக்காக.

பெறுநர்:

1. வனப்பாதுகாவலர், சென்னை மண்டலம், சென்னை.
2. மாவட்ட வன அலுவலர், செங்கல்பட்டு கோட்டம், செங்கல்பட்டு.

நகல்:

1. அனைத்து நிலை அலுவலர்கள்.
2. 3. இருப்பு கோப்பு.

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கண்காணிப்பாளர்:

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Circular No. 05/2017.
Ref.No. E3/21168/2014

Office of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Department)
Panagal Maaligai, Saidapet,
Chennai- 15.
Dated : 05.07.2017.

- Sub: Forests - Red Sanders - extraction, possession and transport of Red Sanders grown on patta lands- guidelines - regarding.
- Ref: 1. G.O.Ms.No.1012, Forests and Fisheries Department dated.18.11.1978.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras ref.No.D1/54095/84-7 dated.02.01.1985.
3. G.O.Ms.No.945, Forests and Fisheries Department dated.31.08.1987.
4. G.O.Ms.No.192, Environment & Forests (FR 13) Department dated.14.10.1988.
5. G.O.Ms.No. 51, Environment & Forests (FR 13) Department dated.31.03.2010.

Red Sanders trees occur mostly in the Reserved Forests and Forest plantations in Tiruvallur, Kanchipuram, Vellore, Tiruvannamalai and Dharmapuri Districts. Red Sanders' trees are also grown and available in the patta lands/ fields in the above said districts.

As per G.O. Ms. No. 945 Forests and Fisheries Department dated. 31.08.1987, 'Red Sanders' is again included in the Schedule of the Tami Nadu Forest Act 1882.

Farmers have been approaching the Forest Department for permission to fell, possess and transport Red Sanders trees grown on private patta lands. Field level officers have expressed during meetings that there is no clarity on procedure to be adopted in this matter. Accordingly following guidelines are issued in this regard.

- (a) G.O. (Ms) No. 192 Environment & Forests (FR 13) Department, dated.14.10.1988 and G.O. (Ms) No.51 Environment & Forests (FR 13) Department, dated.31.03.2010 may be scrupulously followed for felling and storage of red sanders timber, chips or powder for industrial and commercial purposes

- (b) For possession of red sander timber chips or powder for personal use Rule 10 of Timber Transit Rules 1968 to be scrupulously followed.
- (c) For moving or transporting red sander timber, chips or powder for any purpose (industrial, commercial or personal) special permit issued by the District Forest Officer in Form VI will be required as per Rule 10 of Timber Transit Rules 1968.
- (d) For cases involving origin certificate GO Ms.No.1012 Forests and Fisheries Department dated.18.11.78 and Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ref.No.D1/54095/84-7 dated.2.1.85 may be scrupulously followed.

District Forest Officers/Conservators of Forests should take following additional precautions while dealing with patta Red Sander issues:

1. G.O.(Ms) No. 51 Environment & Forests (FR 13) Department, dated. 31.03.2010 provides for prior intimation to District Forest Officer concerned at least 15 days before felling scheduled timber trees for industrial or commercial purpose. This period of 15 days must be utilized by District Forest Officer in enumeration, inspection and verification of red Sanders trees as well as ownership of land and trees.
2. Enumeration list of red sanders trees prepared by Forester should be checked by Ranger and District Forest Officer as per existing codal provisions (25% by Ranger i.e. one in four trees and 10% by District Forest Officer i.e. one in ten trees). In cases involving more than 50m³ of red sanders, Conservator of Forests should inspect the red sanders trees at site and record his observations.
3. For cleaning and conversion of Red Sanders logs, any bonafied stockholder possessing Red Sanders logs should take permission from the District Forest Officer having jurisdiction over the area by submitting the details of logs including measurements like length, girth, volume, heartwood content etc.,
4. After stock verification, District Forest Officer should issue cleaning and/or conversion order. Cleaning and/or conversion should be completed within the period of time as stipulated by District Forest Officer

5. After cleaning and/or conversion, the final quantity of cleaned wood, chips, powder etc., and details of article should be reported to the District Forest Officer concerned by submitting the details of cleaned wood, giving the measurements like length, girth, volume, weight etc., In case of converted articles, description of each item with measurements (wherever possible) and weight in Kgs. should be furnished to the District Forest Officer.
6. For within the Tamil Nadu State limit, approval of Conservator of Forests should be taken by District Forest Officer in cases involving more than 10 MT of cleaned Red Sanders wood including converted article before issuing permission in Form VI.
7. In case of transport within the state, the person who receives the transported Red Sanders logs/wood/.chips/powder/article has to inform to the District Forest Officer, having the jurisdiction over the proposed storage facility, within 24 hours of receipt of the Red Sanders logs/wood/chips/powder/article and apply for possession certificate with proper documents.
8. For transport of Red Sanders logs, wood, chips, powder, article etc., outside the State/Country, irrespective of quantity, approval of Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is required before issuing permit. Application for this has to be routed through the District Forest Officer and Conservator of Forests along with their specific remarks in the specific format issued vide GO Ms.No.1012 Forests and Fisheries Department dated.18.11.1978 and Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras Ref.No. D1/54095/84-7 dated.02.01.1985.
9. In case of Red Sanders trees that have fallen/broken/damaged due to natural calamities, the applicant/pattadar shall inform the District Forest Officer within 15 days of such incident and apply for property mark/transit permit to intermediate depot.

Sd/- H.Basavaraju.
Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Head of Department).

To
All Officers in DLF.
E3 Stock File/ INS stockfile/Spare.

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Superintendent

