

Annexure IIB (I), (Vide Article - 2.07(ii))

IMMEDIATE

No.SWM.1001/106836-F-6,
Revenue and Forests Department,
Bombay-470 022,
Dated : 29th August 1961.

To

- (I) All Divisional Forest Officers,
(II) All Sub-Divisional Forest Officers
in charge of independent Sub-Divisions

Subject :- Grant of licences for erecting or
operating machinery or saw-mills
for cutting or converting of timber.

Government by its Notifications, Revenue and Forests Department, No.SWM.1001/106836(A)/F-6, No.SWM.1001/106836(B)/F-6, No.SWM.1001/106836(C)/F-6, No.SWM.1001/106836(a)/F-6 No.SWM.1001/106836(b)/F-6, and No.SWM.1001/106836(c)/F-6, all dated the 19th August, 1961, has further amended Rule 8B of the Bombay Forest Rules, 1942, Rule 23 of the Bombay Transit of Forest Produce (Vidarbha Region and Saurashtra and Kutch areas) Rules, 1960 and Rule 23 of the Hyderabad Transit of Forest Produce (Bombay) Rules, 1958 and also the directions issued thereunder on the 16th July, 1961 for the guidance of the licensing authorities, licensees and other persons concerned, in regard to the grant of new licences for erecting or operating any machinery or saw mill for cutting or converting of timber. Copies of the relevant notifications dated 19th August 1961 mentioned above, along with copies of the relevant Rule and directions, as amended upto-date, are enclosed for information and necessary action.

2. You are now requested to take immediate action to advise the persons operating saw mills without any licence, to apply for a licence on or before the 30th September, 1961, if they wish to take the benefit of clause 3 of the directions. For the purposes of this clause, it is clarified that the arrears of renewal fees should be recovered at the rates in force as per the orders issued by Government from time to time, without making any distinction between sawmills with only one machine and those

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having more than one machine. The revised renewal fee of Rs. 100/- per cutting or sawing machine (per season) may be charged from the next renewal. The licensed fee for the first licence to be issued on or after 19th August 1961 should be recovered according to the rates now prescribed by the Rules and will be related to the number of cutting or sawing machines.

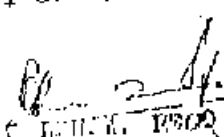
3. Any cases falling under clause 4 of the directions should be referred to Government.

4. Your attention is invited to the amendment now made to provide for suspension of licence. The intention underlying this provision is, that it should be possible to deal with minor contraventions of the rules, etc. by suspending the licence for an appropriate period, instead of taking the extreme action of revocation of the licence.

5. New licences granted hereafter, should be in the amended form of the licence. Similarly, the amended licence form may be used while renewing the licences in future.

6. Revised model registers to be maintained by the licensees, will be circulated shortly for being prescribed by the licensing authorities. Till then, the licensing authority may continue to prescribe the registers in vogue at present.

7. Your attention is also invited to the proviso to clause 3 of the directions, wherein it has been stipulated, that the desirous applicant should submit his application to the licensing authority on or before the 30th September 1961. You are requested to see that the orders of Government regarding grant of a new licence are given sufficient publicity in the area of your jurisdiction, so as to leave no room for complaints from any-one later on.


(Sd/-)
Deputy-Secretary to Government,
Revenue and Forests Department.

Enclosure : Copies of notifications.

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Copies, with the copies of the Government Notifications dated the 19th August 1931, forwarded with compliments to :-
The Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Pune,
All Conservators of Forests (Territorial) for information and necessary action.
