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Grant of saw mill licence -
Precautionary measures to be taken.

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASHTRA,
Revenue and Forests Department,
Circular No. SVM/1060/112274-FG
Mantralaya, Bombay - Pin-400 032
Dated :- 20th September 1982.

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With a view to enforcing strict control on the operation of saw mills throughout the State, owing to the alarming increase in the incidence of illicit felling of trees from Government forests, Government has, in their Revenue and Forests Department Circular No.S.M 1060/112274-F, dated 7-4-1981, directed that the Officers concerned, under the administrative control of the Maharashtra Small Scale Industries Development Corporation, Cooperative Banks, Maharashtra State Electricity Board etc. be instructed not to consider the applications received by them for grant of loan, electricity connection, etc. unless they were accompanied by a certified copy of the saw mill licence issued by the Forest Department.

2. The present policy of Government is to discourage the grant of new saw mill licences, as the situation in regard to forest protection continues to cause concern. According to this policy, the grant of every new saw mill licence now requires ^{the} prior approval of the Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Pune. The various Departments, agencies and organisations concerned are, therefore, requested not to entertain any application for grant of "No Objection Certificate," loans, industrial licence, ~~licence~~ electricity connection, etc. in respect of installation of a saw mill, unless prior approval is obtained by the applicant from the Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Pune, for

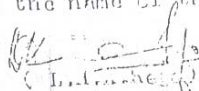
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the grant of saw mill licence.

3. The Departments concerned, namely, the Industry Energy and Labour Department, Rural Development Department and Urban Development and Public Health Department (Urban Development) are requested to issue explicit instructions in this regard, to the agencies and local bodies (Municipal Corporations/ Councils and Village Panchayats) under their respective administrative control and endorse copies of the same to the Revenue and Forests Department for information.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.


Deputy Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Revenue and Forests Department.

To

- The Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Pune.
- The Chief Conservator of Forests (Special) Maharashtra State, Pune.
- The additional Chief Conservator of Forests, Maharashtra State, Pune.
- The Conservators of Forests (All)
- The Divisional Forest Officers/Independent Sub-Divisional Forest Officers (All)
- The Industries, Energy and Labour Department.
- The Rural Development Department,
- The Urban Development & Public Health Department.
- The Finance Department.
- All other Departments of Mantralaya, for issuing necessary instructions to the Departments/ Offices under their administrative control.