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Office of the
Chief Conservator of Forests
Working Plan Nagpur

No. 315 Dt. 28/05/2012

Sub :- Implementation of the prescription
of approved working plan.

No. PCCF/(P & M)/PA/25/2012-13.

Nagpur, Dated 25th May 2012.

OFFICE NOTE

Government of Maharashtra vide G.R. No. Misc-2011/CR-289/F-7, dated 29th September 2011 of Revenue and Forest Department issued instruction for effective implementation of working plan prescription of approved working plan. In this respect a discussion was held at Nagpur in the meeting of CCFs (T) chaired by the principal Secretary Forests. During the discussion, it was emphasized that all works shall be done as per the working plan prescriptions.

2.00 In this regard CCF(WP) Nagpur, has inspected personally some of the working plan activities carried out during the year 2011-12 in Gondia Forest Division along with officials of Gondia Division and submitted his report vide his confidential letter No. CCF/WP/RS/194/2012-13 dated 23rd May 2012, which is enclosed for your kind perusal.

3.00 I am not surprised regarding the findings of report of CCF (WP) Nagpur, but they are serious. It reveals gross violation of working plan prescriptions resulting in infructuous expenditure. At some sites, the expenditure has been charged without doing the works on the field.

- Tending of Natural Regeneration has been shown in the measurement book (MB) as carried out at those places which do not have any seed based seedling and the expenditure has been incurred. On spot verification, it has also been observed that such activities have not been carried out at all. Tending under NR should be done in those areas, which have at least 400 seed based natural seedling per ha and it should be done just after rains and not in the month of January.
- CBO works have not been carried out in the coupes at all and a huge amount has been charged, which is very serious financial irregularity and amounts to misappropriation of government money. CBO works are required to be done next year of main felling as per the prescription of approved working plan, which has not been done at all. In the name of CBO, cleaning and dressing of old stumps have been recorded in the measurement book and that too has not been carried out at all. A falsified and fabricated M.B. has been maintained.
- Selection of sites is not as per approved working plan. Bamboo plantation site has been selected in SCI working circle, earmarked for harvesting works without approval of deviation proposal. While ignoring the above, pits taken up for plantation are not of same size and at many places these are undersized. PPO works have been carried out without treatment map and laying grid and base line in the field.
- Under the NR operation cleaning- tending, cleaning of old stumps, cutting of climbers have been recorded in the measurement book. But the same have not been found to be done in the field at all and a huge amount has been charged for the same. Tending of natural regeneration

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has not been prescribed in the approved working plan under cleaning and not expected done under cleaning as per approved working plan and it has completely different method implementation.

- The coupes have not been demarcated and the treatment maps have not been prepared as per the prescriptions of working plan. As reported by the WPO, the site selection of CBO management, plantation and cleaning activities is not as per the approved working plan. Works have been done without preparation of treatment maps.

3.00 Above irregularities are serious in nature and the works have not been carried out as per prescriptions of working plan and a huge amount appears to have been misappropriated making false entries in the measurement books. Also these works have neither been inspected by Chief Conservator of Forests, Nagpur nor by Dy. Conservator of Forests, Gondia. Looking at the above lapses in implementation of prescription of approved working plan, it is clear indicating a casual and indifferent approach of field staff/officers in implementation of working plan prescriptions in Gondia Division. Such financial, technical and administrative irregularities have been observed in the working plan activities in Nagpur Forest Division also during the year 2011-12.

4.00 It is my apprehension that such serious irregularities in implementation of working plan prescriptions may be going on in other circles as well, which needs to be inspected and concerned CCF (T) immediately. In this regard, necessary instruction may immediately be given to Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF) M.S., Nagpur to further issue orders to conduct inspections personally by the CCFs and Dy. CFs of all the works done under NR and AR and if any irregularity is observed, necessary action in the matter be taken.

Encl. : as above.

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests
(Production and Management),
Maharashtra State, Nagpur,

To,
Principal Secretary (Forests)
Revenue and Forest Department,
Mantralaya, Mumbai.

1. Copy to Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (HoFF) M.S., Nagpur for information.
2. Copy to CCF Nagpur and Dy. CF Gondia for information and necessary action as above.
3. Copy to APPCF (WP) East and West to arrange for inspections of works under NR and AR in their respective circles through their CCFs (WP)/CFs (WP) and report compliance.
- ✓ 4. Copy to CCFWP Nagpur for information.

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