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Government of India
Ministry of Defence
New Delhi, the 3rd August 2000

To

The Chief of the Army Staff
New Delhi

Subject : Authorisation of officer Commandings(OCs) of Ammunition Depots and Ordnance Depots for removal/cutting/disposal of grass/Sarkanda in Ammunition Depots and Ordnance Depots.

Sir,

I am directed to say that the issue of removal/cutting /disposal of grass/sarkanda in the Ammunition Depots and Ordnance Depots has been considered in the Ministry and keeping in view the safety/security and sensitiveness of the Depots, it has been decided to authorize the Officer Commandings(OCs) of the Ammunition Depots and Ordnance Depots to remove/cut/dispose of grass/sarkanda in the Ammunition Depots and Ordnance Depots, subject to the following conditions:-

- (i) the grass will always be cut in time to avoid any fire hazard etc.
- (ii) The OC will be personally accountable to ensure the cutting of grass in time/safety of the Ammunition/ordnance Depots.
- (iii) A Board of Officers will be convened by the concerned Station HQrs of the Ammunition Depot/Ordnance Depot for disposal of the grass/sarkanda and a representative of the DEO concerned will also be included in the Board.
- (iv) The disposal of the grass cutting rights shall be by calling tenders and highest bidder will be allotted the contract.
- (v) At the onset of the grass cutting season, the Board of Officers will inspect the land and prepare the Minimum Reserve Price (MRP) of the grass to be cut/removed.
- (vi) The MRP would be approved by the OC concerned in consultation with the DEO. However, in case of a difference of opinion, the final decision rests with the OC/Commandant.

(vii) In case of receipt of bids lower than the MRP, the authority competent to accept the same would be the GOC-in-C of the Command in consultation with the Principal Director/Director, DE, in respect of cases where the MRP exceeds Rs. 10,000/-. In the case of MRP of Rs. 10,000/- and below, the OC in consultation with the DEO would be competent to accept bids lower than MRP.

(viii) The proceeds will be credited to the Central Treasury by the OC Ammunition Depot/Ordnance Depot.

2. This issues with the concurrence of Ministry of Defence (Finance Division) vide their UO No. 1022/Dir(Fin/W) dated 01.08.2000.

Yours faithfully.

Sd/-

(Lalit Chauhan)

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