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To

The Principal Director, Defence Estates Southern/Central/Western/Eastern/Northern/South Western Commands, Pune/Lucknow/Chandigarh/Kolkata/Jammu/Jaipur.

Sub: Revised procedure for disposal of trees on sites for AMWP/MAP projects on Defence land

Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of MoD letter issued vide Government of India, Ministry of Defence letter No.1(8)/2016-D(Works-I) dated 25.07.2017 on the above referred subject for your further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above

(Puspendra Singh)

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New Delhi Dated the 25th July, 2017

To

The Directorate General Defence Estates

Sub: REVISED PROCEDURE FOR DISPOSAL OF TREES ON SITES FOR AMWP/MAP PROJECTS ON DEFENCE LAND

- 1. There have been instances in the past where execution of projects sanctioned under AMWP or MAP were delayed due to delay in cutting of trees resulting in escalation of cost of work. To avoid such delays, in partial modification of instructions contained in MoD (DGDE) letter no. 749/1/L/DE/2010 dt 10.11.2010 and letter of even number dt 14.08.2014, the following revised procedure shall be followed by all concerned with immediate effect:-
 - (a) For new AMWP and MAP works, wherein admn approval is not yet accorded, e-auction for tree cutting and disposal thereof be taken upon by DEOs immediately on receipt of recommendations of Board proceedings with approval of Station commander/competent authority for felling of trees including NoC/clearance from the Forest Authorities of the state Government. The concerned DEOs must complete the e-auction process within three months of date of receipt of BOO. In case there are no bidders after two bids, then MRP fixed by the DEO in consultation with the forest dept should be intimated to concerned LMA and MES authority for inclusion of same in the credit schedule of the e-tender of the building work. The MES authority will ensure that the building or project tender is suitably prepared for cutting as well as disposal of the trees by the contractor who wins the bid for the building contract. The credit value recovered from the contractor will be transferred by MES to the DGDE through concerned DEO.
 - (b) In a situation where bids for cutting and disposal of trees is received in e-auction by the DEO, the DEO will ensure that the disposal of trees is completed and the land is cleared for construction activity within six months of issue of Sanction / Admn. Approval of CFA for concerned work.
 - (c) In existing AMWP cases wherein either contracts have been awarded or tenders have been issued by MES authorities and tree cutting and disposal is yet to be resolved, e-auction process for the same should be adopted by the DEOs. In case there are no bids after making two

attempts, the task of disposal of trees may be entrusted to the contractor who has been awarded the building project. The MRP and other Forest clearance / statutory costs will be intimated by the DEO to the LMA and MES authority. The building contractor will be permitted to take possession of the trees on payment of assessed value/MRP to the DEO and thereafter he shall be responsible for cutting and/or disposal of trees. In a case wherein, the building contractor does not agree to acquire the trees at MRP, the MES auth shall get the trees cut and stacked through deviation order. The cut trees/logs will be stacked in a secure place as identified by the Board of officers. The cut logs and trees will be measured and inventorized by the BOO in presence of rep of the DEO and LMA and its MRP re-accessed from the forest authorities. The stacked trees shall be in the possession of LMA and will be disposed off by DEO within 6 months by following laid down procedure and obtaining sanction from the CFA.

- 2. The above mentioned process shall be applicable for all AMWP, MAP and similar works with all services for disposal of trees where MRP exceeds Rs. 50,000/-. For disposal of trees whose MRP is equal to or less than Rs. 50,000/- DEO shall be authorized to carry out spot auction by sending auction notice to the local contractors, MES, LMA, local forest authorities etc. at the least ten days before the proposed date of auction.
- 3. The concerned departments of MoD including CCE projects may issue detailed directions to their respective offices elaborating the above mentioned procedure for effective implementation within their depts.

4. This issues with the approval of Defence Secretary.

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