

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU & KASHMIR DEPARTMENT OF FOREST, ECOLOGY & ENVIRONMENT CIVIL SECRETARIAT, JAMMU

Subject: -

Revision of Sale Rates of Timber in Concessional Timber

Sale Depots (CTSDs).

Reference: -

State Administrative Council Decision No. 147/20/2018

dated 22.11.2018.

GOVERNMENT ORDER No. 365-FST OF 2018 DATED 22-11-2018

In supersession of all the previous orders on the subject, sanction is hereby accorded to the following:-

- 1. Concessions to villagers, whose village boundary lies within three miles (5 kilometers) of the demarcated forest boundary, provided that the forest is not separated by the village by an unfordable stream at its winter level, shall continue to be granted under the Jammu Forest Notice and Kashmir Forest Notice. Similarly, Zamindars residing between 3 to 5 miles (5 to 8 kilometers) of demarcated forest boundary shall also get timber as provided in the Jammu Forest Notice and Kashmir Forest Notice, subject to silvicultural availability of trees and capacity of the forest to meet the demand.
- 2. The practice of classifying timber sale depots into A, B and C zones is dispensed with immediate effect.
- 3. The power to revise/fix the rates for sale of timber is hereby delegated to the Steering Committee of the J&K State Forest Corporation headed by the Commissioner/ Secretary to Government, Forest, Ecology and Environment Department, and having the PCCF J&K, MD J&K SFC, CCF Kashmir, and Director Finance J&K SFC as members. The Steering Committee shall revise the sale rates of timber annually based on the average auction rates of the previous year.

4. Timber shall be supplied at the average auction rates of the previous year less by 15% for non-BPL consumers and less by 50% for BPL consumers. The revised sale rates of timber w.e.f 22.11.2018, shall be as under:-

Revised Sale Rates of Timber (in Rs. Per Cft.)				
S.No	Species	Average Auction Rate (2018-19) Ending October, 2018	Rate for Non- BPL Consumers (15% Discount)	Rate for BPL Consumers (50% Discount)
1	Deodar	1423	1210	712
2	Kail	915	778	458
3	Fir	474	403	237
4	Chir	437	371	219
	(The	above rates shall	be exclusive of all	taxes).

- For the purpose of determining eligibility under BPL category, the records maintained by the Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs shall be relied upon.
- 6. The Steering Committee of J&K State Forest Corporation shall also fix the overall proportion of timber, species-wise, to be allocated to CTSDs and auction sale depots of SFC for maintaining a balance between the two sources of revenue.
- 7. Subject to timber availability, consumers shall be provided timber once in 10 years to the maximum of 200 cft for new house construction. For repair of house, upto 50 cft timber shall be supplied in one instance, with a limit of 150 cft in 5 years.
- 8. The principle of *first come first served* shall be strictly adhered to while supplying timber to consumers.

9. The J&K SFC shall develop a web based application for online registration of consumers and grant of sanctions.

By order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir

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Commissioner Secretary to Government, Department of Forest, Ecology & Environment

No. FST/Lease/02/2015

Dated: - 22/11/2018

Copy to: -

- 1. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Governor, J&K.
- 2. Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department.
- 3. Commissioner/Secretary to Government, General Administration Department.
- 4. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests J&K, Jammu.
- 5. Managing Director, State Forest Corporation, J&K.
- All HODs of the Forest Department _______.
- 7. OSD to Hon'ble Advisor (K).
- 8. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, J&K.
- 9. Private Secretary to Commissioner/ Secretary to Government Department of Forest, Environment & Ecology.

10. Government Order file.

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