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To: All DFOs/ DCFs/ DFDs

Sub: Condemnation of Vehicles

Ref.: i) This office no. 4358/ CS/2M-1122/2015 dated 21.07.2017

- ii) This office no. 3897/CS/2M-1122/2015 dated 18.07.2016
- iii) This office no. 18-Misc/A&A/16 dated 01.04.2016

Sir, As evident from the letters under reference on the above mentioned subject, the matter of condemnation of vehicles has been high priority by the Government of West Bengal as well as by the Head of the Forest Directorate. Consequently, the field establishments have been given instructions from time to time about cleaning their various premises of old & unserviceable vehicles. Further, an elaborate procedure has also been detailed to be followed by the respective DDOs in getting the said vehicles condemned followed by their disposal through auction.

It is to convey the intense and immense displeasure of the u/s that over last approximately two years, the progress in this regards has been very sluggish and far from being satisfactory. Although few DFOs have completed the due procedure of vehicle condemnation, majority of the DFOs have either failed to initiate the prescribed proceedings at all or else, at their best, have not completed the initiated vehicle condemnation procedure.

This inordinate delay in carrying out the instructions of this office results in loss of Government revenue through auction on one hand and blocking the purchase of new vehicles using the funds allotted for the same, on the other hand. This has led to embarrassment of Directorate of Forests on account of effective physical movement over the forest area getting hampered as-well-as under-/non-utilization of funds.

It is therefore finally requested to ensure compliance of above referred instructions within 60 days of issuance of this letter. The failure to do so will invite fixing the responsibility personally on the respective DDOs and subsequent proceedings for dereliction of Government duty, disobedience to superiour's instructions and loss to public ex-chequer.

Yours faithfully

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Copy to i) all CCFs/ FDs/ CFs/ JD-SBR requesting them to closely monitor the progress of vehicle condemnation in their respective jurisdictions.

ii) CCF-MIS & E-governance, for uploading this letter in our official website.

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