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NO. 13791/MKT/2M-24/17

All the territorial DFOs including Wildlife Divns.

Sub : Disposal of Forest produce through E. Auction

Sir / Madam,

To

Enclosed find a copy of the letter No.408/2/E-AUC/2015-16 dt. 16.03.18 received from the Managing Director, WBFDC Ltd., which is self-explanatory. It is seen that while fixing the reserve price of the lots to be disposed of through e.auction probably the market rates are not considered properly. This leads to fixation of reserve price sometimes at an unrealistic level leading to non disposal of such lots. The M.D., WBFDC Ltd., has indicated that few lots even after being put in the e.auction 5 to 6 times, either never get any bid or never reaches the reserve price.

Keeping the above in mind, all the DFOs responsible for fixation of reserve price must consider the following at the time of fixing reserve price:-

- (1) Quality of forest produce.
- (2) Market rate
- (3) Location of Depot
- (4) Age of the forest produce etc.

It is further directed that if required, the reserve price may be changed if the produce is not getting disposed repeatedly through e.auction and while revising the reserve price the reason for revising the reserve price must be kept on record.

The above instructions should be followed in letter and spirit.

Yours faithfully,

N K PANDEY

Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Head of Forest Force, West Bengal

Encl. as stated

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Copy forwarded for information to :-

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- (1) The Managing Director, WBFDC Ltd.
- (2) The PCCF, Wildlife
- (3) All territorial CCFs / CFs

CCF, MIS & E.Gov. --- He is requested to upload in our website under 'Whats New'.

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No.: 408/2/E-AUC/2015-16

To Shri N. K. Pandey, Principal Chief Conservator of Forest & Head of Forest Force, West Bengal, Aranya Bhawan, Salt Lake, Kolkata - 700 106.

Sub: Disposal of Forest Produce through E-Auction during 2016-17.

Dear Sir,

The West Bengal Forest Development Corporation Ltd. has conducted about 639 E-auctions with effect from 30.01.2017 to 15.03.2018. About 30,913 lots have been sold fetching total sale value of about Rs. 210.40 Crores.

However, it is seen that a number of lots have remained unsold till date, the reasons for which can be attributed to:

1) Poor quality of the Forest Produce.

2) Poor quality of lot formation.

3) Late submission of list of lots resulting in deterioration of the Forest Produce such as poles obtained from clonal plantations of Eucalyptus.

4) Fixation of unreasonable reserve price.

It is seen that a large number of the lots have not received a single bid even after being placed in 5 to 6 auctions. A number of lots have received bids which fall under 50% of the Reserve Price fixed for the lot. As all these lots have been placed for auction in more than 5 E-auctions with no favorable results, the respective Divisional Managers have been asked to put such lots for sale through invitation of sealed tenders as prescribed under para 5 (c) of G.O. No. 24-For. dated 06.01.2016.

The results of such sale will be communicated to you in due course.

Managing Director West Bengal Forest Development

ours faithfully,

Corporation Ltd.

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