

Government of India
Ministry of Environment and Forests
(Wildlife Division)

Paryavaran Bhawan
CGO Complex, Lodhi Road
New Delhi-110003

F. No. 4-11/2007/WL-I

Date: 17th July 2013

The Secretary (Forests)
All States and Union Territories Governments

Sub: Disposal of the seized Red Sanders wood stock through State Handicrafts Development Corporation, Andhra Pradesh in consultation with the States and permission for export of limited quantity out of seized stocks of red sanders in log form – reg.

The undersigned is directed to refer the letter of this Ministry even number dated 26.09.2011 (copy enclosed) on the above subject and to the state that the said letter stands withdrawn with immediate effect and also to state that the State Government and Union Territories may deal with the forest produces in accordance with policies/rules/regulations/conventions in force and directions of the courts in this regard, as applicable.

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Encl: As above.

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1. All Principal Chief Conservators of Forests and Head of Forest Force
2. All the Chief Wildlife Wardens
3. The Inspector General of Forests (FP), MoEF
4. The DIG (SU), MoEF
5. PPS to ADG (WL)/IGF (WL)

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Dated: 26.09.2011.

All Principal Chief Conservator of Forests

Sub: Seized Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus santalinus*)-reg.

Sir,

As you may be aware that Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus santalinus*) is listed in Appendix II of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora (CITES) and its export/import is regulated by the provisions of CITES. Due to trade restrictions on this species, the illegally traded material of Red Sanders is frequently seized from various parts of India. The Ministry had taken following policy decision concerning the disposal of seized Red Sanders wood

“...for making use of the seized Red Sanders wood to allot to the local artisans through the Andhra Pradesh Handicrafts Development Corporation, Hyderabad with a direction that the material should not be sold/auctioned to private parties. However, after making the value addition through local artisans, the sale of value added products has to be carried out strictly under the control/coordination of the same Handicraft Corporation/PSU involved.”

Therefore, it is requested that in compliance to the above decision, any seized material of Red Sanders (*Pterocarpus santalinus*) lying with the State/Union Territory Government should be sent to Andhra Pradesh Handicrafts Development Corporation, Hyderabad. It may also be kindly noted that international trade of Red Sanders is regulated by the provisions of CITES and presently any trade from India is banned until further orders.

Yours faithfully,

P. Srivastava
(Prakriti Srivastava)

Deputy Inspector General (Wildlife)

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All Chief Wildlife Wardens

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21/11/2011
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