

Revenue (1897) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 124

DATED 25th Feb 1897

[Despatch Abstract.]

Sandalwood Transit Rules.

Approving the ^{draft}~~draft~~ for the North Coimbatore Division and ordering them to be published as modified by Govt in the Fort St. George and the Coimbatore District Gazette.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

FURTHER PAPERS.

~~C.O.~~ G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.	G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
2862/577 60 1892 7-4-97							

Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 613

From The Board of Revenue
Land Revenue
Forest Branch

Order

No. 577

Dated 17 December 1896

Received 21 January 1897

Registered 22

Enclosures 2

Spare copies

SUBJECT.

Subm. to Govt. with remarks
for approval, revised Landal-
wood Transit Rules for North
Coimbatore Divn.

BACK PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.
	149		21-2-96
	140		9-3-98
	182		1-5-96

FURTHER PAPERS.

G.O.	No.	Department.	Date.

BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE), FOREST No. 577, 17TH DECEMBER 1896.

29
Government {1897} of Madras.
REVENUE.

Recd.

Regd.

1897.

Enclosures

Spare copies

G.O., No. 124, 25th February 1897.

FEBRUARY.

- each stamp shown.
3. The same pass can be used against the village officials and forest subordinates bought off.
4. I have little doubt that a large sum is annually from the Government revenue by the stringent transit rules introduced for

30

No. 124, REVENUE, 25TH FEBRUARY 1897.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 577, dated 17th December 1896 :—

Read—again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 57, dated 24th January 1894.

ABSTRACT.—Reviewing the inspection report of Mr. J. W. Cherry, Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, on the forests of the Northern Division of the Coimbatore district.

Read—again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 78, dated 12th February 1895.

ABSTRACT.—Recording, with remarks, inspection notes of the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, on the North Coimbatore forests.

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest Mis. No. 905, dated 28th June 1895 :—

Read—the following letter from H. BRADLEY, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated 28th March 1895, No. 3975 :—

[Reference—Paragraph 7 of Board's Proceedings, dated 24th January 1894, Forest No. 57 and paragraph 7 of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th February 1895, Forest No. 78.]

In reply to the above, I have the honour to inform you that I consider it most necessary to introduce special transit rules for the protection of sandalwood in the forest tracts of my Northern Division, and I would make them as stringent as possible. In fact, if it were possible, I should not consider it any great hardship to the ryots if Government were to declare sandalwood to be a monopoly on these hills. It is a monopoly in the neighbouring Province of Mysore and to all interests and purposes Mysore and these hills are one.

2. The quantity of sandalwood standing fully preserved as a cloak for cutting freely in is for a contractor to come forward and buy village, to cut those trees and obtain a pass if The contractor then proceeds to cut as much serves, and if detected and detained by the police removing his sandalwood, the pass is produced stumps are pointed out in the fields or the pits in and it becomes very difficult to charge the as been cleaned and cut into billets, it can

land is limited, but it is carefully The procedure

31

No. 124, REVENUE, 25TH FEBRUARY 1897.

be likely to interfere much with the freedom of action of the honest owners of fields in which sandalwood trees stand, as under present arrangements it is not probable that they get more than a very trifling sum for any trees which may be cut in their fields.

Endorsement by J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 11th April 1895, No. 579.

Forwarded.

It is very necessary that stringent measures should be adopted for the protection of the sandalwood in the uplands of North Coimbatore, and the matter has been referred to more than once in my inspection notes.

I do not think that the monopoly policy can be adopted.

2. If the transit rules proposed in Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 732, dated 30th November 1894, are approved, I believe very effectual protection may be afforded, and it is doubtful whether any special rules for sandalwood will then be needed.

3. A cadastral survey of these uplands is very much required, and I trust that the matter may be taken up in connection with the Salem hill surveys referred to in Government Order, No. 834, Revenue, dated 23rd November 1894.

Resolution—Forest No. 905, dated 28th June 1895.

The question of framing special rules for the protection of sandalwood in the North Coimbatore division will await the receipt of orders on the rules which have been proposed for the Salem district and which are now before Government.

2. In the meantime paragraph 3 of the Conservator's endorsement will be communicated to the Superintendent, Revenue Survey, who will be requested to state if the survey of the uplands in question can be arranged for at an early date. It is believed that a survey of the hill villages is now in progress in Coimbatore.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Coimbatore.
" Superintendent, Revenue Survey.

Read—also the following letter from H. BRADLEY, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary in the fields missioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated 20th October 1896, Ref. on wood has been cleaned and cut into have belonged to each stamp shown

3. The same pass can be used in the village officials and forest surveyor the Salem district in Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 905, dated 28th June

4. I have little doubt that wing alterations are necessary before the most stringent transit rules introduced to see the most protection or what is left. They would not

32

No. 124, REVENUE, 25TH FEBRUARY 1897.

permit *enroute* when required it cannot matter to Government how it is transported and it would be less harassing to *bona fide* owners if the route were left to their option.

(c) In rule 6 it would be advisable to eliminate the words "and at all subsequent stations," &c., down to "past which the sandalwood is taken" and to substitute the words "and at the last station on the route, the name of which will be specified on the permit." As the permit must always be produced on demand, intermediate checking would be unnecessary and only harassing.

(d) I suggest that the column "time allowed" may be omitted, as it is rendered valueless by the foot-note allowing two months for transit. If this column is to be of any value, the time should be limited to a fortnight which would be ample time for the sandalwood to be removed from any part of the scheduled area or if more time were required, an extension should be obtained from the District Forest-officer. It is the licensee who makes out his own license in Form II and he naturally would prescribe the maximum to which he is entitled.

(e) It is prescribed in the last paragraph of the rule 6 that "no permit shall be demanded outside the scheduled area except at a checking station." This paragraph would render the rules nearly valueless in this district unless a very large scheduled area extending down to the railway was established. Sandalwood might be taken out at night by head-loads collected at a depôt just outside the scheduled area and then carted openly to some railway station along any road. As it would be harassing to honest traders to have to make the scheduled area cover the railways, I suggest that this paragraph be omitted from the rules and that certain routes (enclosed) be prescribed along which no sandalwood should be moved outside the scheduled area, unless with the permission in writing of the District Forest-officer. Any sandalwood found being exported along any other route could then be detained pending enquiry. There would be no hardship in this, as the routes prescribed are those along which it would be natural for *bona fide* traders to carry wood, and if it were required for any reason to transport it by another route, the permission of the District Forest-officer could be obtained.

2. I enclose a map showing the scheduled area marked by a violet line and with the names of the checking stations marked in red ink.

I also enclose schedules A, B, C and D and a printed copy of the rules showing the alterations I have proposed.

ENCLOSURES 3.

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 30th Octob, Ref. on Cur. No. 1635.

Forward!

Resolution—Forest No. 577, dated 17th Decem

In his Inspection notes on the North C Proceedings first read above, the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, has been commending sandalwood trees

BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE), FOREST No. 577, 17TH DECEMBER 1896.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE (LAND REVENUE.)

READ—again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 57, dated 24th January 1894.

ABSTRACT.—Reviewing the inspection report of Mr. J. W. Cherry, Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, on the forests of the Northern Division of the Coimbatore district.

READ—again Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 78, dated 12th February 1895.

ABSTRACT.—Recording, with remarks, inspection notes of the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, on the North Coimbatore forests.

READ—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest Mis. No. 905, dated 28th June 1895:—

Read—the following letter from H. BRADLEY, Esq, Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated 28th March 1895, No. 3975:—

[Reference—Paragraph 7 of Board's Proceedings, dated 24th January 1894, Forest No. 57 and paragraph 7 of Board's Proceedings, dated 12th February 1895, Forest No. 78.]

In reply to the above, I have the honour to inform you that I consider it most necessary to introduce special transit rules for the protection of sandalwood in the forest tracts of my Northern Division, and I would make them as stringent as possible. In fact, if it were possible, I should not consider it any great hardship to the ryots if Government were to declare sandalwood to be a monopoly on these hills. It is a monopoly in the neighbouring Province of Mysore and to all interests and purposes Mysore and these hills are one.

2. The quantity of sandalwood standing on patta land is limited, but it is carefully preserved as a cloak for cutting freely in the Government forests. The procedure is for a contractor to come forward and buy a certain number of trees in a certain village, to cut those trees and obtain a pass from the monigar to cover their removal. The contractor then proceeds to cut as much as he can get from the Government reserves, and if detected and detained by the police or a forest subordinate on the road removing his sandalwood, the pass is produced and if the locality is inspected, the stamps are pointed out in the fields or the pits from which the roots have been excavated, and it becomes very difficult to charge the man with theft, as after the sandalwood has been cleaned and cut into billets, it cannot well be said how many billets may have belonged to each stamp shown.

3. The same pass can be used again and again, of course, with the connivance of the village officials and forest subordinates on the hills who, no doubt, have to be bought off.

4. I have little doubt that a considerable quantity of sandalwood is stolen annually from the Government reserves and should be very glad to see the most stringent transit rules introduced for the protection of what is left. They would not

be likely to interfere much with the freedom of action of the honest owners of fields in which sandalwood trees stand, as under present arrangements it is not probable that they get more than a very trifling sum for any trees which may be cut in their fields.

Endorsement by J. W. CHERRY, Esq., Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 11th April 1895, No. 579.

Forwarded.

It is very necessary that stringent measures should be adopted for the protection of the sandalwood in the uplands of North Coimbatore, and the matter has been referred to more than once in my inspection notes.

I do not think that the monopoly policy can be adopted.

2. If the transit rules proposed in Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 732, dated 30th November 1894, are approved, I believe very effectual protection may be afforded, and it is doubtful whether any special rules for sandalwood will then be needed.

3. A cadastral survey of these uplands is very much required, and I trust that the matter may be taken up in connection with the Salem hill surveys referred to in Government Order, No. 834, Revenue, dated 23rd November 1894.

Resolution—Forest No. 905, dated 28th June 1895.

The question of framing special rules for the protection of sandalwood in the North Coimbatore division will await the receipt of orders on the rules which have been proposed for the Salem district and which are now before Government.

2. In the meantime paragraph 3 of the Conservator's endorsement will be communicated to the Superintendent, Revenue Survey, who will be requested to state if the survey of the uplands in question can be arranged for at an early date. It is believed that a survey of the hill villages is now in progress in Coimbatore.

(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Coimbatore.
" Superintendent, Revenue Survey.

READ—also the following letter from H. BRADLEY, Esq., Collector of Coimbatore, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle), dated 20th October 1896, Ref. on Cur. No. 773-Forest:—

With reference to Board's Proceedings, Forest Mis. No. 905, dated 28th June 1895, I have the honour to request that rules may be promulgated for the transit of sandalwood similar to those sanctioned for the Salem district in Board's Proceedings, Forest No. 242, dated 1st June 1896.

I consider, however, that the following alterations are necessary before they are adopted in this district:—

(a) I propose that, under rule 5 the permit in Form II should be in triplicate instead of in duplicate, the third copy being forwarded to the District Forest-officer. In this way the District Forest-officer having notice of the issue of the permit and the movement of the sandalwood would be able to keep a check over the owner and see that the permit is recovered by the tannadhar.

(b) I propose that the name of the checking station should be substituted for "route" in Forms I and II. As long as the sandalwood is taken past some checking station, to be named in the permit and the man in charge is prepared to show his

First

Return

Despa

permit enroute when required it cannot matter to Government how it is transported and it would be less harassing to *bona fide* owners if the route were left to their option.

(c) In rule 6 it would be advisable to eliminate the words "and at all subsequent stations," &c., down to "past which the sandalwood is taken" and to substitute the words "and at the last station on the route, the name of which will be specified on the permit." As the permit must always be produced on demand, intermediate checking would be unnecessary and only harassing.

(d) I suggest that the column "time allowed" may be omitted, as it is rendered valueless by the foot-note allowing two months for transit. If this column is to be of any value, the time should be limited to a fortnight which would be ample time for the sandalwood to be removed from any part of the scheduled area or if more time were required, an extension should be obtained from the District Forest-officer. It is the licensee who makes out his own license in Form II and he naturally would prescribe the maximum to which he is entitled.

(e) It is prescribed in the last paragraph of the rule 6 that "no permit shall be demanded outside the scheduled area except at a checking station." This paragraph would render the rules nearly valueless in this district unless a very large scheduled area extending down to the railway was established. Sandalwood might be taken out at night by head-loads collected at a depot just outside the scheduled area and then carted openly to some railway station along any road. As it would be harassing to honest traders to have to make the scheduled area cover the railways, I suggest that this paragraph be omitted from the rules and that certain routes (enclosed) be prescribed along which no sandalwood should be moved outside the scheduled area, unless with the permission in writing of the District Forest-officer. Any sandalwood found being exported along any other route could then be detained pending enquiry. There would be no hardship in this, as the routes prescribed are those along which it would be natural for *bona fide* traders to carry wood, and if it were required for any reason to transport it by another route, the permission of the District Forest-officer could be obtained.

2. I enclose a map showing the scheduled area marked by a violet line and with the names of the checking stations marked in red ink.

I also enclose schedules A, B, C and D and a printed copy of the rules showing the alterations I have proposed.

ENCLOSURES 3.

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, dated Coimbatore, 30th October 1896, Ref. on Cur. No. 1635.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 577, dated 17th December 1896.

In his inspection notes on the North Coimbatore Division, printed in the Proceedings first read above, the Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle, brought to notice the illicit removal of sandalwood from certain tracts in that division, and suggested that the areas containing sandalwood trees should be protected under the transit rules. The Board, having called for a report from the Collector as to the propriety of introducing the rules, was informed in reply that it was most necessary to introduce special transit rules. The Conservator, however, expressed a doubt as to the necessity for any special rules, if the general transit rules then under the consideration of Government were sanctioned. The rules for the protection of sandalwood ought to be much more stringent than those for ordinary timber and agreeing with the Collector in this view, the Board directed that the question of framing rules might be deferred until receipt of the orders of Government on the rules proposed for Salem. These

rules having since been sanctioned, the Collector submits, with his letter read above, draft rules for his Northern Division on the model of the Salem rules, but with certain alterations.

2. The Forest Member has had an opportunity of personally discussing the draft rules with the Collector and has to offer the following remarks:—

(1) There seems to be no objection to the Collector's alteration (a) and it may be adopted.

(2) As regards the proposed alteration (b) there appears to be no advantage in adopting it. In the case of wood from Government land (Form I), the officer granting the permit will naturally suit the convenience of the purchaser, and in the case of wood from private lands, the owner or his agent makes out the permit and may be left to choose the route most convenient to himself. The proposed alteration is therefore unnecessary.

(3) The proposed alteration (c) is undesirable as the permit may be in force outside a scheduled area in which case it cannot be demanded save at checking stations.

(4) The alteration proposed in item (d) is unnecessary. It is preferable that some limit of time should be fixed rather than that a permit should run for ever, and the proposal seems to have been made under the mistaken impression that two months was the minimum permissible. As a fortnight is considered to be an ample allowance in Coimbatore, the two months' time entered at the foot of Form II may be reduced accordingly.

The foot-note prescribes that the permission of the District Forest-officer or other authorised officer has to be obtained to exceed the prescribed limit of time.

(5) The omission proposed under item (e) would practically have the effect of doing away with all distinction between scheduled and unscheduled areas. The correct method of securing the object aimed at is to enlarge the scheduled area, and in submitting the Salem rules it has been pointed out (*vide* paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, Forest, Mis. No. 1569, dated 30th November 1894) that there is no objection to doing this in the case of sandalwood. The scheduled area may therefore be revised so as to include the whole district to the north of the main railway line and east of the Pódanúr-Méttupálaiyam line, and the Nilgiri Railway. As it is important to recover the original permit at the first checking station, an additional column must be opened in the way-permit headed "Route to be followed within the scheduled area."

(6) In rule 1 the word "Coimbatore" should be substituted for "Salem" and the words "from or to the Mysore territories" omitted.

(7) The routes shown in the Collector's schedule B, and the Madras Railway between Coimbatore and the district boundary, and between Erode and the district boundary will be added to those shown in the Collector's schedule A. The Collector's schedules C and D will become schedules B and C and the words "inside, &c.," "outside, &c.," in the latter schedule will be omitted.

3. The rules as revised with schedules and forms with reference to the foregoing remarks will be submitted to Government for approval.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department. ✓

" Collector of Coimbatore.

" Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle.

Copy to other Conservators.

Erd. P. Seetharam.

APPENDIX.

Draft of rules to regulate the transport of sandalwood in the Coimbatore District.

Under sections 35 and 36 of the Madras Forest Act (V of 1882), His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to make the following rules for the regulation of sandalwood in transit within the district of Coimbatore.

Preamble.

1. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, or export sandalwood from, the Coimbatore District, except by the routes specified in schedule A appended and unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4.

Import and export of sandalwood from and to the Mysore territories.

2. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, export sandalwood from, or move sandalwood within, the area specified in schedule B appended, without a permit as specified in rule 4.

Transit of sandalwood within specified areas.

3. It shall not be lawful to move sandalwood into any of the towns specified in schedule C unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4 and without reporting it for examination at one of the checking stations specified in that schedule and adjoining the town in question.

Import of sandalwood into towns.

4. In the case of sandalwood from Government land, the permit shall be a printed one in Form I appended; in the case of sandalwood from private lands expressly notified by the Collector from time to time in the District Gazette, the permit shall be a printed one in Form II appended and supplied by the District Forest-officer free of charge; and in the case of sandalwood from all other private lands and from foreign territory, the permit may be printed or written and shall also be in Form II.

Forms of permits.

A permit in Form III appended shall be granted in exchange for Form I or II at the first checking station on the route.

5. Permits in Form I shall be issued in triplicate and shall have all the columns filled up by a duly authorized officer who shall sign and date each part, hand over the original to the purchaser, send the duplicate to the officer in charge of the forest referred to therein and keep the triplicate attached to the book as a counterfoil for record in his office.

Issue of permits.

Permits in Form II (whether printed or written) shall be in triplicate and shall have the columns filled up by the owner or his authorized agent; the original shall be handed over to the person authorized to remove the sandalwood, the duplicate shall be forwarded to the District Forest-officer and the triplicate shall be kept as a counterfoil for at least six months from the date of issue and shall be produced for inspection at any time within that period on the application of any Forest-officer not under the rank of Forester.

Permits in Form III shall be in duplicate, the original shall be handed over in exchange for the original in Form I or II and the duplicate retained.

6. The permits referred to in the preceding rules shall, in the case of imported sandalwood and sandalwood for export, be produced with the sandalwood for examination at any station which may be notified from time to time by the

Check of permits.

Collector in the District Gazette as a checking station and past which the sandalwood may be taken; and in the case of sandalwood in transit the permit shall be produced anywhere within the limits of the scheduled areas when demanded by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer and at the checking station nearest to the locality of felling and at all subsequent stations notified from time to time by the Collector in or outside the scheduled areas and past which the sandalwood is taken; provided that it shall not be lawful to take any sandalwood off or to pass from any road or river on which a checking station has been placed with intention to evade the production of the sandalwood at a checking station.

The sandalwood shall be examined at the first tannah on the authorized route between the hours of 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. only; and if such sandalwood arrive at the first tannah after 6 P.M. it shall be lawful to detain it till 6 A.M. for examination.

The officer in charge of the tannah shall recover the permit in Form I or II and grant a way-permit in Form III after satisfying himself that such sandalwood actually comes from the

locality stated in the permit and agrees in kind and quantity with that shown therein. The quantity of sandalwood under transit must not be greater than that entered in the permit, and if it is less, the same permit must not be used again to cover the deficiency. This way-permit shall protect such sandalwood along the route to its destination and shall be produced and endorsed at all subsequent tannahs on that route. If the officer in charge of the tannah refuse to grant a way-permit in Form III, he shall detain the sandalwood and the permit in Form I or II and shall report the case for the orders of the District Forest-officer.

No demand shall be made for the production of a permit outside the scheduled areas, except at the checking stations.

7. The ownership of sandalwood imported or exported for trade purposes or moved within protected areas shall be indicated by a property mark which shall be impressed upon the property before its removal.

Use and registration of property marks.

All such property marks shall be registered at the District Forest-office. It shall be lawful for the District Forest-officer to require from any person, either when presenting a property mark for registration, or at any subsequent time, information relative to locality, quantity of wood available, period of felling, agency, routes, depôts or destination and such other details regarding his method of felling, trading or working as the District Forest-officer may require. He may refuse registration and may cancel the registration of any property mark if the information required is not given, or if he considers that such property mark cannot easily be distinguished from a Government mark or from a property mark used by another person, or if he has reason to believe that the person using the property mark is or has been concerned in, any illegal practice with regard to sandalwood or for other good and sufficient reason which shall in every case be placed upon record by the District Forest-officer and submitted for the approval of the Collector. A certificate of registration in Form IV appended shall be granted by the District Forest-officer to the person registering.

Date up to which the registration of property-marks has effect.

8. Registration and each renewal of registration shall hold good from the date thereof until the 1st April following the date of registration.

Exemption of small quantities of sandalwood carried by bona fide travellers for their own use.

9. Nothing contained in any of these rules shall apply to sandalwood not exceeding 5 lb. in weight carried by bona fide travellers for their own use.

10. Any person who moves, or exports or

Penalty clause.

imports sandalwood in contravention of rules 1, 2 or 3, refuses to deliver up a permit or to produce a way-permit when demanded or to subject sandalwood for examination in accordance with the provision of rule 6, or transports a greater quantity of sandalwood than that entered in the permit or uses the same permit more than once in contravention of rule 6, or being a holder of land within any area described in schedule B, refuses to give or cause to be given a permit to cover sandalwood grown on his land and exported from such area, or gives or causes to be given a permit not containing the prescribed particulars, or one not in the form prescribed, or refuses to produce for inspection on the application of a Forest-officer not below the rank of a Forester the duplicate of a permit issued in accordance with rule 5, or neglects in contravention of rule 7 to mark his sandalwood with a property mark duly registered at the District Forest office, shall be liable to imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or to fine which may extend to Rs. 200 or both.

SCHEDULE A.

Routes for import and export to and from the Coimbatore District.

Kollegal to Muddur via Sivasamudram.
" to Chamrajnagar via Elandur.
" to Mysore.

The local fund road between Bhavani and Erode.
" " Satyamangalam and Coimbatore via Pulimpatti.
" " Satyamangalam and Erode via Gopichettipalayam.

The Madras Railway between Coimbatore and the district boundary and between Erode and the district boundary.

SCHEDULE B.

The scheduled area bounded by—

North.—The Cauvery river from Sivasamudram to Alambadi.

East.—The Cauvery river from Alambadi to the Madras Railway line.

South.—The Madras Railway line to Podanur Junction.

West.—The Nilgiri district boundary to its junction with Mysore and thence the Mysore boundary up to the starting point at Sivasamudram.

The Madras Railway line and the Nilgiri Railway line.

SCHEDULE C.

Towns.	Checking stations.
Kollegal	The Range office.
Sivasamudram	The River bridge.
Satyamangalam	The Range office.
Kothamangalam	The Tannah station.
Gopichettipalayam	Do.
Bhavani	Do.
Andiyur	Do.
Erode	Junction of the Satyamangalam- Erode and Bhavani-Erode roads.
Satyamangalam	The river bridge.
Pulimpatti	
Coimbatore	
Gopichettipalayam	

Print in next page
Annexed as usual

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

1896.

Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

MADRAS.

Printed January th.

Proceedings, Forest No. 577, 17th
December 1896.

Submitting to Government, with remarks, for
approval, revised Sandalwood Transit Rules for
North Coimbatore Division.

No. 182, REVENUE, 1st MAY 1896.

19

SCHEDULE C.

Towns.					Checking stations.
Salem	...	...	...	...	Suramangalam railway station gate. Hastampatti. Ammappettai. Dadagapatti. Viranam.
Namakkal	...	...	...	...	The Forest Range office.
Tirupatūr	...	...	...	...	Do.
Atur	...	...	...	...	Do.

No. FORM I. Permit No.

Permit for the export
transport of sandalwood from Government forests.

Under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act.

[illegible]

Date	Can
------	-----

Signature of the issuing officer
Designation.

DUPLICATE.

.(To be sent to the officer in charge of the Forest.)

Form I.

Permit No.

Under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act.

1. Name and residence of the person to whom the permit is granted.
2. Quantity.
3. Description of sandalwood.
4. Fees paid, if any.
5. Marks, if any, on the sandalwood.
6. From what forest or depot removed.
7. To what place removed.
8. Route.
9. Time allowed.
10. Remarks.

Date	Cam
11/1/78	11/1/78
11/2/78	11/2/78
11/3/78	11/3/78
11/4/78	11/4/78
11/5/78	11/5/78
11/6/78	11/6/78
11/7/78	11/7/78
11/8/78	11/8/78
11/9/78	11/9/78
11/10/78	11/10/78
11/11/78	11/11/78
11/12/78	11/12/78
11/13/78	11/13/78
11/14/78	11/14/78
11/15/78	11/15/78
11/16/78	11/16/78
11/17/78	11/17/78
11/18/78	11/18/78
11/19/78	11/19/78
11/20/78	11/20/78
11/21/78	11/21/78
11/22/78	11/22/78
11/23/78	11/23/78
11/24/78	11/24/78
11/25/78	11/25/78
11/26/78	11/26/78
11/27/78	11/27/78
11/28/78	11/28/78
11/29/78	11/29/78
11/30/78	11/30/78

Signature of the issuing officer.
Designation.

**COUNTERFOIL TO BE RETAINED
BY THE ISSUING OFFICER.**

Form I.

Permit No.

Under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act.

1. Name and residence of the person to whom the permit is granted.
2. Quantity.
3. Description of sandalwood.
4. Fees paid, if any.
5. Marks, if any, on the sandalwood.
6. From what forest or depot removed.
7. To what place removed.
8. Route.
9. Time allowed.
10. Remarks.

Date	Case
10/1/19	10/1/19
10/2/19	10/2/19
10/3/19	10/3/19
10/4/19	10/4/19
10/5/19	10/5/19
10/6/19	10/6/19
10/7/19	10/7/19
10/8/19	10/8/19
10/9/19	10/9/19
10/10/19	10/10/19
10/11/19	10/11/19
10/12/19	10/12/19
10/13/19	10/13/19
10/14/19	10/14/19
10/15/19	10/15/19
10/16/19	10/16/19
10/17/19	10/17/19
10/18/19	10/18/19
10/19/19	10/19/19
10/20/19	10/20/19
10/21/19	10/21/19
10/22/19	10/22/19
10/23/19	10/23/19
10/24/19	10/24/19
10/25/19	10/25/19
10/26/19	10/26/19
10/27/19	10/27/19
10/28/19	10/28/19
10/29/19	10/29/19
10/30/19	10/30/19
10/31/19	10/31/19

Signature of the issuing officer.
Designation.

(To be filled in by the Tannahdar.)

Date and number of way-permit (Form III)
in exchange for the permit.

Date.	Number.	Quantity.
1	2	3

Signature of Tannahdar.

Comd'g file 15
be retained by
the person
issuing the
permit

DUPLICATE TO BE RETAINED
BY THE ISSUING OFFICER.
to be retained by
the person
issuing the
permit

Form II.
Permit No.

Under section 35 of the Madras
Forest Act.

1. Name and residence of the person to whom the permit is granted.
2. Quantity.
3. Description of sandalwood.
4. Marks, if any, on the sandalwood.
5. From what forest or land removed.
6. To what place removed.
7. Route.
8. Time allowed.
9. Remarks.

Date
Station
Signature of the person
granting the permit.

Note.—The time to be entered in column 8 shall not exceed two months, except with the special permission of the District Forest-officer or other authorized officer.

a fortnight

(Repeat here what is written in duplicate)

Form II.
Permit No.

PERMIT for the ^{import} ~~export~~ ^{transport} of sandalwood from private lands or from foreign territory.
Under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act.

Name and residence of the person to whom the permit is granted.	Quantity.	Description of sandalwood.	Marks, if any, on the sandalwood.	From what forest or land removed.	To what place removed.	Route.	Time allowed.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

Date
Station
Signature of the person granting the permit.
Note.—The time to be entered in column 8 shall not exceed two months, except with the special permission of the District Forest-officer or other authorized officer.

a fortnight

No. 182, REVENUE, 1ST MAY 1896.

23.

(To be filled in by the Tannahdar.)

Date and number of way-permit (Form III) in exchange for the permit.

Date.	Number.	Quantity.
1	2	3

Signature of Tannahdar.

FORM III.

COUNTERFOIL TO BE RETAINED BY THE ISSUING OFFICER IN DUPLICATE DIGLOT.

Under rule 4, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

No.

Way-permit.

Permit for the transport of sandalwood from

Tannah brought on permit No. —, dated —, 189 —.

189 .

1. Quantity.

2. Description.

3. Marks. *to be followed within the scheduled area*

4. Time allowed.

5. Remarks.

Date

Station

Signature of Tannahdar.

This way-permit is granted subject to the rules under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act (No. V of 1892) and must be produced on demand by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer.

FORM III.

Under rule 4, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Way-permit.

Permit for the transport of sandalwood from

permit No. —, dated —, 189 .

Quantity.

Description.

Marks.

Time allowed.

Remarks.

1

2

3

4

5

6

Date

Station

Signature of Tannahdar.

This way-permit is granted subject to the rules under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act (No. V of 1892) and must be produced on demand by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer.

FORM IV.

COUNTERFOIL TO BE RETAINED BY THE ISSUING OFFICER IN DUPLICATE DIGLOT.

Under rule 7, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Certificate of Registration.

1. Name of person registering.

2. Description of device or property mark.

3. Date of registration or renewal.

4. Remarks.

Certified that —, residing

at — has registered the above

device or property mark for the official year ending 31st March 189 .

District Forest office, 189 . }

District Forest-officer.

FORM IV.

Under rule 7, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Certificate of Registration.

Name of person registering.	Description of device or property mark.	Date of registration or renewal.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4

Certified that —, residing

at — has registered the above

device or property mark for the official year ending 31st March 189 .

District Forest office, 189 . }

District Forest-officer.

U
Govt. of {1896} Madras.
REVENUE.

Issued

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., No. 182, 1st May 1896.

MAY.

Sandalwood.

The revised draft rules for regulating the
transit of — in the Salem district approved,
subject to certain remarks and modifications.



27
Note for the Registering
Clerk

Please say
whether any enclosures
in addition to the
two stitched with the
G.O. No. 124 of 25th
Feb 1897 have been
received from the
Board's office and
why the no. of encs
received is not marked
on the docket of the
current in the above
to.

Bmm
5.11.97

(Only under separate
cover and not in the
main body of the letter)

C. 22
P. 22

in the way permit to
"Route to"

Sheldon: in case C. S. S.

Print 23/2/97

23/2/97

(2) The word 'uplicate' in the para here from the end of rule 10 is a mistake for 'uplicate'

(3) The Southern & Western boundaries of the area shown in schedule B require to be defined more precisely.

C. 22/2/97.
R. 22/2/97

Read C. 613 of 97

H. No 38

Order No 124 of 25th Feb 1897.

The Court agrees with the Board and approve of the draft rules submitted to it subject to the following remarks and modifications:

(1) In the side-heading of rule 1, the words "from and to the Mysore territories" have been wrongly entered and will be omitted.

(2) The forms to accompany the rules have not been printed with the B.P. or separately submitted to Govt. ~~intended~~ referred to para 3. It is however observed that the alterations proposed in the Salem forms to adapt them to the requirements of the Coimbatore district are:

(1) the printing of Form II in triplicate instead of in duplicate
(2) and the reduction of the time specified in the footnote thereof from two months to a fortnight
and (3) the opening of a new column in the way permitted by

"Route to"

route to be followed within the scheduled area". These alterations will now be carried out in the Govt Office and the forms as altered appended to the rules.

2 The rules as modified with reference to the foregoing remarks are printed as an appo* to the present order and will be published in the Fort St. George and the Coimbatore District Gazettes:

DA
10/11/17
Mysr.

The Board of Rev. L.R.
Supt. Govt Press
Appo*
Board's rules as revised
Des-10-3-97

note

As already indicated above the proposed rules for Coimbatore are the same as those approved for Salem, the only alterations introduced being in rule 5 and in the forms. These are not of an important nature and may be submitted for approval.

20
3

any of sandalwood under transit must be greater than the amount of sandalwood under transit, and if it is less, the same permit must not be used again to cover the deficiency. The permit shall protect such sandalwood along the route to its destination and shall be produced and endorsed at all subsequent tanneries at the route of the car in charge of the permit.

2. The Forest Member has had an opportunity of personally discussing the draft with the Collector and has to offer the following remarks:—

- (1) There seems to be no objection to the Collector's alteration (a) and it may be adopted.
- (2) As regards the proposed alteration (b) there appears to be no advantage in adopting it. In the case of wood from Government land (Form I), the officer granting the permit will naturally suit the convenience of the purchaser, and in the case of wood from private lands, the owner or his agent makes out the permit and may be left to choose the route most convenient to himself. The proposed alteration is therefore unnecessary.
- (3) The proposed alteration (c) is undesirable as the permit may be in force outside a scheduled area in which case it cannot be demanded save at checking stations.
- (4) The alteration proposed in item (d) is unnecessary. It is preferable that some limit of time should be fixed rather than that a permit should run for ever, and the proposal seems to have been made under the mistaken impression that two months was the minimum permissible. As a fortnight is considered to be an ample allowance in Coimbatore, the two months' time entered at the foot of Form II may be reduced accordingly.

The foot-note prescribes that the permission of the District Forest-officer or other authorised officer has to be obtained to exceed the prescribed limit of time.

(5) The omission proposed under item (e) would practically have the effect of doing away with all distinction between scheduled and unscheduled areas. The correct method of securing the object aimed at is to enlarge the scheduled area, and in submitting the Salem rules it has been pointed out (*vide* paragraph 2 of Board's Proceedings, Forest, Mis. No. 1569, dated 30th November 1894) that there is no objection to doing this in the case of sandalwood. The scheduled area may therefore be revised so as to include the whole district to the north of the main railway line and east of the Pódanúr-Méttupálaiyam line, and the Nilgiri Railway. As it is important to recover the original permit at the first checking station, an additional column must be opened in the way-permit headed "Route to be followed within the scheduled area."

(6) In rule 1 the word "Coimbatore" should be substituted for "Salem" and the words "from or to the Mysore territories" omitted.

(7) The routes shown in the Collector's schedule B, and the Madras Railway between Coimbatore and the district boundary, and between Erode and the district boundary will be added to those shown in the Collector's schedule A. The Collector's schedules C and D will become schedules B and C and the words "inside, &c.," "outside, &c.," in the latter schedule will be omitted.

3. The rules as revised with schedules and forms with reference to the foregoing remarks will be submitted to Government for approval.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
" Collector of Coimbatore.
" Conservator of Forests, Southern Circle.
Copy to other Conservators.

Rules to regulate the transport of sandalwood in the Coimbatore District.

Under sections 35 and 36 of the Madras

Forest Act (V of 1882), His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to make the following rules for the regulation of sandalwood in transit within the district of Coimbatore.

Preamble.

1. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, or export sandalwood from, the Coimbatore District, except by the routes specified in schedule A appended and unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4.

Import and export of sandalwood from and to the Mysore territories.

2. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, export sandalwood from, or move sandalwood within, the area specified in schedule B appended, without a permit as specified in rule 4.

Transit of sandalwood within specified areas.

3. It shall not be lawful to move sandalwood into any of the towns specified in schedule C unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4 and without reporting it for examination at one of the checking stations specified in that schedule and adjoining the town in question.

Import of sandalwood into towns.

4. In the case of sandalwood from Government land, the permit shall be a printed one in Form I appended; in the case of sandalwood from private lands expressly notified by the Collector from time to time in the District Gazette, the permit shall be a printed one in Form II appended and supplied by the District Forest-officer free of charge; and in the case of sandalwood from all other private lands and from foreign territory, the permit may be printed or written and shall also be in Form II.

Forms of permits.

A permit in Form III appended shall be granted in exchange for Form I or II at the first checking station on the route.

5. Permits in Form I shall be issued in triplicate and shall have all the columns filled up by a duly authorized officer who shall sign and date each part, hand over the original to the purchaser, send the duplicate to the officer in charge of the forest referred to therein and keep the triplicate attached to the book as a counterfoil for record in his office.

Issue of permits.

Permits in Form II (whether printed or written) shall be in triplicate and shall have the columns filled up by the owner or his authorized agent; the original shall be handed over to the person authorized to remove the sandalwood, the duplicate shall be forwarded to the District Forest-officer and the triplicate shall be kept as a counterfoil for at least six months from the date of issue and shall be produced for inspection at any time within that period on the application of any Forest-officer not under the rank of Forester.

Permits in Form III shall be in duplicate, the original shall be handed over in exchange for the original in Form I or II and the duplicate retained.

6. The permits referred to in the preceding rules shall, in the case of imported sandalwood and sandalwood for export, be produced with the sandalwood for examination at any station which may be notified from time to time by the Collector in the District Gazette as a checking station and past which the sandalwood may be taken; and in the case of sandalwood in transit the permit shall be produced anywhere within the limits of the scheduled areas when demanded by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer and at the checking station nearest to the locality of felling and at all subsequent stations notified from time to time by the Collector in or outside the scheduled areas and past which the sandalwood is taken; provided that it shall not be lawful to take any sandalwood off or to pass from any road or river on which a checking station has been placed with intention to evade the production of the sandalwood at a checking station.

Check of permits.

The sandalwood shall be examined at the first tannah on the authorized route between the hours of 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. only; and if such sandalwood arrive at the first tannah after 6 P.M. it shall be lawful to detain it till 6 A.M. for examination.

The officer in charge of the tannah shall recover the permit in Form I or II and grant a way-permit in Form III after satisfying himself that such sandalwood actually comes from the

if it is less, the same permit must not be used again to cover the deficiency. The permit shall protect such sandalwood along the route to its destination and shall be produced and endorsed at all subsequent tannahs on that route. If the officer in charge of the tannah refuse to grant a way-permit in Form III, he shall detain the sandalwood and the permit in Form I or II and shall report the case for the orders of the District Forest-officer.

No demand shall be made for the production of a permit outside the scheduled areas, except at the checking stations.

7. The ownership of sandalwood imported or exported for trade purposes or moved within protected areas shall be indicated by a property mark which shall be impressed upon the property before its removal.

Use and registration of property marks.

All such property marks shall be registered at the District Forest-office. It shall be lawful for the District Forest-officer to require from any person, either when presenting a property mark for registration, or at any subsequent time, information relative to locality, quantity of wood available, period of felling, agency, routes, depôts or destination and such other details regarding his method of felling, trading or working as the District Forest-officer may require. He may refuse registration and may cancel the registration of any property mark if the information required is not given, or if he considers that such property mark cannot easily be distinguished from a Government mark or from a property mark used by another person, or if he has reason to believe that the person using the property mark is or has been concerned in, any illegal practice with regard to sandalwood or for other good and sufficient reason which shall in every case be placed upon record by the District Forest-officer and submitted for the approval of the Collector. A certificate of registration in Form IV appended shall be granted by the District Forest-officer to the person registering.

Date up to which the registration of property-marks has effect.

8. Registration and each renewal of registration shall hold good from the date thereof until the 1st April following the date of registration.

Exemption of small quantities of sandalwood carried by bonâ fide travellers for their own use.

9. Nothing contained in any of these rules shall apply to sandalwood not exceeding 5 lb. in weight carried by bonâ fide travellers for their own use.

10. Any person who moves, or exports or imports sandalwood in contravention of rules 1, 2 or 3, refuses to deliver up a permit or to produce a way-permit when demanded or to subject sandalwood for examination in accordance with the provision of rule 6, or transports a greater quantity of sandalwood than that entered in the permit or uses the same permit more than once in contravention of rule 6, or being a holder of land within any area described in schedule B, refuses to give or cause to be given a permit to cover sandalwood grown on his land and exported from such area, or gives or causes to be given a permit not containing the prescribed particulars, or one not in the form prescribed, or refuses to produce for inspection on the application of a Forest-officer not below the rank of a Forester the duplicate of a permit issued in accordance with rule 5, or neglects in contravention of rule 7 to mark his sandalwood with a property mark duly registered at the District Forest office, shall be liable to imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or to fine which may extend to Rs. 200 or both.

Penalty clause.

SCHEDULE A.

Routes for import and export to and from the Coimbatore District.

Kollegal to Muddur via Sivasamudram.
" to Chamrajnagar via Elandur.
" to Mysore.
The local fund road between Bhavani and Erode.
" " " Satyamangalam and Coimbatore via Pulimpatti.
" " " Satyamangalam and Erode via Gopichettipalayam.

The Madras Railway between Coimbatore and the district boundary and between Erode and the district boundary.

The area bounded by—
North.—The Cauvery river from Sivasamudram to Alambadi.
East.—The Cauvery river from Alambadi to the Madras Railway line.
South.—The Madras Railway line.
West.—The Nilgiri district boundary to its junction with Mysore and thence the Mysore boundary up to the starting point at Sivasamudram.
 The Madras Railway line and the Nilgiri Railway line.

SCHEDULE C.

Towns.	Checking stations.
Kollegal	The Range office.
Sivasamudram	The River bridge.
Satyamangalam	The Range office.
Kothamangalam	The Tannah station.
Gopichettipalayam	Do.
Bhavani	Do.
Andiyur	Junction of the Satyamangalam- Erode and Bhavani-Erode roads.
Erode	The river bridge.
Satyamangalam	
Puliampatti	
Coimbatore	
Gopichettipalayam	

ORDER—No. 124, Revenue, dated 25th February 1897.

Forest No. 38.

The Government agrees with the Board and approves of the draft rules submitted by it subject to the following remarks and modifications:—

(1) In the side heading of rule 1, the words "from and to the Mysore territories" have been wrongly entered and will be omitted.

(2) The word "duplicate" in the fourth line from the end of rule 10 is a mistake for "triplicate."

(3) The southern and western boundaries of the area shown in schedule B require to be defined more precisely.

(4) The forms to accompany the rules have not been printed with the Board's Proceedings or separately submitted to Government with reference to paragraph 3. It is, however, observed that the alterations proposed in the Salem forms to adapt them to the requirement of the Coimbatore district are (1) the printing of Form II in triplicate instead of in duplicate, (2) the reduction of the time specified in the footnote thereto from two months to a fortnight, and (3) the opening of a new column in the way permit headed "Route to be followed within the scheduled area." These alterations will now be carried out in the Government office and the forms as altered appended to the rules.

2. The rules as modified with reference to the foregoing remarks are printed as an appendix to the present order and will be published in the Fort St. George and the Coimbatore District Gazettes.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
 Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).
 " the Superintendent, Government Press, with appendix as revised.

Exd. C. M. Thumbuswamy.
 20 Copies.

[Appendix.

No. 124, REVENUE, 25TH FEBRUARY 1897.

APPENDIX.

Draft of rules to regulate the transport of sandalwood in the Coimbatore District.

Under sections 35 and 36 of the Madras Forest Act (V of 1882), His Excellency the Governor of Fort St. George in Council is pleased to make the following rules for the regulation of sandalwood in transit within the district of Coimbatore.

Preamble.

1. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, or export sandalwood from, the Coimbatore District except by the routes specified in schedule A appended and unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4.

Import and export of sandalwood.

2. It shall not be lawful to import sandalwood into, export sandalwood from, or move sandalwood within, the area specified in schedule B appended, without a permit as specified in rule 4.

Transit of sandalwood within specified areas.

3. It shall not be lawful to move sandalwood into any of the towns specified in schedule C unless accompanied by a permit as specified in rule 4 and without reporting it for examination at one of the checking stations specified in that schedule and adjoining the town in question.

Import of sandalwood into towns.

4. In the case of sandalwood from Government land, the permit shall be a printed one in Form I appended; in the case of sandalwood from private lands expressly notified by the Collector from time to time in the District Gazette, the permit shall be a printed one in Form II appended and supplied by the District Forest-officer free of charge; and in the case of sandalwood from all other private lands and from foreign territory, the permit may be printed or written and shall also be in Form II.

Forms of permits.

A permit in Form III appended shall be granted in exchange for Form I or II at the first checking station on the route.

5. Permits in Form I shall be issued in triplicate and shall have all the columns filled up by a duly authorized officer who shall sign and date each part, hand over the original to the purchaser, send the duplicate to the officer in charge of the forest referred to therein and keep the triplicate attached to the book as a counter-foil for record in his office.

Issue of permits.

Permits in Form II (whether printed or written) shall be in triplicate and shall have the columns filled up by the owner or his authorized agent; the original shall be handed over to the person authorized to remove the sandalwood, the duplicate shall be forwarded to the District Forest-officer and the triplicate shall be kept as a counterfoil for at least six months from the date of issue and shall be produced for inspection at any time within that period on the application of any Forest-officer not under the rank of Forester.

Permits in Form III shall be in duplicate, the original shall be handed over in exchange for the original in Form I or II and the duplicate retained.

6. The permits referred to in the preceding rules shall, in the case of imported sandalwood and sandalwood for export, be produced with the sandalwood for examination at any station which may be notified from time to time by the Collector in the District Gazette as a checking station and past which the sandalwood may be taken; and in the case of sandalwood in transit the permit shall be produced anywhere within the limits of the scheduled areas when demanded by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer and at the checking station nearest to the locality of felling and at all subsequent stations notified from time to time by the Collector in or outside the scheduled areas and past which the sandalwood is taken; provided that it shall not be lawful to take any sandalwood off or to pass from any road or river on which a checking station has been placed with intention to evade the production of the sandalwood at a checking station.

Check of permits.

The sandalwood shall be examined at the first tannah on the authorized route between the hours of 6 A.M. and 6 P.M. only; and if such sandalwood arrive at the first tannah after 6 P.M. it shall be lawful to detain it till 6 A.M. for examination.

The officer in charge of the tannah shall recover the permit in Form I or II and grant a way-permit in Form III after satisfying himself that such sandalwood actually comes from the

for Salem, the only alteration introduced being in rule 5 and in the forms. These are not of

locality stated in the permit and agrees in kind and quantity with that shown therein. The quantity of sandalwood under transit must not be greater than that entered in the permit, and if it is less, the same permit must not be used again to cover the deficiency. This way-permit shall protect such sandalwood along the route to its destination and shall be produced and endorsed at all subsequent tannahs on that route. If the officer in charge of the tannah refuse to grant a way-permit in Form III, he shall detain the sandalwood and the permit in Form I or II and shall report the case for the orders of the District Forest-officer.

No demand shall be made for the production of a permit outside the scheduled areas, except at the checking stations.

7. The ownership of sandalwood imported or exported for trade purposes or moved within protected areas shall be indicated by a property mark which shall be impressed upon the property before its removal.

Use and registration of property marks.

All such property marks shall be registered at the District Forest-office. It shall be lawful for the District Forest-officer to require from any person, either when presenting a property mark for registration, or at any subsequent time, information relative to locality, quantity of wood available, period of felling, agency, routes, depôts or destination and such other details regarding his method of felling, trading or working as the District Forest-officer may require. He may refuse registration and may cancel the registration of any property mark if the information required is not given, or if he considers that such property mark cannot easily be distinguished from a Government mark or from a property mark used by another person, or if he has reason to believe that the person using the property mark is or has been concerned in, any illegal practice with regard to sandalwood or for other good and sufficient reason which shall in every case be placed upon record by the District Forest-officer and submitted for the approval of the Collector. A certificate of registration in Form IV appended shall be granted by the District Forest-officer to the person registering.

Date up to which the registration of property-marks has effect.

8. Registration and each renewal of registration shall hold good from the date thereof until the 1st April following the date of registration.

Exemption of small quantities of sandalwood carried by *bona fide* travellers for their own use.

9. Nothing contained in any of these rules shall apply to sandalwood not exceeding 5 lb. in weight carried by *bona fide* travellers for their own use.

10. Any person who moves, or exports or imports sandalwood in contravention of rules 1, 2 or 3, refuses to deliver up a permit or to produce a way-permit when demanded or to subject sandalwood for examination in accordance with the provision of rule 6, or transports a greater quantity of sandalwood than that entered in the permit or uses the same permit more than once in contravention of rule 6, or being a holder of land within any area described in schedule B, refuses to give or cause to be given a permit to cover sandalwood grown on his land and exported from such area, or gives or causes to be given a permit not containing the prescribed particulars, or one not in the form prescribed, or refuses to produce for inspection on the application of a Forest-officer not below the rank of a Forester the triplicate of a permit issued in accordance with rule 5, or neglects in contravention of rule 7 to mark his sandalwood with a property mark duly registered at the District Forest-office, shall be liable to imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or to fine which may extend to Rs. 200 or both.

Penalty clause.

SCHEDULE A.

Routes for import and export to and from the Coimbatore District.

Kollegal to Muddrus via Sivasamudram.
 " to Chamrajnagar via Elandur.
 " to Mysore.
 The local fund road between Bhavani and Erode.
 " " " Satyamangalam and Coimbatore via Pulimpatti.
 " " " Satyamangalam and Erode via Gopichettipalayam.
 The Madras Railway between Coimbatore and the district boundary and between Erode and the district boundary.

SCHEDULE B.

The scheduled area bounded by—

North.—The Cauvery river from Sivasamudram to Alambadi.

East.—The Cauvery river from Alambadi to the Madras Railway line.

South.—The Madras Railway line to Pódanúr junction.

West.—The Madras Railway line from Pódanúr junction to Méttupálaiyam; the Nilgiri Railway line to the Nilgiri district boundary; thence that boundary to its junction with Mysore and thence the Mysore boundary up to the starting point at Sivasamudram.

SCHEDULE C.

Towns.

Kollegal

Sivasamudram

Ammamet

Andiyur

Satyamangalam

Checking stations.

The Range Office.

The River Bridge.

The tannah station. Vide G.O.No. 822, dated 17-3-1917.

-do-

The Range Office.

FORM III.

COUNTERFOIL TO BE RETAINED BY THE ISSUING OFFICER IN DUPLICATE DIGLOT.

Under rule 4, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

No.

Way-permit.

Permit for the transport of sandalwood from _____
Tannah brought on permit No. _____, dated _____, 189 .

1. Quantity.
2. Description.
3. Marks.
4. Route to be followed within the scheduled area.
5. Time allowed.
6. Remarks.

Date

Station

Signature of Tannahdar.

Date

Station

Signature of Tannahdar.

This way-permit is granted subject to the rules under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act (No. V of 1882) and must be produced on demand by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer.

FORM III.

Under rule 4, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Way-permit.

Permit for the transport of sandalwood from _____ Tannah brought on permit No. _____, dated _____, 189 .

Quantity.	Description.	Marks.	Route to be followed within the scheduled area.	Time allowed.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4	5	6

Date

Station

Signature of Tannahdar.

This way-permit is granted subject to the rules under section 35 of the Madras Forest Act (No. V of 1882) and must be produced on demand by any Revenue, Forest or Police officer.

FORM IV.

COUNTERFOIL TO BE RETAINED BY THE ISSUING OFFICER IN DUPLICATE DIGLOT.

Under rule 7, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Certificate of Registration.

1. Name of person registering.
2. Description of device or property mark.
3. Date of registration or renewal.
4. Remarks.

Certified that _____, residing at _____ has registered/renewed the above device or property mark for the official year ending 31st March 189 .

District Forest office, 189 .

District Forest-officer.

FORM IV.

Under rule 7, section 35, Madras Forest Act.

Certificate of Registration.

Name of person registering.	Description of device or property mark.	Date of registration or renewal.	Remarks.
1	2	3	4

Certified that _____, residing at _____ has registered/renewed the above device or property mark for the official year ending 31st March 189 .

District Forest office, 189 .

District Forest-officer.

14.2.24 II ✓

First copy sent to Press.

Returned for signature.

Despatched in print.

NUMBER OF COPIES
REQUIRED. { Order complete.
Letter only.
Order complete with Letter.

READ AGAIN G.O., No.
139

DATED

CURRENT No.

CLOSURES to C. No.

OF GOVERNMENT

OF GOVERNMENT.

WITH DITTO.

NOT FILLED UP, BEING MEANT FOR DISPATCH
IN ORIGINAL.

N.B. -

A = Print in full.

B = Not to be printed.

P = Print abstract only.

Q = Print heading only.