

## **THIRUVANANTHAPURAM FOREST DIVISION**

### **e-AUCTION NOTIFICATION**

**No.G4-62981/2024**

**17.05.2025**

It is hereby notified for the general information of the public that felling, collection and removal of marked and enumerated 77 trees standing dangerously at Peppara dam in Paruthippally range of Thiruvananthapuram Forest Division are sold through e-auction shown in schedule below through MSTC ([www.mstcecommerce.com](http://www.mstcecommerce.com)) subject to the terms and conditions notified in Government Gazette No.29/25.12.12 and as per Pro(5)26274/12 dtd 11.12.2012 Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Protection) Thiruvananthapuram and G.O.(Rt)No.141/2021/F&WLD dtd 6.05.2021 of Kerala Forest Department, Pro(4)29243/13 Dated 21.08.14 of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Protection) Thiruvananthapuram published in Kerala gazette No.36 Vol.111 Dated 16.09.2014, Pro(4)26243/13 Dated 19.09.15 of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Protection) Thiruvananthapuram published in Kerala gazette No.40 Vol.1V Dated 13.10.2015, Pro(4)26243/13 Dated 01.08.15 of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Protection) Thiruvananthapuram published in Kerala gazette No.34 Vol.1V Dated 25.08.2015 and other conditions prevalent in Forest Department. Those who wish to participate may remit an amount of Rs.25000/- as EMD before e-auction through MSTC limited. Successful bidders will have to remit 35% of the bid amount on the e-auction date itself through e-payment. Successful bidders will have to remit the balance value, GST, FDT, IT and other taxes prevailing at the time of e-auction within the stipulated time limit.

e-auction documents and connected records are available in the website: [www.mstcecommerce.com](http://www.mstcecommerce.com). Contact number: 0471-2529137

The date of e-auction is on 26.05.25. If the auction cannot be conducted on the proposed date, it will be conducted on 10.06.2025 and 19.06.2025

The Earnest Money Deposit should be submitted on e-payment/e-treasury/DD/MSTC through online banking of SBI or through NEFT for other banks. For submission of e-auction visit the website [www.mstcecommerce.com](http://www.mstcecommerce.com)

Intending persons may ensure the quantity and quality of materials put up for e-auction before the commencement of the same and no complaints will be entertained after the auction.

### Schedule

Place where trees standing	LOT No.	Species	Timber( M3)	Firewood(MT)	EMD
Near Peppara dam in Paruthippally range of Thiruvananthapuram Forest Division	DFOTVM/1/2025- 26	Hardwood species	14.5676	7.052	25000/-- --
	DFOTVM/2/2025- 26	Softwood Species	20.113	11.8055	25000/-

### **Sale Conditions**

1. Intending Tenderers/Bidders should deposit an Earnest Money Deposit of Rs.25000/- as online / Demand Draft drawn in favour of The Divisional Forest Officer, Thiruvananthapuram from any Nationalized Bank for participating in the e-auction.
2. The successful Tenderers / Bidders should remit 35% of the bid value through e-treasury system within 7 working days of issuance of acceptance letter if the balance amount is greater than one lakh.. If the successful bidder fails to remit this amount within the prescribed time, the EMD will be forfeited to Government and the lots will be re-auctioned at his risk and loss.
3. The successful Tenderers/Bidders have to pay 1/3<sup>rd</sup> balance value, GST (as per Rule), FDT, Income Tax and other taxes if any at the rate prevailing from time to time within 15 days of issuance of acceptance letter.
4. The e-auction will be on lump-sum basis for the right of felling, collection and removal of entire marked and enumerated tree species only from the above area mentioned in the schedule hereto the area of which has been surveyed and demarcated on the ground.
5. Intending tenderers/bidders may inspect the trees themselves of the quality and quantity of the produce before participating in the auction. Complaints if any, regarding the quality and quantity etc. received after the e-auction will not be entertained.
6. If the value fetched in the resale/re-e-auction is less than that obtained in the original e-auction, the difference between them together with all incidental expenditure to fixing up of the resale including notification charges as assessed by the Divisional Forest Officer concerned will be recovered from the defaulting Tenderers/Bidders through legal means including Revenue Recovery Act in force.
7. The participating Tenderers/Bidders only have the rights for the felling, collection and removal of marked and enumerated standing trees and they have no right for felling, collection and removal of unmarked softwood trees as well as Hardwood trees like, Rosewood, Sandal, Irul etc, if any.

8. The successful Tenderers/Bidders should execute a bounden agreement on a stamp paper worth Rs.200/- after completion of e-auction.
9. The confirmation of the e-auction sale will ordinarily be communicated to the party concerned as early as possible. Within 15 days from the date of issue of acceptance letter, the successful tenderers/Bidders should execute an agreement on a stamp paper worth rupees equal to an amount, 0.1% of the total Sale value, after remitting 1/3<sup>rd</sup> of the balance sale value and 5% Forest Development Tax, GST (as per Rule) and Income Tax at the rate in force and security deposit of 10% for the total sale value. In case of failure to remit the amount within 15 days extension shall be granted by the Divisional Forest Officer for 15 days subject to the realization of 12% penal interest. Further extension for 15 days shall be granted by the Divisional Forest Officer subject to the realization of 24% penal interest. In case of failure to remit the amount within the extended period, further extension for 15 days by the Chief Conservator of Forests, Souther circle , Kollam and 15 days by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ( Forest Management) shall be granted subject to the realization of penal interest at 24% and 48% respectively. But all the extension periods mentioned above will be within the original contract period.
10. The balance 2/3<sup>rd</sup> sale value should be remitted in two equal installments by the successful Tenderers/Bidders. The first installment should be remitted within 15 days from the date of agreement and the second installment within 30 days from the date of agreement or within the contract period whichever is earlier. If the successful Tenderers/Bidders fails to remit the above amount within the period mentioned above, extension for 15 days by realizing penal interest at 12% by the Divisional Forest Officer concerned, extension for 30 days by realizing penal interest at 24% by the Chief Conservator of Forests concerned and further extension for 30 days by the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests concerned by realizing penal interest at 48% shall be granted respectively. But all the above extended periods will be within the original contract period.
11. The period of contract will be 30 days (thirty days) from the date of execution of Agreement. No extension of the period of contract shall normally be granted on any ground. Under very special circumstances, for good and sufficient reasons, the Divisional Forest Officer may take necessary decisions for grant extension of time.

12. The license for the removal of timber and firewood collected from the coupe should be issued only on the basis of the prevailing norms.
13. The contractor or his agent shall enter into the coupe only after getting the written permission from the Divisional Forest Officer, Thiruvananthapuram or Range Forest Officer, Paruthippally
14. The contractor shall at all time during the currency of the contract, keep the boundaries cleared to a width of 2 meters and keep the cairns intact.
15. The contractor will be liable for any damage or loss caused to other trees in the nearby plantations, if any or in the reserve.
16. The Divisional Forest Officer will give permission to keep the timber and other produce outside the coupe, if requested by the contractor at his own risk. But, if the collected timber/firewood are not removed within the agreement period due to unforeseen situation or climate, a ground rent @Rs.250/- per hectare will be recovered from the tenderer/bidder concerned.
17. The tenderer/bidder will be liable for all the illegal activities occurred within 0.4 km perimeter of the above mentioned area. Any such activities noticed should be reported to the forest officials by the contractor, otherwise the contract will be cancelled.
18. The security deposit will be refunded only after the successful completion of the Agreement conditions after producing the clearance certificates of Sales Tax, Income Tax, Agricultural Income Tax etc... If there is any liabilities outstanding in this respect to the government, that will be adjusted from the security deposit of the contractor.
19. All common conditions regarding sale coupes are also applicable to this e-auction. Further details can be had from the office of the undersigned or from the office of the Range Forest Officer, Paruthippally on all working days

Those who interested to participate in the e-auction should be registered buyer online with MSTC Limited. Conditions for e-auction will be available at the website [www.mstcecommerce.com](http://www.mstcecommerce.com)

For more details ,contact

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