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**OFFICE OF THE CONSERVATOR OF FORESTS,
MUZAFFARABAD CIRCLE**



No. 3979-84

Dated: 10-12-18

To,

Mr. Justice (R) Zia Perwez,
Former Judge Supreme Court of Pakistan
& High Court of Sindh
Trustee-TI- Pakistan.

**Sub: Violation of the AJ&K Public Procurement Rules 2017,
Forest Department Muzaffarabad's Tender Notice for Items.**

Refer: Your Office letter No.TL 18/0412/IA dated 4th December, 2018.

Dear Sir,

It is submitted that this office is highly grateful for pointing out the violation (as per your observation) in tender as per AJK Public Procurement Rules 2017.

In this regard the following circumstances / ground realities may kindly be considered;-

1. The given quantities of timber extraction are based on preliminary estimates. The estimated figures are not the final ones. There is always a difference of $\pm 10\%$ in the estimates.
2. During the felling of trees, some trees may completely be damaged, from which no mercantile timber can be extracted, which is considered as waste wood and remains within the forest.
3. The tenders invited for the extraction of timber in shape of logs and scants from the forest area, scants are sawn from logs from such inaccessible areas where road approach is not available, and carried as head load, therefore the rates for scants are always on higher side as compared to logs. Scants are extracted from such forest areas having no road access and are always in less quantities as compared to logs.
4. On the completion of contract, if there is any discrepancy which may fall within the ambit of rule 42 (c) (iv) of the above mentioned rules, the repeat order can be issued. Generally more than 15% increase or decrease is not expected in any case. Therefore the observation inferred may kindly be consigned to the record.


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Cc to the following for information please.

1. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, Azad Govt. of the State of Jammu & Kashmir for consideration of worthy Chief Secretary.
2. Private Secretary to Secretary Forests, AKLASC, Wildlife & Fisheries Azad Govt. of the State of Jammu & Kashmir.
3. Private Secretary to Managing Director AJK PPRA, Azad Govt. of the State of Jammu & Kashmir.
4. Chief Conservator of Forests, Azad Govt. of the State of Jammu & Kashmir.
5. Master file.