

**PROVISIONAL ANSWER KEY**

Paper: The Kerala Forest Code and Departmental Rules - Procedure - III PAPER  
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Question1:-The Kerala Forest Code Volume I was first published in the year

- A:-1971
- B:-1972
- C:-1975
- D:-1976

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question2:-Which volume of the Kerala Forest Code deal with the accounts and procedure of Forest Department

- A:-Volume I
- B:-Volume II
- C:-Volume III
- D:-Volume IV

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question3:-An area of Forest set aside to be felled or otherwise treated in a single year is called

- A:-Coupe
- B:-Compartment
- C:-Block
- D:-Felling Series

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question4:-Among the following officers who is not a "Disburser" as per para 2.1.1. of the code

- A:-Divisional Forest Officer
- B:-Range Forest Officer
- C:-Deputy Range Officer
- D:-Depot Officer

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question5:-A contract in which the contractor agrees to execute a complete work with all its contingencies in accordance with the drawings and specifications for a fixed sum is called

- A:-Petty contract
- B:-Running
- C:-Lumpsum contract
- D:-Rate contract

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question6:-Which of the following is not an "Original work"

- A:-Forest settlement and demarcation
- B:-Forest surveys
- C:-Timber extraction works
- D:-Regeneration works

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question7:-As per Kerala Forest Code who will be assistant to Chief Conservator of Forests (Now. PCCF) in all non-technical matters

- A:-Conservator of forests
- B:-Financial assistant
- C:-Finance officer
- D:-Administrative officer

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question8:-Who is responsible for scrutiny of all proposals involving financial commitment submitted by the head of the department to government

- A:-Finance officer
- B:-Administrative officer
- C:-Senior superintendent
- D:-Senior Administrative Asst.

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question9:-What is the least frequency of tours to be conducted by the conservator for forest insisting every division under his jurisdiction to conduct detailed inspection?

- A:-Once in a month
- B:-Once in two months
- C:-Once in 3 months
- D:-Once in four months

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question10:-Which among the following is not a matter which the divisional forest officer shall keep the Dist. Collector informed

- A:-Proposal for reservation of forests
- B:-proposals for taking up new plantations
- C:-Implementation of legal enactments and rules
- D:-Recovery of outstandings by Revenue recovery proceedings

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question11:-Even though forest department is empowered to carry out most of the civil works, bridges above a span of certain limit is not supposed to be constructed by the department. Which is the limit

- A:-10 feet
- B:-20 feet
- C:-25 feet
- D:-30 feet

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question12:-A Watcher engaged for fire protection comes under which of the classification of establishment

- A:-Permanent establishment
- B:-Temporary establishment
- C:-Temporary Work-charged establishment
- D:-Contingent establishment

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question13:-Entertainment of temporary work-charged establishment requires the sanction from

- A:-Government
- B:-Chief Conservator of forests
- C:-Conservator of forests
- D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question14:-A Register of temporary establishment has to be maintained by

- A:-Every Drawing Officer
- B:-Head of Office
- C:-Head of the Department
- D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question15:-Which of the following post is included in the Kerala Forest Subordinate Service

- A:-Range Forest Officer
- B:-Section Forest Officer
- C:-Asst. Conservator of Forests
- D:-Junior Superintendent

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question16:-As per the Kerala Forest Code which category of officers require the written permission of their superior to avail holidays or casual leave either within or outside jurisdiction

- A:-Administrative and Executive Establishment
- B:-Executive and Protective Establishments
- C:-Protective and Ministerial Establishments
- D:-Administrative and Ministerial Establishments

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question17:-Which is the form used for transfer of charge of ranges

- A:-Form 26
- B:-Form 28
- C:-Form 29
- D:-Form 30

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question18:-The maximum period allowed for reporting the defects/deficiency in works, stores or property by the relieving officer after taking charge is

- A:-One week
- B:-Two weeks
- C:-Three weeks
- D:-One month

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question19:-A maximum period of \_\_\_\_\_ is allowed to Range officers with in which they shall inspect all reserves, plantations and other land at the disposal of government and report irregularities if any existed or committed prior to the date of taking charge

- A:-One month
- B:-Two months
- C:-Three months
- D:-Four months

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question20:-In the case of transfer of charge of beats the maximum period allowed for joint perambulation is

- A:-7 days
- B:-10 days
- C:-14 days
- D:-30 days

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question21:-Which among the following officer is not supposed to correspond with other department officers or government on official business except on routine matters?

- A:-Chief conservator of forests
- B:-Conservator of forests
- C:-Divisional forest officers
- D:-Range forest officer

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question22:-Covers addressed to the conservator of forests except in name cover can be opened by his authorised subordinate. Who among the following is his authorised subordinate?

- A:-Superintendent
- B:-Head accountant
- C:-Clerk in charge of Tappal
- D:-Deputy Range officer

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question23:-Who among the following is not competent to order the introduction of new forms/registers/returns in forest department

- A:-Accountant general
- B:-Government
- C:-Conservator of forests
- D:-Head of the Department

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question24:-Who is the officer responsible for keeping the maps in safe custody in a divisional forest office as per the forest code

- A:-Draughtsman
- B:-Manager
- C:-Head accountant
- D:-Section clerk concerned

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question25:-Notifications in Government Gazette, Forest sheets, shall be filed and preserved in which of following officers

- A:-Chief conservator and conservator officer
- B:-Divisional forest office and range office
- C:-Chief conservator, conservator and divisional forest officer
- D:-In all the above officer

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question26:-The register in form No. 28 used in the department is the register of

- A:-Forest offences
- B:-Properly seized
- C:-Monthly abstract of forest offences
- D:-Stock of timber

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question27:-Among the following, who is not an officer authorised to sign plaints and written statements in cases of civil nature against forest department in any civil court in the state

- A:-Forest Range Officer
  - B:-Divisional Forest Officer
  - C:-Conservator of Forests
  - D:-Chief Conservator of forests
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question28:-Officers conducting monthly tours should draw up an advance tour programme and communicate to all concerned not later than \_\_\_\_\_ before the tour commences

- A:-3 days
  - B:-5 days
  - C:-7 days
  - D:-10 days
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question29:-The divisional forest officer shall conduct detailed inspection of all the range officers under him at least

- A:-once in a month
  - B:-once in three months
  - C:-once in six months
  - D:-once in a year
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question30:-All files relating to agreement executed during the year are scrutinized usually during the inspection in the \_\_\_\_\_ office.

- A:-Range
  - B:-Division
  - C:-Civil
  - D:-Depot
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question31:-Which is the form used for preparing inspection report of range officers

- A:-Form No. 104
  - B:-Form No. 105
  - C:-Form No. 106
  - D:-Form No. 107
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question32:-Divisional forest officers and all other officers of similar status are required to submit fortnightly tour diaries to the conservator of forests except one, who is to submit monthly diaries who is he

- A:-Wildlife Warden
  - B:-Principal, Kerala Forest School (Now SFTI)
  - C:-Working plan officer
  - D:-Silvicultural Research officer (Now DCF Research)
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question33:-The conservator of forests who is doing annual inspection of the division shall forward to inspection report to his superior within \_\_\_\_\_ of completion of the inspection.

- A:-7 days
  - B:-14 days
  - C:-a month
  - D:-2 months
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question34:-What is the name of the document to be prepared and kept in the division for forest areas, for which no working plan have been prepared

- A:-Range Journal
  - B:-Divisional Forest Journal
  - C:-Control Journal
  - D:-Reserve Book
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question35:-Register of Reserved forests has to be kept in which of the following office?

- A:-Divisional forest office
  - B:-Range office
  - C:-Conservator's office
  - D:-All the above offices
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question36:-The scale of the maps usually maintained in division and range prescribed in forest code is

- A:-1 cm = 108 m
  - B:-1 cm = 158 m
  - C:-1 cm = 168 m
  - D:-1 cm = 178 m
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question37:-The corrections in the State Forest Atlas has to be maintained?

- A:-Annually
  - B:-Once in 2 years
  - C:-Once in 5 years
  - D:-Once in 10 years
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question38:-The Annual plan of operations for a particular year should reach the head of the department on or before \_\_\_\_\_ of the previous year

- A:-31st March
  - B:-30th April
  - C:-30th June
  - D:-31st December
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question39:-Annual plan of operations once budgetted should not be altered or modified beyond \_\_\_\_\_ of the total out lay by the head of the department

- A:-10%
  - B:-25%
  - C:-20%
  - D:-25%
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

- Question40:-The primary responsibility for execution of the provisions in the Annual Plan of operations rest with  
A:-Range Forest Officer  
B:-Divisional Forest Officer  
C:-Conservator of Forest  
D:-Chief Conservator of Forests  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question41:-The National working plan code came into existence in the year  
A:-2010  
B:-2011  
C:-2012  
D:-2014  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question42:-As part of the preparation of preliminary working plan report, the working item conservator should ask the territorial conservator and DFO to submit a note on the operation of the current working plan at least \_\_\_\_\_ before the expiry of the current plan  
A:-six months  
B:-three months  
C:-one year  
D:-2 years  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question43:-The currency period of one approved working plan is \_\_\_\_\_ years.  
A:-3 years  
B:-5 years  
C:-7 years  
D:-10 years  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question44:-As per the National Working Plan Code, which chapter of Part I deals with forest fauna?  
A:-Chapter II A  
B:-Chapter II B  
C:-Chapter III  
D:-Chapter III A  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question45:-The number of mandatory working circles to be included in a workin plan as per the national working plan code is  
A:-four  
B:-five  
C:-six  
D:-seven  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question46:-What is the scale of management map to be prepared by the working plan officer  
A:-1:15,000  
B:-1:25,000  
C:-1:50,000  
D:-1:1,00,000  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question47:-Who is the authority to approve the working plan of a forest division  
A:-Chief conservator of forests  
B:-Principal Chief Conservator  
C:-Govt. of Kerala  
D:-Regional Chief Conservator of Forests - Govt. of India  
Correct Answer:- Option-D
- Question48:-Who is the authority to approve minor deviations from the prescriptions of a current working plan?  
A:-State Government  
B:-Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
C:-Chief Conservator of Forests  
D:-Conservator of forests  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question49:-When modern tools are used for enumeration, sampling intensity for preparation of working plan is  
A:-1%  
B:-2%  
C:-5%  
D:-10%  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question50:-Who is the officer designated to make entries in the control journal  
A:-Chief Conservator of Forests  
B:-Conservator of Forests  
C:-Divisional Forest Officer  
D:-Range Forest Officer  
Correct Answer:- Option-C
- Question51:-Form No. 59, 59A and 59B of the Forest Code are used for  
A:-Timber operations  
B:-Preparing estimates  
C:-Sale of forest produce  
D:-Disposal of articles  
Correct Answer:- Option-B
- Question52:-Estimates for works has to be submitted to the sanctioning authority in  
A:-Triplicate  
B:-Duplicate  
C:-Quadruplicate  
D:-Single  
Correct Answer:- Option-A
- Question53:-Revision of an estimate is necessitated when the expenditure is likely to exceed beyond \_\_\_\_\_ of the original estimate  
A:-20%  
B:-15%  
C:-10%  
D:-5%

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question54:-A Register of sanctioned estimates shall be maintained by

- A:-All officers submitting estimates
- B:-Sanctioning authority
- C:-Officers incurring expenditure
- D:-Office of all Gazetted rank of and above DFO.

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question55:-Enforcement of the terms of contract is the duty of

- A:-Range Forest Officer
- B:-Divisional Forest Officer
- C:-Every Forest Officer
- D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question56:-Who is the Forest Department is the lowest authority to accept any tender or make a contract for works

- A:-Chief Conservator of forests
- B:-Conservator of forests
- C:-Divisional forest officer
- D:-Range forest officer

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question57:-Who among the following officer has the power to sanction advances to contractors

- A:-Chief Conservator of Forests
- B:-Conservator of forests
- C:-Divisional Forest Officer
- D:-None of the above

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question58:-What is the maximum age of teak plantation in which marking and felling register need not be maintained during thinning if not otherwise ordered?

- A:-15 years
- B:-12 years
- C:-10 years
- D:-5 years

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question59:-What is the period within which a Depot Officer should acknowledge the receipt of timber received in form No. 12

- A:-24 Hrs
- B:-48 Hrs
- C:-7 days
- D:-14 days

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question60:-Who is responsible for the correctness of the entries recorded in the marking register

- A:-Beat Forest Officer
- B:-Section Forest Officer
- C:-Deputy Range Officer
- D:-Range Forest Officer

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question61:-Who is the authority to grant permits for the collection of timber or other forest produce free of charge or on concessional rates

- A:-Government
- B:-Principal Chief Conservator of forests
- C:-Conservator of forests
- D:-Divisional forest officer

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question62:-Register of buildings is to be maintained in form No 23 of

- A:-Kerala Forest Code
- B:-Kerala Financial Code
- C:-P.W.D. Code
- D:-Kerala Treasury Code

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question63:-Register of Ground Rent in form No 113 has to be maintained in which of the office given below :

- A:-Range office
- B:-Depot office
- C:-Both range and depot offices
- D:-Division, range and depot offices

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question64:-What is the deadline for submission of administration report of a forest division for a particular financial year ending 31st March?

- A:-Not later than 1st May
- B:-Not later than 1st June
- C:-Not later than 30th April
- D:-Not later than 31st May

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question65:-An expenditure incurred for improving the earning capacity of an existing under taking is called

- A:-Revenue expenditure
- B:-Establishment expenditure
- C:-Capital expenditure
- D:-Contingent expenditure

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question66:-What is the time limit for submission of replies to the inspection reports by Accountant General as per Forest Code.

- A:-2 weeks
- B:-one month
- C:-2 months
- D:-3 months

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question67:-Which is the form used for the register for recording objections communicated by the accountant general

- A:-Form 3 of Kerala Financial Code
- B:-Form 3 of Kerala Treasury Code
- C:-Form 4 of Kerala Financial Code

D:-Form 4 of Kerala Treasure Code

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question68:-Which is the form used for reporting monthly progress report of revenue by the Divisional Forest Officer?

A:-Form No. 95

B:-Form No. 96

C:-Form No. 97

D:-Form No. 98

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question69:-When is a receipt for cash issued in form no. 117A of the Kerala Forest Code

A:-When cash is received by range officer in range

B:-When cash is received by the manager in DFO's office

C:-When cash is received by the Divisional forest officer

D:-When cash is received by depot officer

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question70:-Departmental receipts of money, as a rule cannot be appropriated for departmental expenditure. Which among the following is an exemption to this rule?

A:-Refund of revenue by the Divisional Forest Officer

B:-Payment of advance Travelling Allowance

C:-Refund of EMD at the close of auction to unsuccessful bidders

D:-Release of security deposit to contractors

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question71:-When is a certificate of payment treated as voucher

A:-when a cash bill is not received for payment

B:-when payees receipt is not available

C:-when both the above occasions coming together

D:-when the amount paid is less than Rs. 1,000/-

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question72:-The form used for Range Officers cash book for revenue is in \_\_\_\_\_ of Forest Code

A:-Form 72 A

B:-Form 73A

C:-Form 72

D:-Form 73

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question73:-When is the revenue cash book of range/depot officers, usually closed and copy send to Divisional Forest Officer

A:-Weekly

B:-on 15th and last day of each month

C:-Last day of the month

D:-Financial year end

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question74:-Revenue receipt books are supplied by

A:-Chief Conservator of Forests

B:-Conservator of forests

C:-Stationary Department

D:-Superintendent of Govt. Press

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question75:-When the marking of trees are done by forester the measurements hour to be recorded in

A:-Marking register in Form No. 2

B:-Filed book in form No. 124

C:-Field Measurement book in form No. 84

D:-Stock register in Form No. 3

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question76:-What is the minimum size of blaze to be cut for marking trees for felling

A:-15 cm x 15 cm

B:-20 cm x 20 cm

C:-22 cm x 22 cm

D:-25 cm x 25 cm

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question77:-Monthly returns of timber to be submitted to the divisional forest office is in which of the following forms

A:-Form No. 5, 6, 8 and 9

B:-Form No. 3, 4, 5 and 6

C:-Form No. 4, 5, 6 and 8

D:-Form No. 6, 7, 8 and 9

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question78:-What is the time limit prescribed for revision of seigniorage rates for timber and other forest produce by government as per the forest code

A:-Yearly

B:-Once in two years

C:-Every five years

D:-No time limit prescribed

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question79:-When is the stock of timber etc of the Sale Depot verified

A:-When there is a transfer of change of depot officer

B:-At the time of half yearly inspection by the DFO

C:-As and when the superior officers / govt. directs

D:-At all the above circumstances

Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question80:-A register in Form No. 13 of the code to be maintained in every forest office is

A:-Auction Register

B:-STP Register

C:-Work Register

D:-Issue Register of Stores

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question81:-Who is responsible for the health of the elephants in the elephant camps of forest department as per forest code?

A:-Forest in-charge of the camp

B:-Range Forest Officer

- C:-Forest Veterinary Officer
- D:-Divisional Forest Officer
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question82:-What is the maximum period within which the Divisional Forest Officer should initiate proceedings under the Revenue Recovery Act against defaulters for releasing outstanding revenue?

- A:-Not later than 3 months from the date of default
- B:-Not later than 6 months from the date of default
- C:-Not later than 9 months from the date of default
- D:-Not later than 1 year from the date of default
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question83:-Among the following, which is not an initial record upon which the accounts of works are based

- A:-Muster Roll
- B:-Casual Labour Roll
- C:-Measurement Book
- D:-Work bill
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question84:-Which among the following cannot be classified under "Forest Deposits"?

- A:-Security deposit in cash by contractors
- B:-Deposits for works to be done
- C:-Sale proceeds of thondy seized
- D:-Sums due to contractors on closed works
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question85:-Which is the dead line for submission of supplementary accounts to Accountant General

- A:-1st June
- B:-10th April
- C:-20th May
- D:-31st March
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question86:-Sandal classified as "Vilayath Budh" will have one of the below said specification. Which is that?

- A:-Pieces weighing not less than 7.5 kg
- B:-Thoroughly sound billets weighing not less than 10 kg
- C:-Slightly inferior billets weighting from 5 kg to 10 kg
- D:-Billets having small knots or cracks weighing 2 kg to 5 kg
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question87:-As per the Kerala forest Code the officer diputed to conduct prosecution shall not be below the rank of a

- A:-Forest Watcher
- B:-Forest Guard
- C:-Forester
- D:-Deputy Ranger
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question88:-Which among the following records can be destroyed after 10 years?

- A:-Cash account books
- B:-Timber Stock register
- C:-Plantation journal
- D:-Work register
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question89:-Area of a Forest Beat should be so formed that one forest guard may be bale to round it in

- A:-5 days
- B:-7 days
- C:-10 days
- D:-14 days
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question90:-The register prescribed in the Kerala Forest Code to be maintain in different forest officers is listed in \_\_\_\_\_ of the code.

- A:-Appendix XIV
- B:-Appendix XV
- C:-Appendix XVI
- D:-Appendix XVII
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question91:-What is the frequency prescribed for inspection of Forest Station by the Range Forest Officer?

- A:-Once in a week
- B:-Once in two months
- C:-Once in a month
- D:-Once in three months
- Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question92:-The evaluation report of forest stations by the Range officer along with carbon copy of the General Diary has to be submitted to Divisional Officer Officer

- A:-Every week end
- B:-Last day of the month
- C:-Monthly before 15th of the next month
- D:-Fortnightly on 15th and last day of the month
- Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question93:-Which among the following need not be recorded in the General Diary of Forest Stations?

- A:-Wireless message received in the station
- B:-Complaints received in the forest station
- C:-Details of staff on leave
- D:-Details of departmental works going on in the station limit
- Correct Answer:- Option-D

Question94:-Forest stations came into existence in Kerala for the first time during the year

- A:-1986
- B:-1988
- C:-1990
- D:-1995
- Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question95:-The executive committee of the Vana Samrakshana Samithy will have \_\_\_\_\_ members.

- A:-9 elected and 3 ex-officio

- B:-6 elected and 3 ex-officio
- C:-9 elected and 2 ex-officio
- D:-6 elected and 2 ex-officio

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question96:-The appointment of the secretary of Vana Samrakshna Samithy is by the

- A:-Forest Range Officer
- B:-Conservator of forests
- C:-Divisional Forest Officer
- D:-Executive Committee

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question97:-What is the maximum number of house holds in a Vana Samrakshana Samithy?

- A:-350
- B:-365
- C:-360
- D:-370

Correct Answer:- Option-B

Question98:-Who is responsible for maintaining the minutes of the general body meeting of the VSS?

- A:-Forest Range Officer
- B:-Divisional Forest Officer
- C:-Secretary, VSS
- D:-President VSS

Correct Answer:- Option-C

Question99:-The VSS shall be entitled to \_\_\_\_\_ of the net revenue of the harvested forest produce from the plantation raised and protected by VSS under participatory forest management.

- A:-10%
- B:-15%
- C:-20%
- D:-25%

Correct Answer:- Option-A

Question100:-The final approval of the micro plan of the VSS is given by

- A:-The General Body of VSS
- B:-The Divisional Forest Officer
- C:-Executive Committee of VSS
- D:-Conservator of Forests

Correct Answer:- Option-D