## **CIRCULAR NO.16/2012**

Sub:- Commercial Tax Department – Price fixation of Plywood, Flush Door and Block Board- modified instruction issued-reg.

Ref:- 1. Circular No. 11/2009 dated 25.07.2009

- 2. Circular No. 24/2011 dated 15.11.2011
- 3. Govt. Letter No. 26246/B3/2011/TD dated 29.11.2011
- 4. Letter No. C2/7261/07/CT dated 30.11.2011,31.12.2011,31.01.2012, 29.02.2012, 31.03.2012, 30.04.2012 & 31.05.2012.

The floor rate of plywood, marine ply wood, flush door and block board were fixed as per the Circular read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above. Subsequently the trade representatives approached the Government and it was brought to notice that the floor rate fixed by the Department is too high when compared with the prevailing market rates. As per reference cited 3<sup>rd</sup> the Government directed to keep in abeyance the implementation of the Circular No. 24/2011. Accordingly, the Department had issued direction to all authorities concerned to keep the implementation of the said circular in abeyance until further orders vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> cited.

A committee was formed consisting of three Joint Commissioners and the committee heard the parties involved in this sector and also conducted field study on the above issue through the Intelligence Wing. On the basis of the above, the Committee recommended that the floor rate of Plywood shall be fixed at an enhanced rate of 30% of the value fixed by the Circular No. 11/2009. It was also recommended that a separate price fixation for marine plywood is not required, since the manufacture of marine plywood is very low in the State. Further floor rates have to be fixed for flush door and block board.

In the circumstances, considering the reports of the committees involved and in super-cession of the references cited above, the floor rates of plywood, flush door and block board are fixed as under.

| Items          | Variety | Rupees per square feet | Rupees per square metre |
|----------------|---------|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Plywood        | 18mm    | 14.07                  | 151.33                  |
|                | 15mm    | 12.26                  | 131.9                   |
|                | 12mm    | 11.04                  | 118.74                  |
|                | 10mm    | 9.43                   | 101.35                  |
|                | 8mm     | 8.01                   | 86.28                   |
|                | 6mm     | 7.15                   | 76.91                   |
|                | 4mm     | 5.81                   | 62.58                   |
|                | 3mm     | 4.97                   | 53.4                    |
| Flush Door     | 25mm    | 15.71                  | 169                     |
|                | 30mm    | 18.12                  | 195                     |
|                | 35mm    | 20.54                  | 221                     |
| Block<br>Board | 19mm    | 14.50                  | 156                     |
|                | 25mm    | 15.10                  | 162.5                   |
|                | 30mm    | 16.91                  | 182                     |

All officers are directed to ensure that plywood, flush door and block board consignments are not valued at lower values than those fixed above.

This order will take effect from 11.06.2012.