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## Sub:- Estt. VUDA – Proposals for a deputation of AD / DD Horticulture to VUDA to head the Urban Forestry Wing – reg.

In VUDA the Urban Forestry Division is being headed by a D.F.O. taken on deputation from Forest Department. Sri Ananda Mohan who was there as D.F.O. was repatriated to his parent department and relieved on 15-3-2001.

VUDA is currently involved in development of large number of prestigious tourism projects, where landscaping and greenery of the environs is a important activity. VUDA has also developed a number of parks in and around the city, like VUDA Park, Kailasagiri, Tenneti park etc., where lot of initiative and creativity is required to maintain the parks in a good manner. In addition, Hon'ble Chief Minister during his recent visit to Visakhapatnam has directed VUDA to take up beautification of Visakhapatnam Airport and the NH-5 which is passing through the city. Therefore the nature of work involves only Horticulture activities and does not involve any forestry work.

Therefore, it will be more appropriate to have a senior officer from Horticulture department who has good experience and knowledge in landscaping, horticulture works for heading the Urban Forestry division of the UDA.

Therefore, it is desirable to take services of AD/ DD Horticulture to work on deputation from Horticulture department. The Horticulturist should have sufficient exposure to parks maintenance and introduction of activities in the parks to attract more crowds.

The matter is placed before VUDA Board for approval of the deputation of AD / DD Horticulture to VUDA to head the Urban Forestry Division.

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