to dry for 2 weeks before use.

Durability: Properly treated posts can last for 6-7 years minimum or up to 10 years.

Warning: Tanex is highly poisonous to people and animals.

Precautions

- Mouth and nose should be covered with a cloth when handling
- Protect hands by wearing rubber gloves.
- Wash hands after handling
- Keep preservative away from children

Once the preservative has been washed off the treated posts by rain, there is no longer danger to animals or people.

More details on wood preservation methods can be obtained from FORRI, Forest Products Programme, Tel.256-41-255163/4; Fax:256-41-255165

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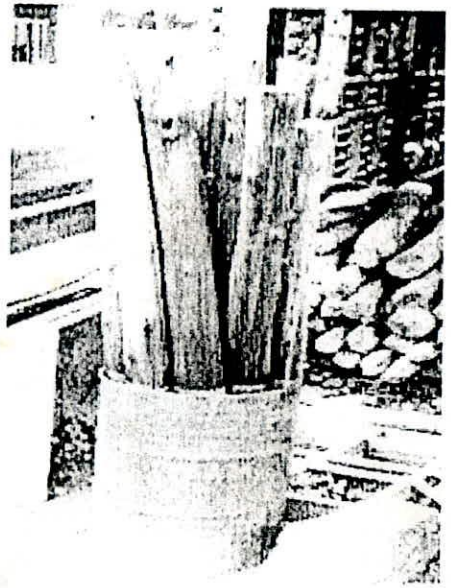

TREAT YOUR FENCING POSTS

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Do you need to fence your land?
But cannot afford to buy treated posts?
Treated posts are not easily obtained in your neighbourhood?
Sap displacement treatment method, is the answer.
Follow the instruction given below so as to treat your fencing posts properly and avoid termite attack.

Equipment and Materials

- One or more 200litre drums open at one end
- Freshly cut Eucalyptus posts (other tree species not suitable for this).
- 136 litres of water per drum
- 8.2kgs of Tanex wood preservative (or celcure 'A') per drum (other kinds of preservatives are not suitable)
- An open area of ground away from trees or shade.

Procedure

- Sand the drums in a sunny open piece of ground
- Mix thoroughly 8.2kgs of preservative with 136 litres of water in each drum. Allow to stand for 1hour.
- Cross-cut the trees to suitable lengths for posts
- Peel bark off the posts.
- Within 3-4 hours after cutting, place the posts, bottom ends in the drum (treatment doesn't work on dry posts).
- Fill the drum with posts, separated from each other using small branches or grass to allow air circulation around each post, (evaporation of sap from top and sides of posts draws up the preservative into the post).
- Leave the posts in the drum for 4 days or 5-6 days if weather is cold. The level of preservative solution should be kept near the top and if it drops, top it up with more solution made by mixing 2.7 kg preservative with 45 litres of water.
- After 4 days turn the posts upside down to treat tops for 1 day.
- Remove posts from the drums, stack in the shade