



ABSTRACT

Information Technology Department – Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Ltd - Administrative sanction for provision of free internet facility in 366 Government Higher Secondary Schools in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBB) at an outlay of Rs.9.06 Crore- Financial sanction of a sum of Rs.123.82 lakh to TACTV for implementation of the scheme in 50 Government Higher Secondary Schools initially as Phase I – Accorded - Orders - Issued.

Information Technology (B4) Department

G.O.(D).No.26

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Read:

1. From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited letter No.4440/TACTV/2016 dated 20.01.2017.
2. From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited letter No.4440/TACTV/2016 dated 17.08.2017.

ORDER:

On 23.9.2016, it was announced by the former Hon'ble Chief Minister that Free Internet facility will be provided in 50 Higher Secondary Schools and Free WiFi facility will be provided in 50 Public places like Bus Stands and Parks. Both the schemes will be implemented at a one time cost of Rs.10 Crore and recurring cost of Rs.1.50 Crore.

2. In the letter 1st read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited has sent a proposal requesting the Government to provide:-

- a. a grant of Rs.86,50,000/- for the capital expenditure and a grant of Rs.37,32,000/- for the Operations and Maintenance of the infrastructure for the 50 Higher Secondary Schools in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBB), to implement the announcement made by the former Hon'ble Chief Minister on 23.9.2016;
- b. a grant of 5,46,68,000/- for meeting the capital expenditure for 316 Higher Secondary Schools in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBB) and a grant of Rs.2,35,86,240/- annually for the Operations and Maintenance of the infrastructure for provision of free internet.

3. In the letter 2nd read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited has informed that all inappropriate content / websites will be filtered out through the deployment of necessary technology along with the monitoring mechanism.

4. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited accord administrative sanction for provision of free internet facility in 366 Government Higher Secondary Schools in Educationally Backward Blocks (EBB) at an outlay of Rs.9.06 Crore (Rupees nine crore and six lakh only) and accord financial sanction for a sum of Rs.1,23,82,000/- (Rupees one crore twenty three lakh and eighty two thousand only) to Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV (TACTV) Corporation Limited to implement the scheme in 50 Government Higher Secondary Schools initially, as Phase I, subject to the condition that all inappropriate content / websites will be filtered out through the deployment of necessary technology along with the monitoring mechanisms.

5. The School Education Department is also directed to take necessary action to release the balance amount for the remaining 316 Government Higher Secondary Schools in Phase II and to obtain Assistance from Government of India under various schemes including Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan (RMSA), National Mission on Education through Information and Communication Technology (NME-ICT) etc.

6. The expenditure sanctioned in paragraph 4 shall be debited to the following head of account:

2852.Industries-07.Telecommunication and Electronic Industries-101.Telecommunications-AA.Provision of Free Internet in Government Schools-09.Grants-in-Aid-03.Grants for Specific Schemes.
(D.P.C.2852-07-101-AA-0934)

7. The Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department is the Estimating, Reconciling and Controlling authority for the above new head of account. The Pay and Accounts Officer / Treasury Officer concerned are requested to open the above new head of account in their books.

8. The expenditure sanctioned in paragraph 4 above shall constitute an item of "New Service" and the approval of the Legislature shall be obtained in due course of time by inclusion of certain amount in the supplementary Estimates 2017-2018. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure shall be initially met by sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department / The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV Corporation Limited is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next supplementary Estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency fund to Finance (B.G.I) Department directly in Form "A" appended to the Contingency Fund Rules, 1963 along with a copy of this order. Orders for sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (B.G.I) Department. The Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department, shall also send necessary draft explanatory notes for inclusion of this expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2017-2018 without fail.

9. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Arasu Cable TV (TACTV) Corporation Limited is authorized to take appropriate measures as necessary for the successful implementation of the project in consultation with the Board. The MD, TACTV is also directed to send the physical and financial progress report of the project every month to the Principal Secretary to Government, Information Technology Department along with the details of expenditure and Utilisation Certificate.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance (Industries) Department vide its U.O. No.51819/Ind/2017, dated 11.10.2017 and ASL No.1614 (One thousand six hundred and fourteen).

(By Order of the Governor)

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