



## **ABSTRACT**

Agriculture – Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency – Additional provision of Rupees Twenty Five Crore – Sanctioned - Orders – Issued.

## AGRICULTURE (AP2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms).No.88.

Dated: 25.02.20 16. திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2047 மாசி 13.

Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms).No.94, Agriculture (AP2) Department, dated 10.4.2015.
- From the Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency Letter No.TANSEDA/ 65349/2015, dated: 13.10.2015 and 21.1.2016.

## ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, among others, the Government have accorded sanction for the creation of "Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency" (TANSEDA) and a sum of Rs.25.00 Crore (Rupees twenty five crore only) was also sanctioned during 2015-2016, so as to ensure the timely availability and to encourage the use of certified seeds by the farmers by coordinating all the activities related to seed. The Director of Agriculture / Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency was also requested to make necessary arrangements for allocation of additional funds, if the deficit of the Agency exceeds Rs.25.00 crore and in case of expenditure is less than Rs.25.00 crore, he shall carry over the saving to the next financial year.

- 2. Now, the Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency in his letter dated 21.1.2016 has stated that from the inception of Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency, the procurement and distribution activities of agricultural crops like Paddy, Millets, Pulses, Oilseeds, Cotton and Coconut are looked after by Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency from the sanctioned amount of Rs.25.00 crore and receipts. Upto December, 2015, the procurement of agricultural crops are done to an amount of Rs.60.05 crore. The bulk procurement will be carried over by the remaining period of this financial year only and the receipts may not be expected till May, 2016. The actual fund requirement for all the seed related activities for this financial year is Rs.119 crore. From the Government sanctioned fund of Rs.25 crore and the receipts from the procurement of agricultural crops to Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency (Rs.47.49 crore) the seed procurement may not be completed which in turn affects the farming community. He has, therefore, requested the Government to divert a sum of Rs.25.00 crore from Special Purpose Vehicle of Tamil Nadu Horticulture Development Agency (TANHODA) to "Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency" (TANSEDA) so as to ease the procurement of seed to the Department of Agriculture.
- 3. After careful examination of the above proposal of the Vice Chairman and Managing Director, Tamil Nadu State Seed Development Agency, the Government considers that as the Special Purpose Vehicle of Tamil Nadu Horticulture Development