

ABSTRACT

Fisheries – Marine Fisheries - Tamil Nadu Savings-Cum-Relief Scheme for Marine Fisherwomen under State Funds – Implementation of the scheme for the year 2018-19 – Administrative approval accorded – Financial sanction of Rs.59.65.00.000/- - Orders – Issued.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY, DAIRYING AND FISHERIES (FS-3) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.181

Dated: 25.9.2018 விளம்பி வருடம் 2049 புரட்டாசி மாதம் 9–ம் நாள்

Read:

- 1. G.O. (Ms) No.193, Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (FS-3) Department, dated 6.10.2017
- 2. G.O.(Ms) No.146, Animal Husbandry, Dairying & Fisheries (FS-3) Department, dated 25.7.2018
- 3. From the Director of Fisheries, letter Rc.No.6193/J2/2018, dated.6.9.2018.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued sanctioning a sum of Rs.59,64,99,000/- being the State Government's share as relief amount for disbursement of relief assistance to 1,98,833 marine fisherwomen during the fishing lean period for the year 2017-2018 under the Tamil Nadu Savings-cum-Relief Scheme.

- 2) In the Government Order second read above, orders were issued according administrative approval for implementation of the Tamil Nadu Savings cum Relief Scheme for Marine Fisherwomen under State Plan during the year 2018-19 by adopting existing pattern of assistance and guidelines approved by Government of India as follows:
 - i) To enroll the eligible marine fisherwomen and to collect subscription amount as per the existing pattern of assistance
 - ii) permitting the Director of Fisheries to collect the subscription amount for the first 7 months in one lumpsum (i.e. January to July) pertaining to 10 districts (viz., Tiruvallur to Ramnad (including Rameswaram) and to collect subscription amount for the first 4 months in one lumpsum (i.e. April to July) pertaining to Kanniyakumari District as a special case. For

the remaining months, the subscription collection will be done as per the guidelines.

- iii) To remit the subscription amount collected from the enrolled eligible beneficiaries directly in the bank account of respective fisherwomen cooperative societies. The concerned fisherwomen cooperative society will reconcile the beneficiaries contribution and the number of beneficiaries within the due date for remittance and transfer the same to the respective savings bank accounts maintained in the name of Director of Fisheries, Chennai in IDBI and ICICI bank through Real Time Gross Settlement (RTGS).
- iv) To utilise the existing Below Poverty Line (BPL) certificates obtained from the respective District Collectors for the old eligible beneficiaries.
- v) To take action to obtain necessary Below Poverty Line (BPL) certificate for the newly enrolled fisherwomen beneficiaries. New beneficiaries shall be permitted to enroll under this scheme from the next year scheme i.e. 2019-2020.
- 3) Under the scheme, the subscription amount of Rs.1,500/- would be collected from fisherwomen over a period of 9 months @ Rs.175/- for 8 months and Rs.100/- for ninth month. The Government share of Rs.3,000/- will be borne by Government of Tamil Nadu. Thus, a total relief amount of Rs.4,500/- (Fisherwomen Rs.1,500- + State Government Rs.3,000/-) will be distributed to the eligible fisherwomen in three equal monthly installment during the fishing lean months.
- 4) In the letter third read above, the Director of Fisheries has reported that in accordance with the Government Order second read above, the Coastal Assistant Directors of Fisheries have been instructed to take immediate action to enroll eligible fisherwomen and to collect subscription amount from them and to remit the same in the respective Saving Bank account maintained in IDBI and ICICI banks and that the enrollment of eligible fisherwomen under this scheme is in process and only after completion of enrollment, the actual number of fisherwomen enrolled in this scheme will be known.
- 5) In anticipation of finalization of eligible fisherwomen beneficiaries under this scheme, the Director of Fisheries has requested to issue necessary financial sanction being Government contribution under Tamil Nadu Fisherwomen Savings cum Relief scheme for the year 2018-19 as follows:-
- In accordance with the Government order first read above, a sum of Rs.59.57 crore being Government share was released to the 1,98,579 fisherwomen beneficiaries through National Electronic Funds transfer (NEFT) along with beneficiary's contribution. As the disbursement was completed, reconciliation of accounts is being done with the executing banks concerned. On completion of reconciliation process, unspent amount, if any, will be remitted back to Government account and subsequently, necessary Utilization certificate will be furnished separately. Since, the non fishing period pertaining to ten coastal districts viz., Tiruvallur to Ramanathapuram

is to be observed between October to December, relief amount has to be disbursed to the beneficiaries during the above said period as indicated below:-

Zone	Name of the Districts	Non Lean Months	Lean Months
I	Chennai, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram, Cuddalore, Villupuram, Pudukottai, Nagapattinam, Thanjavur, Tiruvarur, Ramanathapuram (including Rameswaram)	January to September	October to December
II	Kanyakumari	April to December	January to March
III	Tirunelveli and Thoothukudi	July to March	April to June

ii) During the year 2017-18, 1,98,579 fisherwomen beneficiaries were benefitted under this scheme. Further, it is anticipated that there will be a 5% increase in the number of beneficiaries due to the inclusion of new beneficiaries who obtained Below Poverty Line (BPL) certificate from the concerned District Collectors during the year 2017-18. Hence, 5% anticipated increase may be added and sanction may be accorded for disbursement of Tamil Nadu Fisheries Saving-cum-Relief Scheme to 2,08,500 number of marine fisherwomen during lean fishing period for the year 2018-19 as furnished below:-

S. N.	Description	No. of beneficiaries (in Nos.)	State Govt contribution @ Rs.3000/- per fisherwomen (in Rs.)		
1)	No. of marine fisherwomen benefitted during the year 2017-18	1,98,579			
2)	Add: 5% increase (1,98,579 X 5% = 9,928 Nos)	9,928	62,55,00,000/-		
3)	Total No. of marine fisherwomen	2,08,507 rounded off to 2,08,500			
	Total Amount to be sanct	62,55,00,000/-			
(Rupees sixty two crore and fifty five lakh only)					

- 6) Hence, the Director of Fisheries has requested orders of the Government on the following:
 - i) to sanction a sum of Rs.62,55,00,000/- being the State Government's share towards disbursement of Savings cum Relief amount to 2,08,500 marine fisherwomen beneficiaries along with their contribution under this scheme for the year 2018-2019

- ii) to permit the Director of Fisheries to release the subscription amount collected from the fisherwomen beneficiaries along with the State Government's relief amount during the three lean months period.
- to provide a total sum of Rs.62.55 crore including the required balance amount of Rs.2.90 crore in the Revised Estimate/Final Modified Appropriation 2018-2019, as sum of Rs.5965.00 lakh has been provided in the Budget Estimate for the year 2018-19.
- iv) Pending provision of funds, to authorize the Director of Fisheries to draw and deposit the same in the Personal Deposit /Saving Bank Account being operated in the name of Director of Fisheries and to disburse the relief amount to the fisherwomen beneficiaries of coastal districts through (National Electronic Funds transfer) by utilizing the services of IDBI / ICICI bank as approved in G.O.(Ms) No.285, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS3) Department, dated: 4.11.2013.
- 7) The Government have examined the proposal of the Director of Fisheries carefully and have decided to accept it. Accordingly, sanction is accorded for a sum of Rs.59,65,00,000/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Crore and Sixty Five Lakh only) which has been allocated in Budget Estimate 2018-19 being the State Government's share towards disbursement of savings cum relief amount to 1,98,833 marine fisherwomen beneficiaries along with their contribution under this scheme for the year 2018-2019. Any, additional amount required is to be considered at the time of Revised Estimate/Final Modified Appropriation 2018-19.
- 8) The Government also permit the Director of Fisheries to release the subscription amount collected from the fisherwomen beneficiaries along with the State Government's share during the three lean months period as indicated in para 5 above.
- 9) The Government also authorize the Director of Fisheries to draw and deposit the amount sanctioned in para 7 above in the Personal Deposit /Saving Bank Account being operated in the name of Director of Fisheries and to disburse the relief amount to the fisherwomen beneficiaries of coastal districts through (National Electronic Funds transfer) by utilizing the services of IDBI / ICICI bank as approved in G.O.(Ms) No.285, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS3) Department, dated 4.11.2013.
- 10) The amount sanctioned in para 7 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

2405-00-Fisheries – 800 - Other Expenditure – State's Expenditure - KD Relief Scheme for Tamil Nadu Marine Fisherwomen during lean months - 11- Subsidies - 01 Individual based subsidy (D.P.C. 2405-00-800 KD 1111)

11) The Director of Fisheries is directed to remit the unspent amount of previous years, if any, kept in bank in Government account forthwith.

12) This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.47429 AHDF/18, dated 24.9.2018.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K. GOPAL Principal Secretary to Government

<u>To</u>

The Director of Fisheries, Chennai-35.
The Accountant General, Chennai-18/18(By Name)
The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.
The Resident Audit Officer, O/o. the Principal Accountant General, Chennai-9
The Coastal District Collectors concerned, (13 Districts) through the Director of Fisheries, Chennai-35

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