



ABSTRACT

Fisheries – Implementation of the scheme of diversification of trawl fishing boats from Palk Bay into Deep Sea fishing boat - Administrative Approval and Financial sanction - Orders - Issued.

Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS4) Department

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2048, வைகாசி 9

G.O.(Ms) No.115

Dated:23.5.2017

Read:

1. From the Commissioner of Fisheries Letter Rc No.12506/R1/2016, dated 05.04.2017.
2. Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Animal Husbandry Dairying and Fisheries, New Delhi Lr.No.27035-19/2015-FY(IV) dt.29.5.2016.
3. Government D.O.Letter.No.4875/FS4/2017, dated 22.4.2017.
4. Government of India, Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure Letter No.44(1)/PF-S/2017-381, dated 11.5.2017.
5. Government of India, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Department of Animal Husbandry Dairying and Fisheries, New Delhi Letter.No.21003/01/2017-Fy(Ind), dated 11.5.2017.
6. From the Commissioner of Fisheries Letter.Rc No.12506/R1/2016, dated 19.05.2017

ORDER:

In the letter first read above, the Commissioner of Fisheries has stated that frequent apprehension of fishing boats by the Sri Lankan Government is causing a sense of anxiety and insecurity among the fishermen community of Tamil Nadu as whole. During the Fishermen level talks, the Fishermen of Tamil Nadu have expressed that they are willing to diversify the trawling operations into deep sea fishing operations in a phased manner over a period of three years provided that Government of India provides financial support for the same. The Commissioner of Fisheries has stated that 2000 bigger size trawl fishing boats are required to be replaced

with new deep sea fishing gill netter cum long liner and moved out of Palk Bay in a phased manner for venturing into deep sea fishing.

2) In the letter second read above, the Government of India have issued orders incorporating an additional sub component on **"ASSISTANCE FOR DEEP SEA FISHING"** for traditional fishers under the existing component "Development of Marine Fisheries, Infrastructure and Post-Harvest Operations under the Blue Revolution Scheme.

3) In the letter third read above, the proposal of the Commissioner of Fisheries with the following funding pattern was sent to Government of India for necessary funding assistance:-

Sl No	Funding By	Percentage (%)	Amount (Rs.in Lakhs)
1.	Government of India	50%	40
2	Government of Tamil Nadu (including insurance cover for the boat)	20%	16
3	Beneficiary contribution	10%	8
4	Institutional finance	20%	16
Total		100%	80

4) In the letter fourth and fifth read above, the Government of India has conveyed the administrative approval for the replacement of 750 trawler boats from Palk Bay in the first phase and has released a sum of Rs.200 crore (The Ministry of Finance and the Ministry of Agriculture, has released a sum of Rs.100 crore each).

5) In the letter sixth read above, the Commissioner of Fisheries has stated that the 10% beneficiary contribution shall be met by disposing/scrapping of his existing trawler and also from his own sources. A maximum of 7 fishermen families including owner of the boats who were seeking out the livelihood with the trawler boat scraped shall be provided with the Subsistence Allowance of Rs.5000/- per family for the last period construction of 3 months by the Government of Tamil Nadu and furnished

the details of requirement of funds for Diversification for the year 2017- 18 and year wise allocation as follows:-

a) Construction of 500 nos of Deep Sea Fishing boats in the first phase

Sl No	Details	Unit cost (Rs in Lakhs)	No of units	Total cost (Rs in Crore)	Funding by
1.	50% Central Subsidy assistance for constructing new tuna long liner cum gill netter.	40	500	200	Government of India
2	20% Subsidy assistance for constructing new tuna long liner cum gill netter (including insurance coverage)	16	500	80	Government of Tamil Nadu
3	Subsistence allowance for fishermen families during the last three months of Construction (Rs.5000 per family, 7 Families per boat x 3 months)	1.05	500	5.25	
Grand Total				285.25	

b) Year-wise allocation:

Year	No of boats per year	Liability of GoI at Rs.40 lakh per boat (50%)	Liability of GoTN		Beneficiaries @ Rs.8 lakh per boat (10%)	Institutional funding from Nationalised Banks @ Rs.16 lakh per boat (20%)
			@ Rs.16 lakh per boat including insurance coverage (20%)	Subsistence allowance (Rs.5000 per family, 7 Families per boat x 3 months)		
2017-2018	500	200 cr	80 cr	5.25 cr	40cr	80 cr
2018-2019	500	200 cr	80 cr	5.25 cr	40cr	80 cr
2019-2020	1000	400 cr	160 cr	10.50 cr	80cr	160 cr
Total	2000	800 cr	320 cr	21 cr	160 cr	320 cr

6) The Commissioner of Fisheries has therefore requested the Government to accord the administrative approval for the implementation of the scheme and to release a sum of Rs.285.25 crore including the central share and Rs.75 lakhs as contingency to implement the scheme of diversification of trawl fishing boats from Palk Bay into Deep Sea Fishing boats in the first phase and also requested permission to draw and deposit the amount in Personal Deposit Account of the Commissioner of Fisheries.

7) The Government after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Commissioner of Fisheries at para 6 above and accord administrative approval and financial sanction for a sum of Rs.286 crore (Rupees Two Hundred and Eighty Six Crore only); i.e., Rs.200 crore as Government of India share and Rs.86 crore as Government of Tamil Nadu share including contingency to implement the scheme of diversification of trawl fishing boats from Palk Bay into Deep Sea Fishing boats in the first phase.

8) The detailed guidelines for the above scheme will be issued separately.

9) The amount sanctioned at para 7 above shall be debited to the following Head of account:-

"2405 00 Fisheries – 800 other expenditure – Schemes shared between State and Centre Scheme – UD – Diversification of trawl Fishing boats from Palk Bay into Deep Sea Fishing Boats – 11 subsidies – 01 individual Based Subsidy"

(DPC 2405-00-800-UD-11 11)

10) The expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above shall constitute an item of "New Service" for which the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Commissioner of Fisheries is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period up to 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 Tamil Nadu 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. She is also directed to send necessary explanatory note to Government in Finance (B.G.I) Department for inclusion of the expenditure in the Supplementary estimates for the year 2017-2018 for getting the approval of the Legislature at an appropriate time without fail.

11) The Commissioner of Fisheries is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned at para 7 above and also permitted to deposit the amount in Personal Deposit Account of the Commissioner of Fisheries.

12) This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O No. 27816/DS(LMP)/2017, dated:23.5.2017 with ASL No.543 (Five Hundred and Forty Three).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Principal Accountant General, Chennai 18/18.
The Pay & Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.
The Resident Audit Officer, Chennai-9

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The Finance (AHD&F/BG-I&II) Department, Chennai-9.
The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.
The Senior Personal Assistant to Minister (Fisheries), Chennai-9.
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23/5/2017.
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