



ABSTRACT

Fisheries – Fishing ban period – Relief assistance of Rs.2000/- per marine fishermen family for the year 2015 – Sanction –Orders issued.

Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS-3) Department

G.O.(MS)No. 77

Dated:13.4.2015.

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Read:

1. G.O. (MS) No.54, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS.3) Department, dated 17.05.2011.
2. G.O.(MS).No.285, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS.3) Department, dated 04.11.2013
3. G.O.(MS).No.102, Animal Husbandry, Dairying and Fisheries (FS.3) Department, dated 20.5.2014
4. From the Commissioner of Fisheries Letter No. 1601/ J1/ 2015, dated 9.02.2015.

ORDER:

Fishery wealth in the coast of Tamil Nadu is conserved by imposing ban on fishing by mechanized fishing boats and trawlers in the territorial waters of the State every year for a period of 45 days in the east coast from 15th April to 29th May (inclusive of both the days) and in the West Coast from 15th June to 29th July (inclusive of both the days) from the year 2000 onwards. Traditional Fishing crafts are exempted from the above fishing ban. Government of India is also imposing a similar fishing ban in the east and west coasts in the Exclusive Economic Zone of India every year.

2. To alleviate the sufferings of the crew of the mechanized fishing boats and other marine fishermen who are affected due to the fishing ban period and who do not have any other work during the fishing ban period, the Government is sanctioning relief assistance every year to the coastal fishermen families from the year 2008.

3. In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued for payment of enhanced relief assistance during fishing ban period from Rs.1000/- to Rs.2000/- per marine fisherman family.

4. In the Government Order third read above, orders were issued sanctioning a sum of Rs. 33,44,00,000/- to disburse the fish ban relief assistance of Rs. 2,000/- each to 1,67,200 number of marine fishermen families in 13 coastal districts for the year 2014-2015 and also for sanctioning a sum of Rs. 5,01,000/- to meet out the contingency expenditure for 1,67,200 number of beneficiaries at the rate of Rs.3/- per beneficiary. As on date a sum of Rs.29,97,10,000/- was released to 1,49,855 fishermen families.

5. In the letter 4th read above, the Commissioner of Fisheries has informed that it is anticipated that, there would be a 10% increase in the number of beneficiaries due to inclusion of new ration card holders. Hence, 10% anticipated increase may be added to 1,49,855 number of beneficiaries (2014) and sanction may be accorded for disbursement of fishing ban relief assistance to 1,65,000 number of beneficiaries for the current year 2015 and to sanction a sum of Rs.33,04,95,000/- as detailed below:-

No. of marine fishermen families benefited during the year 2014.	1,49,855
Add: 10% increase	14,986
Total No of marine fishermen families (2015)	1,64,841 Rounded off to 1,65,000
Total No of marine fishermen families arrived (approximately)	1,65,000
Total amount of fishing ban relief assistance to be sanctioned by the Government for 1,65,000 marine fishermen families is	33,00,00,000
Contingency expenditure (Rs.3/- per fisherman family x 1,65,000)	4,95,000
Total amount to be sanctioned	33,04,95,000
(Rupees thirty three crore, four lakh and ninety five thousand only)	

6. The Commissioner of Fisheries has also requested the Government to issue necessary orders authorizing the Commissioner of Fisheries to draw and disburse the fishing ban period assistance to the marine fishermen families through National Electronic Fund Transfer by utilizing the services of IDBI / ICICI banks as ordered in the Government Order second read above.

7. The Government have carefully examined the proposal of the Commissioner of Fisheries at para-5 and 6 above and accordingly sanction a sum of Rs.33,00,00,000/- (Rupees Thirty three crore only) to disburse the fish ban relief assistance of Rs.2,000/- each to 1,65,000 number of marine fishermen families during the fishing ban period for the year 2015 in 13 Coastal Districts. The Government also sanction a sum of Rs.4,95,000/- (Rupees Four lakh and ninety five thousand only) to meet out the contingency expenditure for 1,65,000 number of beneficiaries at the rate of Rs.3/- per beneficiary. The orders issued in G.O.(Ms)No.95, Finance (BG-I) Department, dated.31.3.2015 on Quarterly Control of Appropriation System for the year 2015-2016 is released for this sanction.

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para-7 above shall be debited to the following head of account:-

For Relief Assistance of Rs.33,00,00,000/-:-

“2405.00 Fisheries -103 Marine Fisheries – Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan – II State Plan – JS – Livelihood support to coastal fishermen during the fishing ban period – 09 Grants – in- Aid - 01 Grants for Current Expenditure”
(DPC: 2405-00-103-JS-0915)

For Contingency expenditure of Rs.4,95,000/-:-

“2405.00 Fisheries -103 Marine Fisheries – Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan – II State Plan – JS – Livelihood support to coastal fishermen during the fishing ban period-05 Office Expenses – 02 other contingencies”.
(DPC: 2405-00-103-JS-0522)

9. The Commissioner of Fisheries is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para-7 above through National Electronic Fund Transfer by utilizing the service of IDBI/ICICI Banks as ordered in the Government Order second read above.

10. This order issues with concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.22012/Finance(AHD&F)/2015, dated.13.4.2015.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

S.VIJAYAKUMAR
Secretary to Government

To

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The Accountant General, Chennai-18/18.(By Name)
The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.
The National Informatics Centre, Chennai-9.
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