

Minorities Welfare – Financial Assistance for Repairs, Renovation and Creation of basic amenities for Churches – Revised Guidelines – Orders - Issued.

<u>Minorities Welfare (MWRU1) Department</u>

G.O. (Ms) No.19

Dated 21.03.2023 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2054 பங்குனித் திங்கள் 7–ஆம் நாள்

Read:

- 1) G.O (Ms) No. 71, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated 20.12.2016.
- 2) G.O (Ms) No. 66, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated 01.12.2017.
- 3) G.O (Ms) No. 71, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated 11.11.2019
- G.O (Ms) No.83, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, dated 11.11.2020.
- 5) From the Director of Minorities Welfare, Letter No.A4/3305/2020, dated 01.06.2021 and 29.12.2021.

ORDER:-

In the Government Orders first and second read above, orders were issued framing guidelines for Financial Assistance to repair and renovation of Christian Churches and Rs.1.00 crore was sanctioned for the scheme. Further, in Government Orders third and fourth read above, Rs.6.00 crore was sanctioned for the above Scheme.

2. In the letter fifth read above, the Director of Minorities Welfare has requested to increase the amount of grant sanctioned under the scheme citing increase in the cost of raw materials and also requested to include additional basic amenities such as construction of pedestal, construction of toilet facilities and drinking water facilities.

- 3. The Government, after careful consideration of the proposal of the Director of Minorities Welfare, has decided to accept the same and permit the following basic amenities for consideration for sanctioning of Grant to Churches, in addition to the repair and renovation of Churches:
 - a) Construction of pedestal in Churches
 - b) Construction of Toilet facilities
 - c) Creation of Drinking Water facilities

Further, in view of cost escalation in works, the amount of Grant allotted to Churches, considering the age of the building, is hereby enhanced as follows:-

- The amount of grant is enhanced from Rs.1.00 lakh to Rs.2.00 lakh (for 10-15 years);
- ii) The amount of grant is enhanced from Rs.2.00 lakh to Rs.4.00 lakh (for 15-20 years);
- iii) The amount of grant is enhanced from Rs.3.00 lakh to Rs.6.00 lakh (for 20 years and above).
- 4. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.8347/ Finance (BC, MBC & MW)/2023, Dated 14.03.2023.

(By Order of the Governor)

Mangat Ram Sharma
Additional Chief Secretary

To
The Director,
Minorities Welfare,
Chennai-5.
The Managing Director,
Tamil Nadu Minorities Economic
Development Corporation Limited,
Chennai-5.
All District Collectors.
All District Backward Classes and
Minorities Welfare Officers,
District Minorities Welfare Officers,
Chennai, Villupuram, Vellore, Coimbatore and Tirunelveli.
The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

Copy to:

The Special Personal Assistant to the Hon'ble Minister for Minorities Welfare and Non-Resident Tamils Welfare, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Commissioner, Backward Classes Welfare, Chennai-5. The Commissioner, Most Backward Classes and Denotified Communities Welfare, Chennai-5. The Member - Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Minorities Commission, Chennai-2. Finance (BC, MBC & MW) Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9. Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9. Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9. The Senior Principal Private Secretary to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9. Personal Clerk to Special Secretary to Government, Backward Classes, Most Backward Classes and Minorities Welfare Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9. Stock File / Spare Copy.

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Section Officer