

ABSTRACT

Announcement – Implementation of Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Food and Civil Supplies 2019-2020 – Purchase of 200 Universal Digital Moisture Meters at a cost of Rs.60.00 lakhs - Orders – Issued.

Cooperation, Food and Consumer Protection (B1) Department

G.O (D) No.137

Dated: 06.09.2019 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு, 2050 விகாரி வருடம், ஆவணி, 20 Read:

From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation Letter No. QC3/ 029848/2019, dated 09.07.2019.

ORDER:-

During the Assembly Session, 2019-20 on the Demand for Grants under Demand No.13, the Hon'ble Minster of Food and Civil Supplies has made the following Announcement:-

"In order to keep the PDS commodities clean and free from moisture, 200 Nos. of Universal Moisture Meters will be purchased additionally at a cost of Rs.60.00 lakhs from the own funds of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation".

- 2. In the letter read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has stated that as per the guidelines issued by the Food Corporation of India under Decentralized Procurement operations and by Indian Institute of Crop Processing Technology (IICPT), Thanjavur, each and every year the Technical equipments have to be provided to the procurement operations at Direct Purchase Centres (DPC) and to the Covered Area Plinths (CAP) and all Regional godowns in which the Universal Digital Moisture Meters are utmost necessary for checking the Moisture Content of the Foodgrains at DPCs, CAPs and all Regional godowns.
- 3. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has also stated that to check the moisture content of the stored food grains as above, moisture meters are necessary and all DPCs should also be provided with moisture meter to check the moisture content of the paddy during procurement. 284 godowns (owned 234 and rented 50), 66 CAPs, 21 Modern Rice Mills and 33 Regional Labs and approximately 2,500 DPCs are functioning under the Quality Control of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation. At the rate of one moisture meter to one centre, 2,904 moisture meters are required whereas only 2,622 moisture meters alone are available as on date. Hence, the additional requirement is 282 Nos of Moisture Meters.

- 4. In order to implement the above announcement, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has requested the Government to accord administrative and financial sanction for purchase of 200 moisture meters at a total cost of Rs. 60.00 lakh from the own funds of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation.
- 5. The Government, after careful examination, have decided to accept the proposal of the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation and accord administrative and Financial sanction to Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation for the purchase of 200 Universal Digital Moisture Meters at a cost of Rs.60.00 lakhs (Rupees sixty lakhs only) from the own funds of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation for use in procurement of paddy in delta and non-delta regions. The rules and regulations as mentioned in Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 and 2000 should be followed while purchasing 200 Universal Moisture Meters.
- 6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No 43057/CF&CP/2019, dated:30.08.2019.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

DAYANAND KATARIA
Principal Secretary to Government.

To

The Managing Director,

Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation, Chennai-600 010.

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection, Chennai-600 005.

The Accountant General (Audit I), Periyar Buildings, Chennai-18.

The Accountant General (A&E), Chennai-18.

Copy to:

The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Food and Civil Supplies), Chennai-9.

The Chief Secretary to Government, Chennai-9.

The Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Chennai-9.

The Finance (CF&CP) Department, Chennai-9.

The Senior Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government,

Cooperation, Food and Consumer Protection Department, Chennai-9.

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