



ABSTRACT

Corona pandemic relief measures – Distribution of Grocery kits to the Rice Family Cardholders – Sanction of funds – Orders - issued.

Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection (F1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.44

Dated: 29.05.2021

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Read:

1. From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation, Chennai-10 Letter No.BS6/13913/2021, dated 11.05.2021.
2. From the Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection, Letter No.E2/9925/2021, dated 12.05.2021.

ORDER:-

The Government of Tamil Nadu has announced complete lockdown in the State from 10.05.2021 to 24.05.2021 in view of Covid pandemic situation. In the letter first read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has stated that, in the meeting chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 11.05.2021, it has been decided to distribute 14 grocery items with cloth bag to the Rice Family Cardholders, in order to secure the livelihood of the people affected during Covid pandemic situation.

2. In this regard, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has informed that, as per the decision taken in the meeting, for the distribution of 14 grocery items, such as, Wheat Flour, Salt, Rava, Sugar, Urad Dhal, Tamarind, etc., at an estimated cost of Rs.412.33 each to the 2,07,66,950 numbers of Rice Family Cardholders, a sum of Rs.856.28 crore is required. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has stated that, the above expenditure may vary after finalization of the tender to be floated by the TNCSC by following due procedures laid down in the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 and Rules 2000 for the purchase of the above commodities.

3. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has requested to sanction and release a sum of Rs.856.28 crore (Rupees eight hundred and fifty six crore and twenty eight lakh) immediately to the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to enable the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to procure and speedy distribution of Grocery items to the Rice Family Cardholders. Further, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation has informed that, instead of adopting clause-16(a) of Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 for the procurement of commodities by Tamil Nadu

Civil Supplies Corporation during this Covid pandemic emergency situation, TNCSC proposes to float short term tender to ensure transparency in procuring the commodities for Covid relief works.

4. In the letter second read above, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection has reported that, 2,15,00,062 Family Cards are in circulation. Out of which 2,11,12,798 Family Cards are Rice Family Cards (including Srilankan Refugees). The Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection has requested release of funds for the distribution of Grocery items under the head of Relief Measures for Disaster Management. He has requested that, a sum of Rs.870.54 crore (2,11,12,798 X Rs.412.33 = Rs.870,54,39,999) may be sanctioned to enable the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to procure and distribute 2,11,12,798 number of Grocery kits to the Rice Family Cardholders as a relief measure during corona pandemic.

5. As the costing is only a tentative cost, the initial sanction has been limited to Rs.400/- per kit in anticipation of savings on selected items in the actual bidding. Further it is considered appropriate that, funds are released from Demand No.51 under Major Head "2245" as this is an item of COVID relief and eligible under SDRF as gratuitous immediate relief. Pending presentation of the main Budget 2021-2022, the requisite expenditure can initially be met from an advance from the Food Subsidy intended for the 2nd quarter of 2021-2022.

6. The Government after careful consideration pass the following orders:-

- (i) A sum of Rs.844.51 crore (Rupees eight hundred and forty four crore and fifty one lakh only) (2,11,12,798 X Rs.400 = Rs.844,51,19,200) is sanctioned and released immediately to the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to enable the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to procure and distribute 2,11,12,798 Grocery kits (details of items per kit as annexed) to the Rice Family Cardholders as a relief measure during corona pandemic, by relaxing Quarterly Control of Appropriation system for which orders were issued in the Government Letter No.15417/Fin(BG-I)Dept./2021-1, dated 30.03.2021. Further, this QCA relaxation is included in the online Quarterly Control of Appropriation (QCA) module of IFHRMS also, to facilitate drawal bills under IFHRMS as well.
- (ii) Permission to the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation to float short term tender for the procurement of commodities for Grocery items during this Covid pandemic emergency situation.
- (iii) Release of funds from Demand No.51 under Major Head "2245" as this is an item of COVID relief and eligible under SDRF as gratuitous immediate relief. A specific inclusion within these norms should be taken up by Revenue Department as this is an unprecedented calamity.
- (iv) Pending presentation of the main Budget 2021-2022, the requisite expenditure shall be initially met from an advance from the Food Subsidy intended for the 2nd quarter of 2021-2022

7. The amount sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following Head of Account:-

“3456-00 Civil Supplies 103 Consumer Subsidies – State’s Expenditure
– AE Social Safety Net – Food Security – PDS Support – 311
Subsidies – 02 General Subsidy”

(IFHRMS DPC 3456-00-103-AE-31102)
(Old DPC 3456-00-103-AE-1123)

8. The amount sanctioned in para 6 above, should be kept in Government Public Deposit maintained in IFHRMS Account by contra credit to

“K Deposits and Advances – (B) Deposits not bearing interest 8443 – 00 Civil Deposits – 800 – Other Deposits – BJ Deposits of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation Limited (TNCSC) – 801 Receipts – 02 Non Bearing Interest”

(IFHRMS DPC – 8443-00-800 BJ 801 02 (Receipts))
(DPC 8443-00-800 BJ 000G (Receipts))

9. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection is authorized to draw the amount of Rs.844.51 crore (Rupees eight hundred and forty four crore and fifty one lakh only) sanctioned in para 6 above and to credit the amount to the IFHRMS Account of Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation through IFHRMS portal. The Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection shall arrange to obtain and furnish the Utilization Certificate from the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation in due course.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.22171/FIN(CF&CP)/2021, dated 20.05.2021.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Md. NASIMUDDIN
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Additional Chief Secretary / Commissioner for Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Chennai-5.

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection, Chennai-5.

The Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Chennai-10.

The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation,
Chennai-10.

All District Collectors.

The Additional Registrar of Cooperative Societies (CA), Chennai-10.

The Principal Accountant General, Chennai-600 018.

The Accountant General (Audit), Chennai-600 018

The Pay and Accounts Officer (East), Chennai-600 005.

Copy to:

The Chief Minister’s Office, Chennai-9.

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

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The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Cooperation, Food and Consumer Protection Department, Chennai-9.

The Finance (CF&CP) Department, Chennai-600 009.

SF/SC.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER//

T. Sraathu
29/5/2021
SECTION OFFICER

**Annexure to G.O.(Ms) No.44, Cooperation, Food and
Consumer Protection Department, dated 29.05.2021**

Details of items to be placed in relief kits

Sl. No.	Commodity	Quantity
1	2	3
1	Wheat flour	1 Kg
2	Salt	1 Kg
3	Rava	1 Kg.
4	Sugar	500 gm
5	Urad Dhall	500 gm
6	Tamarind	250 gm
7	Bengal Gram Dal	250 gm
8	Tea Powder	200 gm
9	Mustard	100 gm
10	Cumin	100 gm
11	Turmeric Powder	100 gm
12	Chilly Powder	100 gm
13	Bathing Soap (125 Gms)	1 No.
14	Washing Soap (250 Gms)	1 No.
15	Cloth Bag (140 GSM) (14" x 16")	1 No.

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