

ABSTRACT

Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department – Constitution of Green Committee to regulate the cutting and to take up the tree planting activities in public lands and public offices – Orders issued in G.O.(Ms)No.39, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.13) Department, dated 02.07.2021 for the formation of State Green Committee and District Green Committee – Amendment - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTS (FR.13) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms).No: 66

Dated: 07.04.2022

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Read:

1. Orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in W.P No.11094 of 2021 and WMP.No.11742 of 2021, dated 30.04.2021.

2. G.O.(Ms)No.39, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.13)Department, dated 02.07.2021.

ORDER:-

In the reference 2nd cited, orders were issued for the formation of State Green Committee and District Green Committee as per the orders of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its Judgment in W.P No.11094 of 2021 and WMP.No.11742 of 2021 dated 30.04.2021 as follows:-

The composition of State Green Committee:-

1	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change & Forests Department.	Chairperson
2	Additional Chief Secretary /Principal Secretary, Industries Department.	Member
3	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department.	Member
4	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration & Water Supply Department.	Member
5	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department.	Member
6	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments Department.	Member
7	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary , Public Works Department.	Member

8	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Highways and Minor Ports Department.	Member
9	Director General of Police, Kamarajar Salai, Mylapore, Chennai - 4	Member
10	The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department)	Member Secretary

In the meantime the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its order, dated 05.07.2021 among others has ordered as follows:-

"By order dated 30.04.2021, this Court noticing that there is no enactment like The Delhi Preservation of Trees Act, 1994, which is in force in New Delhi, to protect the Trees, wanted to know as to when a similar Act in Tamil Nadu would be passed to protect the Trees. Further, this Court is of the opinion that the Government has to form a Committee for cutting and removing trees in public lands and in the public offices.

- 3. Mr.Radhakrishnan, Party-in-person submits that two Experts from Civil Society Groups have been made as members of District Green Committee, whereas it is not found in the State Green Committee. Unless experts from Environment or Civil Society Groups are made as members, the purpose of formation of the Committee would not be completed. Experts opinion is necessary for any action to be taken in the Committee and therefore, inclusion of two Experts from Environment or Civil Society Groups in the State Green Committee is a must.
- 5. In view of the above, the Government after careful examination decided to revise the State Green Committee as follows:-

1	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change & Forests Department	Chairperson
2	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Industries Department.	Member
3	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department	Member
4	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Municipal Administration & Water Supply Department.	Member
5	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management Department	Member
6	Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary, Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments Department.	Member
7	Additional Chief Secretary /Principal Secretary , Public Works Department	Member
8	Additional Chief Secretary /Principal Secretary, Highways and Minor Ports Department.	Member
9	Director General of Police, Kamarajar Salai, Mylapore, Chennai – 6.	Member

10	The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department)	Member Secretary
11	Tmt. Shoba Menon, Managing Trustee, Nizhal, Chennai - 85.	Member
12	Tmt. V. Latha Mathivanan, Arumbugal Trust, Tirunelveli – 11.	Member

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

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The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

Municipal Administration & Water Supply Department,

Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

Industries Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

The Home, Prohibition and Excise Department,

Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Principal Secretary to Government,

Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Principal Secretary to Government,

Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Principal Secretary to Government,

Highways and Minor Ports Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Principal Secretary to Government,

Tourism, Culture and Religious Endowments Department,

Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoFF),

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Tmt. V. Latha Mathivanan,

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The Director General of Police,

Kamarajar Salai, Mylapore, Chennai – 6.

All District Collectors.

District Forest Officers, All District (through PCCF)

District Revenue Officers, All District (through PCCF).

Superintendent of Police, All Districts (through PCCF).

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The Senior Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary to Government,

Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

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All Section of Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,

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The National Informatics Centre, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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