

Announcement – Budget 2022-2023 – Demand No.22 (Police Department) Announcement made by Hon'ble Chief Minister on 10.05.2022 – Replacement of 68 Signals and Maintaining 244 other Traffic Signals - Sanctioned – Orders – Issued.

Home (Transport -V) Department

G.O.(Ms).No.360

Dated:18.07.2022 சுபகிருது-ஆடி-02 ம் நாள் திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு- 2053 Read:

- 1. From the Commissioner of Police, Greater Chennai Police, Chennai, letter Rc.No.Tr./Imp-1/54/9108/ 2022-5, dated 13.05.2022.
- 2. From the Director General of Police /Head of Police Force, Chennai letter Rc.No.2452199/SA.II(1)/2022, dated 18.05.2022.

ORDER:-

During the budget session 2022-2023 while replying to the demand for grant for Police Department held on 10.05.2022, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has made an announcement along with many other announcements as below: -

Announcement No.31

சென்னை பெருநகரப் போக்குவரத்து காவலில் 312 சாலை போக்குவரத்து சமிக்கை கம்பங்கள் செயல்பட்டு வருகிறது. இப்போக்குவரத்து சமிக்கை கம்பங்கள் கடும் காலநிலை காரணிகளுக்கு உட்படுவதால் அடிக்கடி பழுதடைவதால் பத்து ஆண்டுகளுக்கும் மேலான 68 போக்குவரத்து சமிக்கை கம்பங்களை மாற்றுவதற்கும் 244 போக்குவரத்து சமிக்கை கம்பங்களைப் பராமரிப்பதற்கும் ரூபாய் 9 கோடி செலவிடப்படும்.

Rs.9 crores will be spent for the replacement of more than 10 years old, 68 Signals and Annual Maintenance for 244 other Traffic Signals.

2. Pursuant to the above announcement, the Commissioner of Police has submitted a proposal and stated that Traffic management is a key factor for any City to thrive and sustain the rapid growth. The eminence of a City depends on the quality of the traffic flow available for the day to day functions of the

citizens and commercial activities. Traffic control is a critical element in the safe and efficient operation of any transportation system. Traffic Control refers to the operational procedures, rules and laws and traffic infrastructure includes such as signs, markings and Traffic lights etc. Traffic Signals are the most important and essential infrastructure required for Traffic control in the City.

3. There are 312 Nos of Road Traffic Signals functioning in Greater Chennai City as mentioned below:-

1.	15 Years old Signals	27
2.	10 Years Old Signals	108
3.	5 Years Old Signals	137
4.	Below 5 years Old Signals	40
Total		312

4. The status of the 312 Road Traffic Signals are furnished Below:-

1.	Under AMC	
2.	Repair due to Major Fault	
3.	Under Warranty	
		2
4.	Pelican Signals	33
5.	Switched Off for Bridgework/ CMRI Work etc.	10
6.	Sponsor Signals	15
Total		
		312

5. The Commissioner of Police has also stated that the Traffic Signals are exposed to extreme climatic conditions such as extreme heat, dust, rain, wind etc. and are continuously functioning 24x7. The electronic devices however advanced when exposed to extreme climatic conditions and put to prolonged usage develop repairs. The minor repairs are attended regularly under Annual Maintenance Contract/ Warranty conditions. However, a significant number of signals develop major repairs such as cable fault, mother Board fault, controller etc. due to electrical fluctuation and other contingencies. The cost of rectifying the repairs is almost equal to installing a new signal and rectifying the repairs is not economical. The year wise amount spent for maintenance of Traffic Signals is furnished below:

Year	AMC Amount sanction by Government	Amount incurred for rectification of Major repairs (including bills on hand to be settled)	Total Balance
2018-19	34,26,000		
2019-20	60,20,000	34,26,000	0
2020-21		60,20,000	0
	87,15,000	87,15,000	0
2021-22	94,39,000	94,39,000	0

6. The Commissioner of Police has further stated that, there is no separate funds are available for maintenance of traffic signals and every year funds are requested from Road Safety Fund. He has therefore requested that a sum of Rs.6,16,00,000/- be exclusively sanctioned for replacement of above 10 years old damaged signals and for the maintenance of other traffic signals. The details are furnished below:-

		(In Rupees)
1.	Replacement of 68 signals (abov 10 years old) @ Rs.7 Lakh pe signal	e 4,76,00,000.00
2.	Annual Maintenance of th remaining 244 signals	e 1,40,00,000.00
	Total	6,16,00,000.00

- 7. The Director General of Police / Head of Police Force, Chennai have requested that the Government to sanction a sum of Rs. 9,00,00,000 (Rupees nine crores only) towards Replacement of 68 Signals and for Maintenance of 244 other Traffic Signals.
- 8. The Government after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Commissioner of Police, Greater Chennai Police, Chennai and the Director General of Police / Head of Police Force, Chennai. Accordingly, the Government accord sanction for a sum of Rs.6,16,00,000/- (Rupees Six Crore and sixteen Lakhs only) of which Rs.4,76,00,000 is Non-recurring expenditure and Rs.1,40,00,000 is Recurring Expenditure towards Replacement of 68 Signals and Maintaining 244 other Traffic Signals and necessary purchase procedure shall be followed.
- 9. The expenditure sanctioned at para 8 above shall be debited under the following head of account.

2055-00 Police 108 State Headquarters Police - State's Expenditure-AG City Traffic Improvement Works-318 Maintenance - 01 Periodical Maintenance.

(IFHRMS DPC 2055 00 108 AG 318 01)

10. The additional expenditure sanctioned in para-8 above shall constitute an item of "New Instrument of Service" and the approval of the Legislature shall be obtained in due course of time by an inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates 2022-2023. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawl of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Commissioner of Police, Greater Chennai Police, Chennai is requested to calculate the actual amount required for the period up to next Supplementary Estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (BG-1) Department directly in Form "A" appended to the Contingency Fund Rules, 1963 along with a copy of this order. Orders for sanction of an advance from the

Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (BG.I) Department. The Commissioner of Police, Greater Chennai Police, Chennai shall also send necessary draft explanatory notes for inclusion of this expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2022-2023, to Finance (BG-1/Home-1) Department without fail.

11. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.35407/Home-I/2022,dated 14.07.2022 with ASL.No.0717 (seven hundred and seventeen) (IFHRMS ASL

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K. PHANINDRA REDDY ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Director General of Police, Chennai-4. The Commissioner of Police, Chennai-8. The Accountant General, Chennai-18/35. The Pay and Accounts Officer Concerned, Chennai.

Copy to:

The Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9. The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Chennai-9. The Finance (Home-I)/BG-I,II/W.M-I, Department, Chennai-9. Stock File/Spare Copy.

//FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER