



ABSTRACT

Highways Department – Construction and Maintenance Wing – Announcement made in Assembly during budget session 2022-2023 – Preparation of Detailed Project Report for Widening and Improvements in Km 0/0-77/400 of Paramanandhal in Tiruvannamalai district to Amirthi in Vellore district via Jamunamarathur –Administrative Sanction – Accorded – Orders - Issued.

Highways and Minor Ports (HQ2) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.116

Dated: 29.06.2022

சுபகிருது, ஆணி-15, திருவள்ளூர்வராண்டு-2053

Read:

From the Chief Engineer (H), Construction and Maintenance Letter No.7300(ii)/Thittam/2022/AE-1, dated 27.04.2022.

ORDER:

During the budget session the Hon'ble Minister for Public works has made the following announcement on 12.04.2022.

“திருவண்ணாமலை மாவட்டம் பரமனந்தல் முதல் ஜமூனாமரத்தூர் வழியாக வேலூர் மாவட்டம் அமிர்தி வரை உள்ள 77.40 கி.மீ. நீள மலைச்சாலையை அகலப்படுத்துதல் மற்றும் மேம்பாடு செய்தல் தொடர்பாக ரூ.70.00 இலட்சம் மதிப்பீட்டில் விரிவான திட்ட அறிக்கை தயாரிக்கப்படும்”.

2. In the letter read above, the Chief Engineer (H), Construction and Maintenance has stated that the road from Paramanandhal in Tiruvannamalai district to Amirthi in Vellore district branches at Km 6/6 of Chengam Kuppanatham road (Other District Road) of Tiruvannamalai District and ends at Km 3/8 (Junction) of Kalpattu road (Vellore Union road). The existing road from Paramanandhal to Amirthi road (via) hill road of Jamunamarathur has a total length of 77.40 Km, in which the road from Paramanandhal to Athipattu has a length of 38.60 Km and the road plying from Jamunamarathur to Amirthi to a length of 38.80 Km belongs to forest Department. These two roads are connected through important State Highways road Polur – Jammunamarathur Alangayam Vaniyambadi Road (SH-215) for a length of 2.80 Km. Paramanandhal to Amirthi road passes through 20 Habitation in Hill region.

3. The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has further stated that this road is more essential for transporting the Agriculture

products like paddies, honey, ragi, fruits and commercial products from villages in the hilling area to various market places in Polur, Chengam, Vellore and Tiruvannamalai. This Hill is having beautiful scenic spots like Bheeman Falls, biggest Kometteri Lake etc Kavalur Observatory and Zoological Park in Amirthi Forest at Km 2/0-2/770 of Amirthi to Jamunamarathur road are some of the other attractions. The biggest Neerathi Tree which is more than 1000 years old and the wonderful Glass House which was constructed during British period are located at Melpattu Village at the highest peak of Jawadhu Hills. The Vainupappu Observatory in Kavalur is having the biggest Telescope in Asia and it attracts the tourists and students in large numbers. The cave like stone houses were found in Kilsepilli (Valparai) which are more than 1500 years old. The Summer Festival (Kodaivizha) is being celebrated at every year. The cliffs and precipices of hills are the most attracting tourist spots.

4. The Tourists from Vellore, Chennai, other states like Andhra Pradesh are using Amirthi to Jamunamarathur hill road and the Tourists from Chengam, Tiruvannamalai, Krishnagiri and Karnataka are using Paramanandal to Amirthi road (via) Kovilur to visit the interesting Tourist places around the Jamunamarathur Hill and Amirthi Forest.

5. The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has stated that the existing alignment of proposed road runs through the Valley and the Hill. A large number of sharp / blind curves exist on the road with 12 numbers of hairpin bends. All hairpin bends in Cement concrete pavement are found in damaged condition. The existing carriageway is having inadequate width for Heavy loaded Vehicles to ply on this road and it is difficult to navigate at existing hairpin bends. In order to satisfy the long-standing demand of 75,000 nos of peoples living in the tribal area, it is absolutely necessary to widen and strengthen the road to a width of 5.50m from Paramanandal to Amirthi. Hence, a Detailed Project Report (DPR) has to be prepared for improvement of road.

6. The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department has therefore requested the Government to accord Administrative Sanction for taking up the work of "Preparation of Detailed Project Report for Widening and Improvements in Km 0/0-77/400 of Paramanandal in Tiruvannamalai district to Amirthi in Vellore district via Jamunamarathur" by engaging consultancy services for an amount of Rs.70.00 Lakh.

7. The Government after careful examination, accept the proposal of the Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance), Highways Department, hereby accord Administrative Sanction for taking up the work of "Preparation of Detailed Project Report for Widening and Improvements in Km 0/0-77/400 of Paramanandal in Tiruvannamalai district to Amirthi in Vellore district via Jamunamarathur" by engaging consultancy services for an amount of Rs 70,00,000/- (Rupees Seventy lakh only),

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

"5054 – Capital Outlay on Roads and Bridges – 80 – General – 004 – Research and Development - State's Expenditure – AA – Investigation / Estimation of project work under Roads and Bridges – 416 – Major works – 01 – Major works".
(IFHRMS-DPC:5054-80-004-AA-41601)

9. The Chief Engineer (Construction & Maintenance), Highways Department is instructed to obtain the concurrence of Forest Department before commencing the surveying and leveling works for preparing Detailed Project Report. He is also authorized to incur the expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above.

10. The expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above is an item of "New Instrument of Service". The approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawl of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Chief Engineer (Construction & Maintenance), Highways Department is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next Supplementary Estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (B.G-I) Department directly in Form 'A' appended to the Tamil Nadu 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 (B.G-I) Department. He is also directed to send a draft explanatory notes for including the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2022-2023 to Finance (BG-I / PW-I) Department without fail.

11. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.31033/PW1/22 dated 28.06.2022 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.0510 (Five Hundred and Ten) (IFHRMS Additional Sanction Ledger No.2022060510).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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The Chief Engineer (Construction and Maintenance),
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The Treasury Officer, Tiruvannamalai
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