

ABSTRACT

Information Technology Department – Supply of Tablet PC (iPad, etc.) / Laptop to All India Service Officers (IAS, IPS and IFS) of Tamil Nadu Cadre - Renewal of connectivity for the second year – Orders - Issued.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (OP) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt.) No.12

Dated: 02.02.2015 ஜய, தை–19, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு - 2046

Read:

- 1) G.O. (Ms.) No.7, Information Technology (OP) Department, dated 28.03.2013.
- 2) G.O. (Ms.) No.10, Information Technology (OP) Department, dated 28.05.2013.
- 3) Government Letter No.3639/IT(OP)/2013-1, dated 22.11.2013.
- 4) G.O.Rt.No.16, Information Technology (OP) Department, dated 26.2.2014.
- -5) Letter from the MD, ELCOT Ref: ELGOT/PROC/ C17/011/589/13-14, dated 03.10.2014.

ORDER:

In the reference first read above, orders were issued to procure and supply the Tablet PC (iPad, etc.)/Laptop to All India Service Officers (IAS, IPS and IFS) of Tamil Nadu Cadre by ELCOT.

- 2) The above said Government Order also directs ELCOT to provide 3G facility with high speed 3G data cards in order to facilitate smarter administration. In respect of connectivity, the G.O. indicates that the recurring cost on connectivity subject to the ceiling as may be prescribed in consultation with the Public (Telephones) Department and Information Technology Department, shall be reimbursed to the Officers from their respective departmental budgets.
- 3) ELCOT floated an open tender for providing connectivity and finalized the following:
 - "1 Year Subscription cost for 5GB usage per month on 7.2 Mbps followed by Unlimited usage on 144 Kbps (Data Card for Laptop, Standard SIM for Tablet and Micro SIM for iPad Free of cost) at Rs. 6,300/- (inclusive of all taxes, ELCOT Service Charges etc).

4) In the reference 3rd read above, Government restricted the Internet Connectivity rates towards one year subscription as follows:

Connectivity charges = Rs.5,340/Service tax of 12.36% = Rs. 660/ELCOT Service charge = Rs. 200/
Total Cost = Rs.6, 200/-

- 5) ELCOT had provided connectivity to All India Service Officers of Tamil Nadu Cadre in the first year, i.e. 2013-14. The connectivity was provided from September 2013 onwards for the first year and the officers have claimed the charges of Rs.6,200/- from their respective Departmental budgets under the detailed Head of Account "05. Office Expenses 01. Telephone Charges" and paid to ELCOT by Crossed Cheque. Laptop / Tablet / iPads were supplied to All India Service Officers belonging to Tamil Nadu cadre. Some of the officers currently working in Government of India /other Government of India Agencies were also supplied with and are utilizing the connectivity also.
- 6) In the reference 5th read above, the Managing Director, ELCOT has stated that he has received requests from some All India Service Officers of Tamil Nadu cadre who are on deputation to Central Government / Central Government Agencies for payment of subscription charges by ELCOT itself. The Managing Director, ELCOT has stated that as the foreign service Government is not sanctioning the amount, it is requested that the State Government may sanction the amount to reimburse expenditures incurred by the All India Service Officers concerned who are all on the other than the Tamil Nadu Government Service. He has further stated that the connectivity commenced from September 2013 onwards and the connectivity charges was sanctioned for one year period only. The connectivity given during September 2013 is already due for renewal.
- 7) He has further informed that connectivity has been provided to 560 AIS Officers so far. Now, as per the guidelines given by the Government, the individual officers are paying the amount from their respective offices concerned. In few cases, the department is paying two times for the officers who are in the same post. An Officer who may have got the connectivity from an office had been transferred and another officer who may have not received the connectivity in the earlier office is posted in that place is applying for the card and remitting the amount. Some Officers who have got the Laptop/Tablet PC/iPad are not applying for Data Card/SIM Card as they were not aware about provision of connectivity by ELCOT.

- 8) The Managing Director, ELCOT has therefore requested that the Government may release the cost of connectivity for the entire quantity as in the case of the amount released for the supply of Laptop/Tablet PC/iPad so as to enable ELCOT to arrange to supply and also for the renewal of the Data Card / SIM Card as per the requirement of the Officers.
- 9) The Managing Director, ELCOT has further stated that the cost of subscription charges per connectivity would be Rs.6,200/- (inclusive of VAT and Service charges) per year and the total cost for 700 connectivity per year would be Rs.43,40,000/-. He has therefore requested the Government to sanction an amount of Rs.43,40,000/- (Rupees Forty Three Lakhs and Forty Thousand only) as the renewal subscription charges for one year (the second year) and provide necessary fund allotment in BE/RE 2014-15.
 - 10) The Government, after careful examination, accord approval and sanction a sum of Rs.17,36,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs and Thirty Six Thousand only) to ELCOT towards the 50% of the cost of annual renewal subscription Data Card charges for 560 numbers and the balance required amount will be sanctioned after the actual payment is made by ELCOT.
 - 11) The expenditure sanctioned in para 10 above shall be debited to the following head of account :
 - 3451-00 Secretariat Economic Services 090. Secretariat Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan II. State Plan JH. Promotion of Information Technology Department 05. Office Expenses 01. Telephone Charges (DPC: 3451-00-090-JH-0516)
 - 12) Necessary funds will be provided in FMA, 2014-2015 to meet the expenditure sanctioned in para 10 above. Pending provision of funds, the Section Officer, Information Technology (Bills) Department is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 10 above to the Managing Director, Electronics Corporation of Tamil Nadu Limited Account No. 400381773 held in the Indian Bank, Nandanam Branch with Branch Code: 600019096 and IFS Code: IDIB000N078 through ECS. However, this expenditure will be brought to the notice of the Legislature by way of specific inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates, 2014-2015. The Section Officer, Information Technology (Bills) Department is directed to send necessary draft explanatory notes to include the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates, 2014-2015 and to include the expenditure in FMA, 2014-2015, while sending the budget proposals to Finance (Ind./BG.I) Department, without fail.

- 13) Government also issues orders to accept the informal request of certain Officers whose Data Cards have expired or are due to expire to renew their Data Cards and then seek reimbursement from ELCOT.
- 14) This Order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.3650/Ind/2015, dated 30.01.2015 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.2343 (Two Thousand Three Hundred and Forty Three).

(By Order of the Governor)

T.K.RAMACHANDRAN SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Managing Director, ELCOT, Chennai - 600 035.

All Secretaries to Government, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

All Heads of Department.

All District Collectors.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.

The Director General of Police, Chennai-4.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Chennai-18/9.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9.

The Section Officer, Information Technology (Bills) Department, Chennai-9.

Copy to:

The Public (Telephones) Department, Chennai-9.

The Finance (Ind./BG.I/BG.II) Department, Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Chief Secretary to Government, Chennai-9.

The Public (Special.A)/Special. B) Department, Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister for IT, Chennai-9.

The Resident Audit Officer, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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Section Officer