ABSTRACT

Tamil Nadu Water Resources Consolidation Project - Farmers Organisation and Turn Over - Implementation of Tamil Nadu Farmers' Management of Irrigation Systems Act, 2000 - Election to be conducted to the Water Users' Association - Instructions Issued

Public Works (W2) Department

G O (2D) 2 Dated 16.01.2004

Read:

G O Ms. No.10, Public Works(W2) Department, Dated 08.01.2004

2) From the Chief Engineer, Operation and Maintenance and Inter State Water, Letter No. B3/824/FOT-Elec/2002 dated 8/1/2004

ORDER:

In G O Ms. No. 10, Public Works Department, dated 8.1.2004, orders have been issued directing the Collectors of the following 19 districts to conduct elections to Water Users' Associations on 24.1.2004, 31.1.2004 and 7.2.2004 respectively as detailed below as per provisions contained in Tamil Nadu Farmers' Management of Irrigation Systems Act, 2000.

ELECTION SCHEDULE

| Name of Districts | Date of Election |
|---|---------------------|
| Tirunelveli,Thoothukudi, Tiruvallur,Pudukkottai, Dindigul, Madurai, Theni | 24.01.2004 |
| Virudhunagar Ramanathapuram Sivagangai Thiruvannamalai Vellore Kancheepuram | 31.01.2004 |
| Erode Coimbatore Dharmapuri Villupuram Cuddalore Kanniyakumari | 07.02.2004 |

Tamil Nadu Farmers' Management of Irrigation Systems Act, 2000 and Rules empower the District Collectors to make arrangements for conducting election for the constitution of Managing Committees of the Farmers Organisations.

2. The Tamil Nadu Farmers Management of Irrigation Systems Act, 2000 does not provide for collection of deposits from contesting candidates, appointment of election agents, polling agents and counting agents and regarding payment to the polling personnel.

3. After examining the above aspects, the Government hereby prescribe the following guidelines for the smooth conduct of elections to the Farmers Organisations.

The Collectors of the respective districts shall arrange to appoint election agents, polling agents and counting agents for the conduct of Election to Farmers Organisations. Necessary forms A, B & C have been prescribed for this purpose in the Annexures to this order.

The Collectors of the respective districts shall allow the Returning Officers to collect the non-refundable deposits at the rates prescribed in the Annexure-D to this order either by means of direct payment by cash or by submitting a chalan for remittance of the deposit in appropriate Government account and shall maintain necessary accounts in this regard.

The Collectors of the respective districts shall remit the deposits received in cash from the contesting candidates into the following deposit head of account. The contesting candidates who desire to remit the deposit directly in the Treasuries should also be requested to remit the deposits in the same following head of account.

" 0701.Major and Medium Irrigation 80. General - 800. Other receipts - AH. Receipts from the contesting candidates for Water Users' Associations Election"

(DPC 0701 80 800 AH 0004).

The Collectors of the respective districts shall arrange to make payment to the polling personnel as remuneration at the rates mentioned in the Annexure - E to this order.

- 4. The Collectors are also requested to strictly adhere to the above guidelines for the smooth conduct of Elections to Farmers Organisations.
- 5. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No. 41/DS(VNP)/2004-1 Dated 14.1.2004.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

N S PALANIAPPAN SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Collectors (19 Districts)

The Chief Engineer, Operation and Maintenance, Water Resources Organisation, Chennai-5

The Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Organisation, Public Works Department, Chennai-5

The Regional Chief Engineers, Water Resources Organisation

The Special Commissioner and Commissioner for Revenue Administration, Disaster Management and Mitigation, Chepauk, Chennai-5

The Treasury Officer of the Districts (19 Districts)

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-35

The Accountant General, Chennai-18/35

The Accountant General, Chennai 18/35 (by name)

Copy to:

The Secretary-II to Chief Minister, Chennai-9

The Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Chenni-9

The Finance (PW/BG-II) Department, Chennai-9

Special PA to Minister (Public Works, P & E and Revenue), Chennai-9

/ Forwarded: by order /

SECTION OFFICER