



ABSTRACT

Hon'ble Chief Minister's announcement - Elementary Education - Panchayat Union / Municipal Primary and Middle School Teachers Provident Fund Accounts – Transfer of the Accounts maintenance from Government Data Centre to Accountant General (A&E), Tamil Nadu – Orders issued.

School Education (EE1(1) Department

GO (Ms) No.169

Dated 20.10.2015

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2046
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Read:-

1. GO(Ms)No.414, Education Department, dated 09.03.1981,
2. From the Prl. AG.(A&E) Tamil Nadu, Letter No.Pr.AG.(A&E) FM-1/FT-3/V1/TPF/13-14/2/16027 dated 09.05.2014
3. From the Commissioner Government Data Centre Lr.No. 3078/D1/2011-50, dated 02.09.2014
4. From the Director of Elementary Education Lr.Rc.No.20046/C2/2012 dated 24.10.2014.
5. Hon'ble Chief Minister's announcement under Rule 110 of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 23.09.2015.

Order:

On 23.09.2015, the Hon'ble Chief Minister under Rule 110 of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly has announced the following.

“...தொடக்க மற்றும் நடுநிலைப் பள்ளிகளில் 31.03.2003க்கு முன்னர் பணி நியமனம் பெற்று பணிபுரியும் ஆசிரியர்கள் மற்றும் தலைமை ஆசிரியர்களின் வருங்கால வைப்பு நிதிக் கணக்குகள் அரசு தகவல் தொகுப்பு மையத்திலிருந்து நடப்புக் கல்வி ஆண்டு முதல் மாநிலக் கணக்காயர் அவர்களின் பராமரிப்பில் கொண்டு வரப்படும். இதன் மூலம் சுமார் 1 இலட்சத்து 19 ஆயிரம் ஆசிரியர்கள் பயனடைவர் ”

2. In the GO 1st read above the Panchayat Union Teachers and certain categories of non-teaching staff of the Panchayat Union Schools have been absorbed as Government Servants with effect from 01.06.1981. While bringing the Elementary, Middle and High Schools under the control of Government of Tamilnadu from the respective Panchayat Unions the Provident Fund accounts of the High School teachers were brought under the control of the Accountant General, Tamilnadu, whereas, the Provident Fund accounts of the Elementary and Middle

School Teachers were kept under the control of the respective Panchayat Unions and Municipalities. As a result, the Provident Fund of the High School teachers are administered by the Office of the Accountant General, Tamilnadu, but the collection and administration of the provident fund of the Elementary and Middle School teachers are administered by the Government Data Centre subject to Local Fund audit only. Every month, crores of rupees (Rs.210 Crores approx. per month) are being collected towards provident fund by the respective Assistant Elementary Educational Officers. Various Teachers Associations have been requesting the Government to consider transferring the provident fund account of the Elementary and Middle School teachers also to the Accountant General, Tamil Nadu as done in the case of High School and Higher Secondary School Teachers. They have also stated that even though they are teachers appointed in Panchayat Union / Municipal Schools, they are also employees of the Government and hence, they should be treated on par with the teachers of High and Higher secondary Schools whose Provident Fund accounts are being maintained by the Office of the Accountant General and have requested the Government to intervene and find an immediate solution.

3. The Comptroller & Auditor General was requested to take the maintenance of Teachers Provident Fund Accounts of the Panchayat Union and Municipal School Teachers and to bring the same under the control of the Office of the Principal Accountant General (Accounts and Entitlements) Tamil Nadu, Chennai, starting from the period 01.04.2011. This will enable all the teachers of the Tamil Nadu State to be on the same parameters with respect to the provident fund maintenance and would also reduce the hardships that are being faced by the Panchayat Union and Municipal School teachers at the time of their retirement.

4. The Principal Accountant General (A&E) in its letter 2nd read above has communicated the approval of the Comptroller and Auditor General for taking over the maintenance of Teachers Provident Fund account of Tamil Nadu Panchayat Union and Municipal Elementary and Middle Schools with the following conditions.

a) The work will be taken over by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India, from the accounting year 2014-15 onwards. The figures of closing balance as on 31/03/2014 should be sent to the Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18, within a stipulated period as may be communicated by the State Government.

b) The State Government should be responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the closing balance as on 31st March, 2014. The closing balance should be certified and communicated by the State Government to the subscribers for verification before forwarding to Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18.

c) The State Government will be responsible for the resolution, vis a vis the subscribers or their heirs, of any dispute on the figures appearing as part of the closing balance as on 31st March, 2014, or at any time, even after the accounts are taken over by Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18. Any modification to the closing balance earlier communicated to Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18, will have to be forwarded by the State Government and such

modification will be carried out by Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18.

d) If a subscriber retires / dies before the closing balance as on 31st March, 2014 have been forwarded to Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai, the competent authority under the State Government will have to certify the closing balance as on 31st March, 2014 at the time of forwarding the final withdrawal applications of these subscribers to Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai.

e) Till the certified closing balance as on 31/03/2014 is communicated, Principal Accountant General (A&E), Chennai – 18, will start the work of posting of credits and debits for the period 2014-15 onwards without opening balance and the annual accounts statements will be issued to the subscribers clearly mentioning this fact.

5. The Commissioner, Government Data Centre in the letter 3rd read above has stated that they have no objection to hand over the maintenance of Teachers Provident Fund accounts of Tamil Nadu Panchayat Union and Municipal Elementary and Middle Schools to the Principal Accountant General.

6. The Director of Elementary Education in his letter 4th read above has also sent the proposal to the Government for transferring the Provident Fund Accounts of the Panchayat Union and Municipal Primary and Middle School Teachers from Government Data Centre to the Principal Accountant General, Tamil Nadu.

7. In order to implement the announcement made by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on the floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 23.09.2015 the Government have examined the proposal of the Principal Accountant General and the Director of Elementary Education in detail. Accordingly the Government direct that the maintenance of Teachers Provident Fund accounts of Tamil Nadu Panchayat Union and Municipal Primary and Middle School Teachers be transferred from the Government Data Centre to the Principal Accountant General (A&E) of Tamil Nadu with effect from the accounting year 2014-2015 onwards subject to the following condition.

- i) The Director of Elementary Education is to ensure the handing over of all the relevant Teachers Provident Fund records pertaining to the pending Assistant Elementary Educational Officer's Offices to the Chief Internal Auditor.
- ii) The Office of the Chief Internal Auditor is to ensure the Completion of the audit of the Teachers Provident Fund accounts pertaining to the all Assistant Elementary Educational Officer's offices.
- iii) On receipt of the audit completion reports from the Office of the Assistant Elementary Educational Officer's, the Government Data Centre is to ensure that all the Teachers Provident Fund schedules, along with the closing balances of the Teachers Provident Fund accounts as on 31.03.2014 are kept ready for transfer to the Principal Accountant General (A&E).

- iv) The Director of Elementary Education shall monitor and coordinate with all the stakeholders involved in order to ensure the seamless transfer of all the Teachers Provident Fund accounts as per the above schedule from Government Data Centre to the Principal Accountant General (A&E).

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.11746/Finance (All)/2015-1, dated 03.03.2015.

(By Order of the Governor)

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To
The Accountant General (A&E),
Chennai – 18,
Government Data Centre, Chennai – 25,
✓ The Director of Elementary Education, Chennai – 6,
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✓ Finance (Allowances) Department, Chennai – 9,
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//Forwarded by Order//

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23/10/15
Section Officer.