

Abstract

Establishment – Transfer of the administrative control of Children Homes under the control of Directorate of Social Welfare and bringing into the administrative control of the Directorate of Social Defence - Orders - Issued.

Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (SW8(1)) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 74

Dated 30-11-2015 மன்மத, கார்த்திகை 14, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2046

Read:

- 1) From the Director of Social Defence Letter No. 37/A1/2012 Dated. 18.07.2012.
- 2) From the Director of Social Welfare Letter Roc.No. 21428/CW-1/2012 Dated. 16.08.2012.

ORDER:-

At present, in Tamil Nadu, the Child Welfare Services and Schemes are being implemented by the two Directorates viz. Directorate of Social Welfare and Directorate of Social Defence under the control of Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department, Government of Tamil Nadu.

- 2. The Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India is providing funds for implementing the Integrated Child Protection Scheme in the State including provision of funds for the Child Care Institutions. At present, the Social Defence Department and Social Welfare Department are obtaining administrative and financial approval from the State Government separately. This has caused undue delay in obtaining financial assistance from the Government of India and further caused bottlenecks in the administration at various levels. This, in turn has caused delay in providing benefits to the children at the required time. Moreover, there are considerable chances of duplication of granting monetary assistance to Non-Governmental Organisations for identical schemes run by both the departments.
- 3. The Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India has also requested the State Government to bring all the Children Homes under one Department, so that a comprehensive proposal could be considered for funding under Integrated Child Protection Scheme.

- 4. In pursuance to above, the Commissioner of Social Defence has sent a detailed proposal in consultation with the Director of Social Welfare for bringing all the Children Homes functioning in the State under the control of the Directorate of Social Defence since the Department of Social Defence deals with the Child Welfare issues, implements Juvenile Justice Act and is better equipped to deal with child related issues.
- 5. The Government have examined the above proposal and has decided to accept the proposal and issue orders as follows:
 - i. the Director of Social Defence is designated as competent Authority to register all the Child Care Institutions in the State under Juvenile Justice Act 2000 as amended in 2006.
 - ii. the Administrative control of 26 Government run Children Homes (Government Orphanages) are transferred from the control of Commissionerate of Social Welfare to the control of the Directorate of Social Defence.
- iii. Supervisory powers on the Children Homes run by Non-Governmental Organisations which are presently vested with the Commissioner of Social Welfare are transferred to the Director of Social Defence.
- iv. All the 551 posts sanctioned to 26 Government run Children Homes (Government Orphanages) (as is where is basis) which are functioning under the control of Commissionerate of Social Welfare and 2 Assistant posts in the Office of the Commissionerate of Social Welfare are transferred to the fold of Directorate of Social Defence for absorption.
- 6. The Director of Social Defence is requested to send necessary proposal for framing rules and procedures regarding the re-deployment governing the service conditions of the personnel to be transferred from the Commissionerate of Social Welfare to the Directorate of Social Defence to Government for approval.

(By order of the Governor)

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Principal Secretary to Government

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The Director of Social Defence, Chennai-10.
The Director-cum-Mission Director,
Integrated Child Development Scheme, Chennai -113.
The Secretary, Ministry of Women and Child Development,
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Section Officer 30.11.2015