



Tourism – Announcement made by Hon’ble Chief Minister in the Collectors & Police Officers Conference 2013 – State Plan Schemes – Provision of Tourist Infrastructure at Top Station, Bodinayakanur in Theni District – Sanction of Rs.98.00 lakhs –Orders – Issued.

**Tourism, Culture & Religious Endowments.(T3) Department**

**G.O.(Ms.) No.59**

**Dated: 19.5.2014**

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**Read:**

1. Announcement made by Hon’ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu during Collector & Police Officers Conference held from 11.12.2013 to 13.12.2013.
2. From the District Collector, Theni, Letter No.5516/2013/RD10, dated 17.2.2014.
3. From the Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism, letter No.7591/PD2/2013, dated: 21.02.2014

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**ORDER:**

During the District Collectors and Police Officers Conference held from 11.12.2013 to 13.12.2013, the following announcement has been made by the Hon’ble Chief Minister:-

“infrastructure facilities will be provided to improve Tourism at ‘Top Station’ in Bodi Taluk in Theni District”.

2. In this connection, the Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism in his letter third read above, has stated that the District Collector, Theni has furnished a proposal for provision of Tourist Infrastructure facilities at Top Station in Bodi Taluk, Theni District at an estimated cost of Rs.98.00 lakhs with the following components:-

Sl. No.	Name of the work	Amount (Rupees in lakhs)
1	Construction work of waiting shed in Top station and to Kurangani for providing infrastructure facilities for Eco-Tourism in Mundal Section, Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	15.00
2	Levelling the grounds and construction of retaining walls and fixing barricades as per site requirement in Top Station and Central Station and at Palaru for Eco Tourism in Mundal Section – Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	15.00
3	Providing natural trails and maintenance of existing trekking routes in Top Station to Kurangani for Eco Tourism in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	5.00
4	Construction of interpretation Centre at Top Station for Eco Tourism in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	8.00

5	Construction of Food Court to serve local traditional food items to the tourist visiting at Top Station for Eco-Tourism in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	8.00
6	Construction of Eco shops at Top Station for Eco Tourism in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	5.00
7	Formation of viewing platform - 2 Nos. for Eco Tourism in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	6.00
8	Construction of watch tower for Eco Tourism at Top Station in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	6.50
9.	Construction work of Eco friendly, Tourist dormitory for Eco Tourism at Top Station in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	10.00
10	Walk Paths and steps for easy treading from Top Station to Kurangani to a distance of 10 kms for Eco Tourism at Top Station in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	8.00
11	Binoculars and Spotting Scopes for Eco Tourism at Top Station in Mundal Section Kottagudi RF in Bodi Range	2.00
12	Construction of Landscaping and providing other increational facilities at Top Station to Kurangani in Mundal Section Kottagudi Reserve Forest in Bodi Range	9.50
	Total..	<b>98.00</b>

(Rupees ninety eight lakhs only)

3. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Tourism has requested the Government to consider and approve the proposal of District Collector, Theni for providing infrastructure facilities at Top Station, Theni District for Rs.98.00 lakhs as it is announced by Hon'ble Chief Minister and also requested that he may be authorised to draw the amount of Rs.98.00 lakhs and permitted to disburse the same to the District Collector, Theni to execute the works through District Forest Officer, Theni Division, Theni.

4. The Government after careful examination has decided to accept the proposal of the Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism and issue orders as follows:-

- (i) Sanction is accorded to Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism for a sum of Rs.98.00 lakhs (Rupees ninety eight lakhs only) for the provision of Tourist Infrastructure facilities at Top Station in Theni District, to carry out the works mentioned at para 2 above.
- (ii) The Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism is authorised to draw the amount sanctioned above and permitted to disburse the same to the District Collector, Theni to execute the works through District Forest Officer, Theni Division, Theni.

5. The amount sanctioned above shall be debited in the following head of account:-

“5452-Capital outlay on Tourism -01 – Tourist Infrastructure - 101- Tourist Centres – Schemes in the twelfth five year plan – II State Plan – - KV Improvement of basic facilities in Tourist Centres – 16 Major works” (DPC 5452 01 101 KV 1604)

6. The Principal Secretary /Commissioner of Tourism shall ensure that necessary arrangements are made in Top Station in Bodinayakanur in Theni District to visibly indicate that the above works were carried out through State Tourism Department funds.

7 This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.24856/Edn.II/2014, dated 13.5.2014 and the Environment & Forest Department vide its U.O.No.81113/FR5/2014-1, dated 08.5.2014.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**R. KANNAN**  
**ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Saidapet, Chennai – 15.  
The District Collector, Theni District.  
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9.  
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9.  
(through Commissioner of Tourism)  
The Accountant General, Chennai-9/18.

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