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### **ABSTRACT**

TNIAMP- Incremental Operating cost for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 for hiring of vehicles, procurement of consumables and providing Internet facilities etc., for State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre under A1 Component of TNIAM Project at an estimated amount of Rs.26.35 lakhs- Administrative Sanction- Accorded-Orders -Issued.

### **Water Resources (WR1) Department**

G.O.(D) No.192

Dated 30.8.2023

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Read:-

1. G.O. (Ms) No. 140, Public Works (WR1) Department, dated 22.5.2018
2. From the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai Letter No. TNIAMP /F 104/ Empowered Committee /2017, dated 12.05.2023.

### **ORDER:**

In the Government Order first read above, block administrative sanction was accorded for a sum of Rs.2962 Crore for TN IAMP with a project period of 7 years from 2017 to 2024 (455.80 Million US Dollar including the fund assistance of 318 million US Dollar from the World Bank at the exchange rate of Rs.64.98 per US Dollar).

2. In the letter second read above, the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai has stated that this Project comprises of the following three main components.

- A. Irrigation and Water Management.
- B. Agriculture Productivity Enhancement.
- C. Project Management Support.

The objective of Component A is to improve agriculture water management, covering both supply and demand aspects. It consists of following four interrelated sub-components:-

- A.1. Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Building for Water Management.

A.2. Irrigation Systems Modernisation.

A.3. Participatory Irrigation Management and

A.4. Convergence for Improved Service Delivery.

The sub-component A1 will support Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Building Activities for Water Resources Department and its allied agencies. An amount of Rs.51.33 Crores has been sanctioned for sub-component A1. This sub-component will finance for

•	Training for both within the WRD and allied agencies for strengthening the state's capacity of water resources planning and management.
•	Technical assistance for studies of ICT-based modern technologies and river basin master plans.
•	Experts, consultants, equipments and operating expenses.
•	Improving Institutional Infrastructure to support data collection and analysis etc.,

Under the component A1 Institutional strengthening and Capacity Building for Water Management of TNIAMP, a provision has been made for Incremental Operating Costs (e.g. vehicle hire/travel, internet, consumables, etc.) for Strengthening Water Resources Management Institutions (SWaRMA, IWS, State Ground & Surface Water Resource Data Centre)

3. He has further justified the necessity to provide incremental Operating cost for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 to SG&SWRDC wing as below:-

- Apart from the regular works, this wing has taken up TNIAMP phase I, phase II and Phase III. As a part of TNIAM project, the artificial recharge well structures are being constructed under the ground water component by Ground Water Divisions at Chennai, Vellore, Cuddalore, Salem and Trichy Divisions.
- All Sub Division under Ground Water Divisions are in charge of maintaining and collecting data from SRG (Standard Rainfall Gauge) stations, ARG (Automatic Rainfall Gauge) Stations, TARG (Telemetric Automatic Rainfall Gauge) stations, AWS (Automatic Weather Station), GD (Gauge Discharge) stations and FCS (Fully Climatic Station). Monthly ground water level is being observed at open wells and bore-wells. The jurisdiction of each Sub Division is very vast covering more number of Taluks and District.



- Apart from the regular monthly works, the construction of artificial recharge well structures under TNIAMP are also being undertaken by the Sub Divisions and the works are under progress.
- The ceiling limit of diesel available is only sufficient for observing water levels in the first week of the month in their respective jurisdiction. Few Jeeps have become very out dated and managed to run with frequent repairs covering very less mileage.
- So it is inevitable to hire the private vehicle for carrying out the works in an efficient and timely manner. Moreover consumables are also necessary for the report and map preparation and other progress related works. Internet facility is inevitable to communicate progress reports, instructions to officials and to carry out all the works in an efficient and time bounded manner.
- An estimate has been prepared for 2 consecutive years i.e., (2023-24, 2024-25) as per the actual requirement and based on the quotations received. The estimate was prepared for the year 2023-24 with 5% Price Escalation charges for the year 2024-25, including GST @ 18% and unforeseen items.
- Hence, the proposal for the "Incremental Operating cost for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 for Hiring of vehicles, procurement of consumables and providing Internet facilities etc., for State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre (SG&SWRDC) wing under A1 Component i.e., Institutional Strengthening and Capacity Building for Water Management of TNIAM Project" for an amount of Rs.26.35 lakhs was prepared. The above said proposal was circulated among the members of Empowered Committee and it has been cleared by the Empowered Committee on 08.05.2023.

4. The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai has therefore requested the Government to accord administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.26.35 lakhs towards incremental Operating cost for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 for hiring of vehicles, procurement of consumables and providing Internet facilities etc., to State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre (SG&SWRDC) wing under A1 Component of World Bank funded TNIAM Project.

5. Based on the approval of the Empowered Committee, the Government have decided to accept the proposal of the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai and hereby accord administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.26.35 lakh towards incremental Operating cost for the year 2023-24, 2024-25 for hiring of vehicles, procurement of consumables and providing Internet facilities etc., to State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre (SG&SWRDC) wing under A1 Component of World Bank funded TNIAM Project and

financial sanction for a sum of Rs.12,85,350/- (Rupees Twelve lakh eighty five thousand three hundred and fifty only) in the current FY 2023-2024.

6. The expenditure sanctioned at para 5 above shall be debited to the following head of account :-

"2701 – Medium Irrigation – 80 General – 800 – Other Expenditure - Externally Aided Project – PC – Operating Cost for State Ground and Surface Water Resources Data Centre under TNIAMP.

( Amount in Rs.)

Sl. No	Description	Detailed, Sub detailed and DPC	Sanctioned Amount	
			2023-24	2024-25
1.	Hiring Charge for vehicles	321 Motor Vehicles - 03 Hire Charges.(DPC: 2701-80-800-PC-32103)	8,23,050	8,64,203
2.	Procurement of consumables for report preparation	376 Computer and Accessories - 03 Stationery.(DPC 2701-80-800-PC- 37603)	3,91,500	4,11,107
3.	Providing Internet facilities including Dongle / Broadband deposit charges	305 Office Expenses – 01 Telephone charges.(DPC 2701-80-800-PC -30501)	70,800	74,340
		<b>Total</b>	<b>12,85,350</b>	<b>13,49,650</b>

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall constitute an item of "New Service" and the approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the legislature, the expenditure will be met by drawl of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai. is directed to send a necessary proposals to Government in Finance (BG-I) Department directly in Form 'A' appended to the Tamil Nadu Contingency Fund Rules, 1963 along with a copy of this order for sanction of an advance from the Contingency fund. Orders regarding which will be issued by Finance (BG-I) Department separately. He is also directed to send necessary explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimate 2023-2024 to Finance (Infrastructure-II/BG-I) Department at an appropriate time without fail.



8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.2341/WR1/2023, dated:29.8.2023 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.836 (Eight hundred and thirty six) (IFHRMS ASL. No. 2023080836).

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**SANDEEP SAXENA  
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Additional Chief Secretary and Project Director, TN IAM Project,  
MDPU Office, Chennai-5.

The Engineer in Chief & Chief Engineer (General),  
Water Resources Department, Chennai – 5.

The Chief Engineer, State Ground & Surface Water Resources Data Centre,  
Water Resources Department, Chennai-113.

The Principal Accountant General (Audit / A&E), Teynampet, Chennai-18.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (East), Egmore, Chennai-8.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (south), Chennai-35.

Copy to:-

The Finance (Infra-II/BG I/BG II/W&M I) Department, Chennai – 9.

The Resident Audit Officer, Office of the Principal Accountant General  
(General and Social Sector Audit), Secretariat, Chennai – 9.

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**//FORWARDED BY ORDER//**

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30/08/2023  
**SECTION OFFICER**  
30.08.2023