

Abstract

Sports – Competitions – Conduct of Rugby 7s 2016 (Men and Women) in Tamil Nadu – Sanction of Financial Assistance – Orders – Issued.

YOUTH WELFARE AND SPORTS DEVELOPMENT (S2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.15

Dated: 02.03.2016

மாசி 19, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2047

Read:

1. Letter Rc.No.15835/EM.I/2015, dated 20.01.2016 from Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

2. Letter Rc.No.15835/EM.1/2015, dated 27.01.2016 from Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu.

ORDER:

In his letter first read above, the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has stated that during the year 2015, the Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union has conducted for the first time, the Rugby Asian 7s – Pre-qualifier for the 2016 Rio Olympics for both Men and Women in Chennai from 6th to 8th March 2015 at Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, Chennai. The Government vide G.O.(Ms) No.17, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, dated 11.3.2015 have sanctioned a financial assistance of Rs.1.00 crore to the Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union for conducting the event at Chennai as a special case.

- 2. The Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has also stated that though Rugby is an Olympic game discipline, is not very popular in the State. It is evident from the fact that there were hardly 200 spectators in the finals of Asian 7s Rio Olympic pre-qualifier held in 2015 at Chennai. The Tamil Nadu State teams have secured 6th and 5th position in men and women category respectively in the Federation Cup for the year 2015. There is hardly any District level and State level competition being organized by Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union. There is a lot to be done by Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union for promoting this game.
- 3. Further in his letter 2nd read above, the Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has stated that, as regards, the financial assistance, the Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union has submitted the budgeted

expenditure on the event and the total expenditure has been worked out at Rs.3.91 crores. On seeking utilization of the grant released i.e. Rs.1.00 crore in the last financial year for conduct of Olympic League Pre-Qualifier in the month of February, 2015, the association has submitted details of item wise expenditure to the extent of Rs.1,19,73,067/- On comparison of the expenditure proposed to be incurred in the current year event, with reference to the expenditure actually incurred last year, the following observations are made:

- The Boarding and Lodging expenditure has gone up by more than 100%
- 2. Estimated expenditure on Food and Catering has also been doubled.
- 3. The expenditure on "Production" has been Rs.30 lakhs in the last year. This component has gone up manifold this year. The cost on advertisement, press, hoardings etc. has been projected very high. Therefore, the estimates submitted by Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union appears to be highly inflated.
- 4. The Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has added that going by the actual expenditure by Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union in the last year event, the total expenditure on conduct of this event may not be more than Rs.1.2 crores. Of this, the cost on advertisement, hoardings, flux charges can always be met through sponsorship. Thus the expenditure which may be eligible to be funded is of the order of Rs.90 lakhs. The Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union has also not hinted at the contribution by National Federation or Asian Federation or Sports Authority of India or Government of India.
- 5. The Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu has therefore requested the Government to consider sanction of financial assistance not exceeding Rs.50.00 lakhs for conducting the aforesaid tournament.
- 6. The Government after careful examination, sanction a sum of Rs.25,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty five lakhs only) as financial assistance to Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union for hosting the Rugby Asian 7s 2016 (Men and Women) in Tamil Nadu on 20th and 21st February, 2016.
- 7. The expenditure sanctioned at para 6 above shall be debited to the following Head of account.

"2204 – 00 Sports and Youth Services - 104 Sports and Games – I.Non-Plan – AS Grants to Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu for Financial Assistance to Sports Associations – 09 Grants-in-Aid-01 Grants for Current Expenditure (DPC 2204 00 104 AS 0915)"

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para 6 above constitutes an item of "New Instrument of Service". The approval of the Legislature will be obtained in due

course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next supplementary estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (BG-I) Department directly in Form 'A' appended to the Tamil Nadu Contingency Fund Rules, 1963 along with a copy of this order. Orders for sanction of advance from the Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (BG-I) Department. He is also requested to send necessary explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates 2016-2017 to Finance (BG-I) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

9. The Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu, subject to para 8 above, shall prepare the bill and present it to the Pay and Accounts Officer, Secretariat, Chennai-9 through the Under Secretary to Government, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, Chennai. The above sanctioned amount shall not be paid in cash but shall be credited into the following Head of account:-

"K Deposits and Advances (B) Deposits not bearing interest-8443 00 Civil Deposits-800 Other Deposits-CH Deposits of Tamil Nadu Sports Development Authority (DPC 8443 00 800 CH 000D)" by means of Cheque / Demand Draft drawn in favour of PD Account No.6184513932.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.15608/Edu-I/16, dated 02.03.2016 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.2504, [Two thousand five hundred and four].

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Dr.RAJENDRA KUMAR PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Secretary / Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu,

Chennai-84.

The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Rugby Football Union, Chennai-85. (Through Member Secretary, Sports Development Authority of Tamil

Nadu, Chennai-84)

The Accountant General, Tamil Nadu, Chennai-18.

The Resident Audit Officer, Accountant General (CAS), Chennai-9.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9.

The Deputy Secretary / Under Secretary to Government,

Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, Chennai-9.

Copy to

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister (Finance & Public Works), Chennai-9.

The Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister (Sports and Youth Welfare), Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government, Youth Welfare and Sports Development Department, Chennai-9.

The Fin (Edn-I/BG-I/BG-II) Department, Chennai-9 Sf/Scs.

//Forwarded by order//

Section Officer 2.3. K