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#### I. INTRODUCTION

Being an important element of Criminal Justice System, the Prisons and Correctional Services, functioning under the State Government, has the onerous task of maintaining and protecting a responsible, peaceful and safe society by enforcing court imposed sentences and keeping the inmates in safe custody by maintaining their human dignity and developing their sense of social responsibility.

The aim of correctional services include endurance of punishment, reformation, rehabilitation, deterrence of Crime, supervision of

criminals and preparing offenders for reintegration with the society as responsible citizens. The period of incarceration therefore, not only makes them law abiding but also enable them to become self sufficient, post their release.

The innovative Welfare Programmes and the skills inculcated in them imparted through various trainings in Prison Industry enable them to lead a independent dignified life in the civil society post their release.

The Correctional Administration being an institutional setup, is constantly upgraded to meet the current demands keeping in mind the requirement of security, discipline and reforms taking place in the correctional services.

#### II. PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

There are 142 Prisons under the control of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services, which includes 9 Central Prisons, 5 Special Prisons for Women,14 District Jails, 89 Sub Jails for Men, 7 Sub Jails for Women, 1 Special Sub Jail for Men, 2 Special Sub Jails for Women, 12 Borstal Schools and 3 Open Air Prisons.

The Department is under the Head of a senior I.P.S. Officer in the rank of Director General of Police / Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, under the administrative control of Home Department. He is assisted by a Deputy Inspector General of Prisons at Headquarters and five Deputy Inspector General of Prisons at Chennai, Vellore, Coimbatore, Trichy and Madurai Ranges. The organizational structure of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services is given in **Annexure-I.** 

The Superintendents of Prisons are controlling the administration of Central Prisons, District Jails, Special Sub Jails, Open Air Prisons, Sub Jails and Borstal Schools under their respective jurisdictions. The Women Superintendents of Prisons are controlling the administration of

Special Prisons for Women at Puzhal, Trichy & Vellore. The Women Additional Superintendents of Prisons are controlling the administration of Special Prisons for Women at Coimbatore and Madurai. The Additional Superintendents of Prisons are in-charge of District Jails and assist the Superintendents of Prisons in supervising the Special Sub-Jails, Open Air Prisons, Sub Jails and Borstal Schools in their respective districts.

The Department of Prisons and Correctional Services also has personnel in the cadre of Jailor / Deputy Jailor / Assistant Jailor / Chief Head Warder / Grade-I Warder / Grade-II Warder/ Technical / Non-Technical/ Correctional / Medical and Ministerial staff.

The total cadre strength of the Department as on 31.03.2021 is **5452**.

The total authorized capacity of all prisons in the State is **23,592.** The prison wise authorized accommodation is given in **Annexure-II**.

#### III. CLASSIFICATION OF PRISONS

Central Prisons are meant for confinement of prisoners who are sentenced to death, life imprisonment and imprisonment for a period exceeding three months, prisoners convicted for major offences, notorious, habitual and high risk categories, civil debtors, detenus. Under trial and remand prisoners are lodged in Central Prisons as per classification and segregation and are kept separately in different blocks accordingly. All foreign convict/ remand/ under trial prisoners are lodged in the Prisons at the Puzhal Prison Complex at Chennai.

Remand /Under trial prisoners and those who are sentenced to less than three months imprisonment by the Courts in the Districts are alone lodged in the District Jails concerned. Remand Prisoners who have committed offences which are not serious in nature are lodged in Sub Jails.

Special Prison for Women is meant for confinement of only women prisoners. Women prisoners involved in serious offences are confined in the five Special Prisons for Women. Remand and Under trial women prisoners who have committed offences which are not serious are lodged in Special Sub Jails and Sub Jails for Women and these women prisons are exclusively guarded by Women Personnel.

Convicted Adolescent Offenders between the age of 18 and 21 are lodged in Borstal School, Pudukottai and other pre-convicted adolescent offenders are confined in 11 Borstal Schools.

# IV. WINGS OF DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES

The following wings are functioning in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services.

#### i) Probation Wing

The Probation Wing of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services consist of 64 Probation Officers and 12 Regional Probation Officers headed by a Chief Probation Superintendent. The Probation Officers make enquiries for court regarding the behaviour pattern of the offenders and their living conditions. They also supervise the offenders released on probation and attend to their rehabilitation. The main function is to secure the first offenders on probation subject to certain conditions instead of committing them in prisons. The officials of Probation Wing visit the Prisons, interview them concerning their needs examine their specific requests. The Probation function as Officers bridae between a prisoners and their families. The Government have also ordered the Probation Officers to make visit to Police lockups in order to ensure that there is no violation of Human Rights.

#### ii) Intelligence cum Vigilance Wing

In order to monitor the activities of the prisoners and personnel of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services and to collect important sensitive information for effective and management of the Prison Administration and exchange intelligence with the other intelligence agencies, Intelligence cum Vigilance Wing has been created which consists of 20 officials deputed from Police Department and 13 officials from Department of Prisons and Correctional Services.

#### iii) Legal Cell

To render legal advice and assistance in Court Cases a Management called "Legal Cell" has been constituted in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services Headquarters which is headed by a Legal Advisor in the cadre of

Assistant Public Prosecutor (Grade-I) drawn from the Office of the Director of Prosecution.

#### iv) Technical Wing

For the maintenance and up-keep of the modern gadgets provided to the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services, a "Technical Wing" has been created which consists of one Inspector (Technical) and 10 Sub Inspectors (Technical). This Wing functions in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services Headquarters and in all the Central Prisons.

#### v) Motor Transport Wing

For the maintenance of motor vehicles used in Department of Prisons and Correctional Services and to supervise the work of the drivers, a "Motor Transport Wing" has been created and it is maintained by a Reserve Inspector of Police (Category II).

#### **V) HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT**

#### Recruitment

The post of Grade II Warders (Men and Women) for Department of Prisons and Correctional Services are being recruited by Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Tamil Board. The Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board has issued notification for recruitment of 119 (112 Male and 7 Female) Grade-II warders for the year 2020. The written examination was conducted and after conducting of police verification and medical examination, eligible candidates will be appointed in the post of Grade II Warders and basic training will be given to them at Warders Training Centre, Trichy.

The post of Jailor (Men and Women) for Department of Prisons and Correctional Services are being recruited through Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission by Direct Recruitment. At

present, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission has issued notification for filling of one post of Jailor.

The post of Assistant Jailors (Men and Women) are also being recruited through the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission by Direct Recruitment.

#### **Training**

#### i) Warders Training

To impart basic training for 130 Warders at a time, Warders Training Centre has been established at Vellore under the control of the Superintendent of Prisons, Central Prison, Vellore. It has all supporting staff and other facilities.

The training programme includes six months of basic training in drill, discipline and handling modern weapons and gadgets management and correctional methods and one

month practical training in Central Prisons so as to orient them on the field. "Special Emphasis" is also given on the human rights of the prisoners.

The Police Commando School at Marutham, Chennai are also utilized by this Department to impart training to Warders in various courses such as Unarmed Combat, Bomb Detection and Disposal, Commando Training etc.

The Warders are also trained in Unarmed Combat Technique "Krav Maga", a training of self defence method consisting of a combination of Boxing, Judo, Wrestling etc., is also conducted in the Warders Training Centre, Vellore so as to enhance the confidence of the Warders and enable them to tackle emergency effectively.

It is also proposed to impart basic training to the 119 warders (112 Male and 7 Female) to be recruited and appointed, at Warders Training Centre, Trichy in this year 2021.

The Deputy Jailors and Assistant Jailors are also under going general refresher courses periodically at Warders Training Centre at Vellore.

# ii) Academy of Prisons and Correctional Administration (APCA), Vellore

Officers of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services belonging to the five Southern States in various fields are imparted training in the Academy of Prisons and Correctional Administration, Vellore. It is a joint training centre of the five Southern States, namely, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka and Kerala to train the officials in the field of Correctional Methods and Prison Management. The expenditure of this institution is equally shared by the five Southern States.

During the year 2020, out of the 24 Assistant Jailors appointed through Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, 18 Assistant Jailors have completed their 9 months training and

remaining 6 Assistant Jailors are undergoing training for a period of 9 months in the Academy.

Upto 15.04.2021, about 1,683 prison officials of Tamil Nadu have successfully completed their training in this Institution.

#### iii) Other Training

Officers are deputed for National Level Training Courses on Human Rights, Prison Management, etc., which are conducted by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), National Institute of Social Defence (NISD), Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science (LNJN NICFS) and National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), New Delhi and other States. During the year 2020-2021, 67 officers have undergone various online training programmes in these National Level Institutions.

#### VI. SECURITY OF PRISONS

#### i) CCTV Cameras

vulnerable areas of all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai have been installed to monitor the prisoners' movement as well as the visitors'. In addition to that, 100 numbers of additional CCTV, Internet Protocol Cameras (IP Cameras) and Smart Cards containing all details about the prisoners have been provided in 9 Central prisons, 5 Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai. M/s. Elcot has been implementing this scheme combined with Prison Management System and the work is in progress.

#### ii) Walkie-Talkies

380 numbers of Hand held Walkie-Talkie sets with spare battery packs were purchased for all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women

Puzhal, Vellore and Trichy and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai and functioning well.

4 repeater sets for Central Prison, Puzhal-I and II, Trichy and Coimbatore were installed.

#### iii) Cell Phone Jammers

Cell Phone Jammers have been provided for 12 High Security Blocks in 9 Central Prisons in the State to strengthen the security measures. Government have also accorded sanction for providing additional 12 numbers of Cell phone Jammers in Central Prison, Puzhal- I and II, Palayamkottai, Madurai, Trichy and 5 Special Prison for Women, Puzhal, Vellore, Trichy, Coimbatore and Madurai at a cost of Rs.10.10 crore. As per the current policy of the Government of India, Jammers are restricted items. Hence, to purchase and install the Jammers in Central getting the approval of Cabinet Prisons, Secretariat, Government of India is necessary and the same is under process.

#### iv) Security Poles

12 numbers of Security Poles for cell phone and ferrous metal detection system in 9 Central Prisons and 3 Special Prisons for Women were installed under the Tamil Nadu Innovative Initiative Scheme in order to strengthen the security of Prisons.

#### v) High Security Blocks

Hard core prisoners involved in sensitive cases are confined in the High Security Blocks. All such prisoners are subjected to proper search daily and periodically by higher officers. The visitors, who come to interview, these prisoners are also subjected to thorough frisking. High Security Blocks have been constructed in all the Central Prisons which are well guarded by the Prison Personnel considering the security of prisoners as well as prevention of escape without compromising the rights and dignity of the prisoners. Except Central Prison, Cuddalore, the

outer peripheries of all other Central Prisons are guarded by the Police Personnel.

The services of Dog Squad of this Department are also utilized to further fortify the security measures in the Prisons. Regular anti-sabotage checks are being carried out to prevent any untoward incident in the Prisons.

#### vi) X-Ray Baggage Scanners

To prevent smuggling of contraband articles and prohibited materials inside the prisons, the X-Ray Baggage Scanners are installed in all the 9 Central Prisons and 5 Special Prisons for Women, Madurai, Coimbatore, Puzhal, Vellore & Trichy and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai.

#### vii) Video Conferencing Facilities

To cut down the expenditure on Police escorts, transportation and also prevent untoward incidents such as escape of prisoners and assault on the prisoners during their transit, etc., Video

Conferencing facility, connecting Prisons and Courts Complex, has been provided for extension of remand period of the prisoners without producing them physically before the Courts concerned.

At present, the Video Conferencing System functioning in 50 locations covering 42 jails spread over all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and 180 Court Complexes covering 403 Courts. The extension of remand period of the under trial prisoners are being done through Video Conferencing System.

#### **VII. STAFF WELFARE**

# i) Articles at Subsidized Cost through Police Canteens

Police Canteen facility for purchasing articles at subsidized cost has been extended to all the serving, retired Ministerial / Miscellaneous staff of the Department of Prisons and

Correctional Services and also to the families of the deceased on par with the Ministerial staff of Police Department.

#### ii) Risk Allowance, Feeding Charges, Stitching Charges and Washing Allowance

On par with the Police Department, the Risk Allowance are being paid at the rate of Rs.800/-per month from the rank of Grade-II Warder to Deputy Jailor and at the rate of Rs.900/- per month from the rank of Jailor to Superintendent of Prisons.

The Feeding Charges are being paid for the Prison personnel employed in security duties, in Central Prisons and District Jails during emergencies and occasions of mass arrest of prisoners, as well as for undertaking search operations in prison premises from the rank of Grade II Warder to Deputy Jailor in Chennai city for 10 days in a month at the rate of Rs.300/- per day and in Mofussil for 6 days in a month at the rate of Rs.250-/ per day.

The prison personnel from the rank of Grade-II Warders to Superintendent of Prisons are paid at the rate of Rs.1000/- (Rs.500/- per set) per head per year towards stitching charges for two set of Uniforms.

Rs.500/-per month as Washing Allowance is being paid to all Personnel from the rank of Grade-II Warders upto Superintendent of Prisons.

#### iii) Night Meal Allowance

Rs.100/- per day as Night Meal Allowance is being paid to the Rank of Grade-II Warders to Chief Head Warders of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services.

#### iv) Extra Time Remuneration

Rs.200/- as Extra Time Remuneration is being paid to the Grade-I and Grade-II Warders, if they work on the day of their weekly off.

## v) Essential Commodities at Subsidized Rates

To the Prison Personnel from the rank of Grade-II Warders to Deputy Jailors, rice is supplied at a free of cost and wheat, sugar, cooking oil and dhal are supplied at 50% of the sale price through Public Distribution System (PDS) outlets.

#### vi) Group Insurance Scheme

Group Insurance Scheme has been created for the benefit of the executive staff of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services from the rank of Grade-II Warders to Deputy Inspector General of Prisons.

The insurance coverage of personnel of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services is Rs.2.00 lakh to those who die while on duty and in the case of death in accidents.

#### vii) Tamil Nadu Jail Benevolent Fund

The Tamil Nadu Jail Benevolent Fund has been created for extending Financial Assistance to all the non-gazetted staff of the Department of Prisons & Correctional Services of the State and to their dependents.

Financial Assistance for College Education, Medical treatment for prolonged critical illness, injury in accident etc. are provided to the member of this scheme from this Fund.

Financial Assistance is also given for the death of the staff or eligible family members. A sum of Rs.10.00 lakh is paid by the Government as matching grant to the said Fund.

#### viii) Ex-gratia payment

Ex-gratia payment is given to the legal heirs of the deceased prison personnel who die in heroic action and are paid the last pay drawn by the deceased person as family pension till his/her

normal date of superannuation. After that, the eligible family pension is being paid.

In addition, a lump sum ex-gratia of Rs.2,00,000/-is also paid to the family members of the deceased. Apart from the cases of death, ex-gratia payments are also sanctioned to the following categories at the rates mentioned against each category:-

1.	For Permanent Disability	Rs.50,000
2.	For Severe Injuries	Rs.10,000
3.	For Simple Injuries	Rs.5,000

#### ix) Provision of Rain Coats and Mosquito Nets for the use of Prison Personnel

Prison Personnel in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails, Special Sub Jails, Sub Jails, Borstal Schools and Open Air Prisons are being provided with Rain Coats and Mosquito Nets for their use once in three years.

#### x) Construction of Staff Quarters

Every year, Government have been constructing 100 Quarters for Grade-I & II Warders and Chief Head Warders of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services.

4 Quarters for Jailor is being constructed at Central Prison Palayamkottai and Madurai at a cost of Rs.120.00 lakh through Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation.

#### xi) Medals

The following medals are awarded by the Government to motivate and recognize those uniformed personnel of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services who maintain a clean service record and display bravery and commendable performance in discharging their duties.

#### Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Prison Service Medal - Anna Medal

Cash award has been paid by the Government to the award winning personnel as detailed below:-

1	From Jailor to Superintendent of Prisons	Rs.15,000
2	Assistant Jailor and Deputy Jailor	Rs.10,000
3	From Grade-II Warder to Chief Head Warder	Rs.5,000

Every year, 10 Prison Personnel are awarded with this medal on the occasion of birthday of Peraringnar Anna.

## Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Prison Medal for Good Service - Pongal Medal

Every year, 60 Grade-I and Grade-II Warders are awarded this medal on the occasion of Pongal Day for their Good Service along with payment of medal allowance at the rate of Rs.400/- per month to the award winning personnel.

#### **Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Gallantry Medal**

Instead of the earlier scheme of payment of an allowance of Rs.300/-per month, now a cash prize of Rs.5.00 lakh has been granted to the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Gallantry Medal winners irrespective of their rank.

#### **President's Correctional Service Medal**

Every year, Prison Personnel who have rendered unblemished record of service are awarded with this Medal on the occasion of Republic Day and Independence Day. 2 Prison Personnel have received this Medal, on the occasion of Republic Day, 2021. 4 Prison Personnel have received this medal, on the occasion of Independence Day, 2021.

#### xii) Grievance Redressal Mechanism for Prison Personnel

In a systematic manner, the following officers of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services are redressing the Grievances of the Prison Personnel through

conduct of Grievance Day Meetings as detailed below:-

1.	The Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services	Once in a quarter
2.	The Range Deputy Inspector General of Prisons	Once in a
	General of Prisons	month
3.	Superintendents of Central	Once in a
	Prisons	week

Speedy action is being taken to redress the grievances reported by the Personnel during such meetings. Apart from the scheduled Grievance Day Meetings, the Director General of Police/Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services receives grievance petitions from the Personnel in the headquarters and during his visit / inspection to Prisons.

#### **VIII. PRISONERS' WELFARE**

#### i) Food and Clothing

All the non-vegetarian prisoners are provided with 115 grams of chicken and all

vegetarian prisoners are provided with potato curry, kesari and a banana once in a week. In the kitchen, stainless steel cooking vessels and trolleys are used and the food items are served to the prisoners in stainless steel plates and mugs.

Items like milk, bread, egg, chicken, etc., are given to the prisoners as medical diet to the sick prisoners on the recommendation of the Medical Officers.

The above diet pattern is in tune with the scale prescribed in the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983 in providing nutritious and balanced diet to the prisoners.

On the occasion of Pongal, Republic Day, Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanthi, special diet at a cost of Rs.50/- is provided to each prisoner.

As prolonged consumption of groundnut oil which contains surplus fat causes health issues to

the prisoners, use of refined Sunflower Oil for six days from Monday to Saturday and use of Gingelly Oil on Sunday have been permitted by the Government for preparation of food for the prisoners.

Clothing and bedding are provided to the inmates as per the norms laid down in the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983. Terry cotton pants, shirts and large sized blankets are provided to the convict inmates as uniform.

The remand prisoners are permitted to bring their own clothing. If the remand prisoners who do not have adequate clothes, they are provided with sufficient clothes to them at Government cost.

#### ii) Health care of Prisoners

All efforts are being taken to provide good medical care to the prisoners. Higher stress level due to prolonged confinement of the prisoners manifests itself into violent behavior, depression as well as suicidal tendencies. Psychologists have therefore been appointed in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai to treat and counsel the prisoners suffering from depression and exhibiting violent behavior. Counselling instills confidence in the depressed mind of the prisoners and brings forth trust in themselves which eliminates suicidal tendencies.

Prisoners requiring psychiatric treatment are also treated by admitting them in the Government Institute of Mental Health, Chennai. The services of Psychiatrists from Government Hospitals are also utilized to take care of those mentally ill prisoners.

Two Counsellors are engaged in each Central Prisons and one Counsellor is engaged in each Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai to ensure better mental health of the disturbed prisoners. In addition to the Counselling, physical training, yoga, meditation, indoor and outdoor games are made available to the prisoners. At present 21 Non Governmental Organisations are also involved and supplement these efforts.

Prisoners are provided with library facilities. Library is not only provide recreation, but also help the prisoners to improve the mental health. The prisoners are availing these facilities of borrowing books from the Libraries in the Prisons.

#### iii) Sanitation and Health-Care

Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women are provided with hospitals having experienced doctors supported by adequate para-medical staff to meet the medical treatment of the prisoners. Prisoners who need specialized in-patient care are admitted in the Prison Hospitals.

Ambulances are provided to all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails, Special Sub Jails for Women, Sub Jails for Women, to transit the prisoners requiring specialized treatment in the hospitals located outside the Prisons.

21 types of Life Saving Medical Equipments are installed in 9 Central Prisons, 5 Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai and also in 35 Ambulances.

Integrated Counselling and Testing Centers (ICTC) are established in all the Central Prisons for checking prevalence of AIDS among inmates. All inmates in the Central Prisons are subjected to undergo H.I.V. test after due counselling. As a health care measure, smoking and use of tobacco in the Prisons are banned.

Two disposable shaving razors are provided to the prisoners once in a month at a cost of

Rs.43.68 lakh per annum in-order to prevent the spreading of contagious diseases among the prisoners dispensed with the usage of knife for shaving.

In addition to the above measures, existing sanitation facilities have been improved in Prisons at a cost of Rs.3.60 crore so as to protect the prisoners from any communicable disease.

Further, sanitation facilities have been improved in 9 Central Prisons and Special Prison for Women, Puzhal and Trichy at a cost of Rs.1240.10 lakh.

Sanitation facilities have been improved in Special Sub Jail, Poonamallee at a cost of Rs.30.59 lakh.

## iv) Interviews with Relatives and Family Members of Prisoners

Following the procedure prescribed in Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983 interviews are permitted

to the prisoners to stay in touch with their family members and relatives. The application forms for seeking interview with prisoners are supplied at free of cost and it can also be downloaded from the Department of Prisons & Correctional Services website. This facility helps the family members and relatives of the prisoners to apply for interview from remote places without any difficulty. Prior appointment may also be fixed over phone to interview the prisoners.

#### v) Human Rights

Basic amenities and requirements are provided in all prisons to ensure better living conditions of prisoners. Consisting the utmost importance of the protection of human rights of the prisoners, prison personnel have been adequately sensitized in this regard and human rights issues form an integral part of all training courses as well as refresher courses for the Personnel.

Official visitors make periodical visits to the Prisons to check on Management of the Prison and treatment of the prisoners. Members of the Human Rights Commissions and the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court and other dignitaries also visit the prisons in Tamil Nadu to check on the provision of basic requirements and treatment of the prisoners and have commented the administration of prisons. Besides these, 62 members of the public appointed as non-official visitors to make surprise visits to the Prisons to check on human rights violations, if any.

The Members of National and State Human Rights Commissions and the Hon'ble Judges who have visited the Prisons appreciated the Prison Administration in the State.

### vi) Welfare of Women Prisoners

Women prisoners are examined by a Woman Assistant Surgeon and the observations

are recorded in the Medical Sheet at the time of admission and afterwards. Priority is given to the day to day care of pregnant women prisoners. Gynaecological examination is also conducted and pre-natal and post-natal care is given according to the requirements of each case. Emergency Leave is granted to the pregnant prisoners for having delivery outside the Prisons. Sanitary Napkins are being provided to the female prisoners at free of cost.

As per rules inforce, female prisoners are allowed to keep their children with them in prison until they attain the age of six years, if they cannot be placed with relatives or other persons who can take care of them properly. Children born in prison may remain with their mothers until they attain the age of six years, if they cannot be otherwise suitably taken care of.

Food, clothing, shelter, medical care and recreational facilities are also provided to them.

A creche and nursery have also been attached to the Special Prisons for Women to look after the children. Special care is bestowed on the nursing women inmates and they are supplied with half a litre milk per day. Based on the recommendation of the Medical Officer, baby foods are provided to less than one year old babies accompanying the female prisoners, keeping in view, the nutritional requirement of growing children.

#### vii) Special Interviews

For the convenience of school and college going children and working spouse of the prisoners, special interviews are arranged on the first Sunday of every month.

The Advocates are permitted to interview the prisoners on all days except Sundays. Special interviews are also organized for Advocates on Saturdays upto 1.00 pm.

## viii) Wages of Prisoners Engaged in Prison Industries

The convict prisoners engaged in Prison Industries are being paid on the basis of their classification, viz., Skilled, Semi Skilled and Un Skilled, at the rate of Rs.200/-, Rs.180/- and Rs.160/- (per day per prisoner) respectively as wages.

## ix) Educational and Vocational Courses Mahatma Gandhi Community Colleges

Education has been given primacy in the overall activities of the inmates. A programme has been launched in co-ordination with the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India and the Education Department of Tamil Nadu to achieve 100% literacy amongst the prison inmates. Indira Gandhi National Open University is also conducting various courses for the benefit of the prisoners.

Education requirement is categorized based on the level of individual's attainment as (i) Primary level, (ii) Elementary School level, (iii) Higher Secondary level, (iv) Graduation and Post Graduation through Open Universities and (v) Diploma and Degree courses in order to facilitate useful job oriented skills to the inmates. The services of the educated inmates are utilized for teaching.

Through Education Department under special literacy mission / scheme, basic literacy is being given to the illiterate prisoners in all prisons in Tamil Nadu. The Government have sanctioned Rs.14.60 lakh for the basic education of 1623 prisoners in this State. The prisoners were identified for this purpose and two days training programme was conducted for the teachers by the Education Department in Central Prison–I, Puzhal complex for implementing this scheme and scheme is functioning well.

Elementary Schools are functioning with qualified teachers in all Central Prisons/Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai. Distance Education facility is provided to the prisoners at Government cost.

Mahatma Gandhi Community Colleges, approved by the Tamil Nadu Open University, have been established in all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai. Various educational and vocational courses are offered to the prisoners aimed at empowering the prisoners towards gainful employment on their release.

During the year 2020-2021, 68 prisoners have appeared for 12<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examination. 71 prisoners have appeared for 11<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examination. 152 prisoners have appeared for 10<sup>th</sup> Standard Public Examination and 231 prisoners have appeared for 8<sup>th</sup> Standard Examination.

During the year 2020-2021, a total number of 10,307 prisoners pursued various courses as detailed below:-

Course	Number of Prisoners
Basic literacy Education by School Education Department	1623
Foundation Course (Preparatory Course upto 7th standard level)	4233
Literacy Programme (Through State Resource Centre)	3324
M.C.A.	3
M.A/M.Sc.	17
B.A./B.Sc./ B.Com./B.Lit.	164
M.B.A.	57
B.B.A.	129
8 <sup>th</sup> , 10 <sup>th</sup> , 11 <sup>th</sup> Standard and +2 Level 231+152+71+68=522	522
Diploma / Certificate	235
Total	10,307

As a new initiative, Industrial Training Institute has been established inside Central Prison, Trichy.

During the year 2020-2021, 70 prisoners have pursued various studies as detailed below:-

SI.	Name of the	Duration	No. c	of prison	ers
No.	Trade	Duration	I year	II year	Total
1	Fitter	2 Years	4	4	8
2	Electrician	2 Years	12	8	20
3	COPA (Computer Operator and Programming Assistant)	1 Year	9	1	9
4	Cutting & Sewing	1 Year	23	ı	23
5	Welder (Gas & Electric)	1 Year	10	ı	10
	Total		58	12	70

# x) Acquisition of Vocational Skills and participation in Industrial Production

To inculcate work habits during their confinement in prisons and impart new skills, several industries such as Sealing Wax Industry, Weaving Industry, Boot Industry, Book Binding Industry, Tag Industry, Soap Industry, Tailoring

Unit, Carpentry Unit, Shoe Polish Unit, Bakery Unit, Hand Made Paper Unit, Fly Ash Bricks Industry manufacturing cum training unit have also been established. For offering practical experience to the prisoners, life-coping skills and production skills are being imparted enabling them to have better employability on their release and preventing them from reverting back to crimes. Further, activities like Nursery Development, Agricultural Production and Compost Making, etc. are also being conducted.

The prison products such as uniform clothes, belts, caps, uniform shoes, shoe polish, rain coats, mosquito nets required for Police, Fire & Rescue Services and Department of Prisons and Correctional Services Departments and sealing wax, tags, file pads, postal covers, gauze and bandage cloth, soap, other textiles, fire buckets, iron cot, saline stand, barricade, trolley and bed-side lockers, etc. are supplied to various

Government Department since, the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services Department being a "Service Department", enjoys special privilege of supplying articles to various Government Departments.

The value of the industrial production for the year 2020-2021 is Rs.5910.45 lakh.

#### xi) Employment on Release

In order to accommodate the prisoners seeking employment on their release, details regarding the specific skills acquired by the prisoners, the date of release of the prisoners, availability of industries in their area are collected well in advance so as to provide employment opportunities to them.

# xii) Remand Prisoners Reformation Project (PATTAM)

Various Reformation, Rehabilitation and Reintegration programmes for the inmates are

being conducted by Department of Prisons & Correctional Services. One such visionary programme is "PATTAM" (a Tamil word meaning 'Kite')-Personality and Attitude Transformation through Therapeutic Assistance and Management and it is the combined effort of Police, Judiciary, Department of Prisons & Correctional Services and Non-Government Organization. The objective of the programme is to provide the focused holistic interventional inmates а programme, in a conducive environment, to enable them, to reintegrate and be responsible members of the Society.

The PATTAM project is exclusively designed for the first time petty offenders of young age (18-24 years) pursuant to the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras. The Project initially started at Sub Jail, Saidapet is extended to Central Prison, Puzhal-II.

#### xiii) Grievances Redressal Mechanism for Prisoners

Considering the importance of redressal of grievances of prisoners, sealed complaint boxes have been installed in all the Central prisons to enable the prisoners to ventilate their grievances. These boxes are opened by the District and Sessions Judge on the first working day of every month and complaints are forwarded to the appropriate authorities for action. Apart from this, Sessions Judges and Chief Judicial Magistrates make surprise visits to prisons once in a month to check the quality of food and other facilities provided to the prisoners and enquire into their grievances.

During the annual inspections, the Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services and Range Deputy Inspector General of Prisons enquire each and every prisoner and take prompt action to redress their grievances. The Superintendent of Prisons conduct Inspection Parade of all prisoners every week and hear the grievances of the prisoners and redress them.

### xiv) Visitors Management System

In all Central Prisons, 3 Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai, Visitors Management System software have been installed at a cost of Rs.1.30 crore to keep track of visitors.

## xv) Free Legal Aid

To offer Free Legal Aid services to the prisoners, Legal Aid Cell has been established in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and Sub Jails for the benefit of the prisoners by the Tamil Nadu State Legal Services Authority.

#### xvi) Prisoners Adalat

Prisoners Adalat have been established in all Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women to expedite the disposal of the petty cases and overcrowding in the prevent Prisons. The Magistrates regularly conduct Prisoners Adalat and dispose the cases of prisoners who plead guilty. Further on 19.12.2018 Special Adalat was conducted by the Chairman of the District Legal Services Authorities/ Taluk Legal Services Committees in their respective Districts and Taluk and 252 cases were disposed on that Further, 3964 cases have also been disposed from **01.01.2016** to **31.07.2021** through Prisoners Adalat.

### xvii) Provision of Radios

To reduce the depression of the prisoners to a great extent, music and other programmes have been broadcast through Radio. To mitigate the loneliness and fear felt by the prisoners, 96 FM Radios along with amplifier and 384 speakers have been purchased for Sub Jails at a cost of Rs.14.55 lakh.

# xviii) Telephone Facility for the use of Prisoners

Telephone facility reduces the stress level of the prisoners drastically as they are able to contact their family members, friends and their advocates.

65 telephone booths were installed in 9 Central Prisons, 3 Special Prisons for Women, District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai, 9 District Jails and 2 Open Air Prisons, at a cost of Rs.300.29 lakh.

The maximum number of calls have been increased from 5 to 8 and the maximum call duration from 45 minutes to 56 minutes per prisoner per month including 4 Sundays. As on

31.07.2021, this facility has been used by the prisoners by 12,33,724 times.

#### xix) Correctional Programmes

# Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Prisoners

Correctional Programmes are being given by the Tamil Nadu Prisons to help the prisoners to rehabilitate and reintegrate them in the society on their release. Both educational / vocational courses and practical experience in the prison industries are included in this programme to enable the prisoners to take up employment or self employment after their release.

#### xx) Installation of Reverse Osmosis Plant

Reverse Osmosis Plant with accessories with a capacity of 1000 litres per hour were installed in 9 Central Prisons and 500 litres per hour in 3 Special Prisons for Women at Puzhal, Vellore and Trichy.

#### xxi) Sewage Treatment Plant

The Waste Water Recycling Plant have been established in Central Prison, Vellore and Palayamkottai at a cost of Rs.493.70 lakh. Further, Government have ordered to establish Waste Water Recycling Plant in Central Prison Coimbatore, Trichy, Salem and Cuddalore at a cost of Rs.380.27 lakh. Work entrusted to Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation. Work completed in Central Prison, Trichy. Collection and testing work is under progress in Central Prison, Coimbatore, Salem and Cuddalore.

#### xxii) Streamlining the Remission System

Remission is one of the motivating factors which will have positive impact on the prisoners to mend their behaviour. In order to implement the remission system effectively, the Government have sanctioned 9 posts of Office Superintendents in all Central Prisons.

#### IX. COVID-19 MANAGEMENT IN PRISONS

Steps taken by the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services to prevent and contain the spread of Covid-19 during First and Second Wave of Pandemic among the Prison inmates and the Staff

- i) All the prisoners are screened for symptoms of COVID-19. If any of the prisoner has symptoms like cough, cold, fever, difficulty in breathing, prisoner is isolated and tested. If tested positive for COVID-19, the prisoner sent to the respective District Headquarters Hospitals immediately for necessary treatment.
- ii) Prisoners who are admitted inside prisons and employees who are working in Prison premises are permitted inside the prisons only after proper screening.
- iii) Sufficient number of Soaps and Sanitizers are made available in prison for usage. The

usage by prisoners is ensured periodically. Wearing of masks is made compulsory to the prisoners who are working in Petrol Retail Outlets.

- iv) Visitors of prisoners are not allowed temporarily. Transfer of prisoners to other prisons are stopped temporarily for reasons other than administrative grounds.
- v) Prisoners are not allowed to gather at a single place. The relatives and Advocates who come to interview prisoners are allowed inside prisons after producing Covid- 19 negative test report taken within 72 hours or Certificate for taking 2 doses of vaccine. Prisoners are allowed to make video calls through mobile phone to their family members and advocate in addition to regular telephone calls.

- vi) Common areas of prisons like toilets, hospital premises and telephone booths are frequently sanitized.
- vii) As suggested by the High Powered Committee constituted as per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 23.03.2020 in Suo Motu Writ Petition (Civil) 1 of 2020. As on 31.8.2021, 52,180 number of remand prisoners were released on bail across the State due to COVID-19 (own bond) and 76,381 prisoners were released on regular bail from all prisons of the State.
- viii) 108 Jails have been earmarked for the admission of new prisoners subject to Covid-19 test.
- ix) Utmost care is given to the prisoners of old age, pregnant women prisoners, prisoners with co-morbidities and children of women prisoners of below 6 years age staying with their mothers in women prisons

- x) Disaster Relief fund of Rs.1,15,17,000/have been sanctioned for this department for purchase of Sanitary /disinfectants /essential materials to maintain cleanliness in prisons and to control spreading of COVID-19 pandemic inside prison premises.
- xi) As on 31.08.2021, 120 Convicts, 1719
  Remand Prisoners were found Covid-19
  Positive. 1 Convict, 2 Remand Prisoners died
  of Covid-19 7 Remand Prisoners are under
  treatment for Covid -19 and remaining
  prisoners recovered from illness. 983 staff
  have been affected by Covid-19 and 15 staff
  have died. At present 6 staff are under
  treatment for Covid-19.
- xii) As on 31.8.2021, 4147 convict prisoners and 12,969 remand prisoners have been vaccinated. Further, 4256 staff have also been vaccinated.

#### X. NEW INITIATIVES

#### i) Provision of Drones with Colour Cameras

Sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.21.85 lakh towards the purchase of 9 Drones with colour cameras for 9 Central Prisons. Tender work is in progress.

#### ii) Solar Power Generation

As the Roof Top Solar Photo Voltaic System with grid connectivity at Puzhal Prison Complex established by Tamil Nadu Energy Development Agency (TEDA) at a cost of Rs.2.41 crore, has been functioning well, sanction has been accorded for Rs.2132.83 lakh for establishing Solar power plants in other Central Prisons. As per the request of TEDA the "Stability Certificate" from all the Prisons have been obtained and sent to TEDA. Based on the Stability Certificate, TEDA has revised the capacity of grid and revised estimate is under the preparation of TEDA.

#### iii) Enhancement of the financial powers of the officials of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services

Financial power to Head of the Department to purchase medicines locally for Prisoners use in Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and Borstal School, Pudukottai has been enhanced from Rs.5,000/- to 10,000, Rs.3,000 to Rs.6,000/-, and Rs. 2,000/- to 4,000/-.

#### iv) Electronic Key Management System

As a new initiative, in Puzhal prison complex Electronic Key Management System has been introduced on pilot basis and functions well in Central Prison, Puzhal-I and II and Special Prison for Women, Puzhal.

#### v) Construction of New Jails

New District Jails and upgradation of some Sub Jails as District Jails have been sanctioned to prevent over crowding in Central Prisons. Sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.34.90 lakh towards additional infrastructure facilities to the newly created District Jail at Theni.

For the construction of additional block in Central Prison, Puzhal-II, sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.1505.84 lakh to accommodate 500 prisoners. The Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has completed the construction work and the building was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 30.08.2021.

For the construction of additional Block at District Jail, Chengalpet, sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.106.03 lakh to accommodate 100 prisoners. Work entrusted to Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation. Tender work is in progress.

## vi) Construction of Administrative office for the Deputy Inspector General of Prisons, Chennai Range in Puzhal Prison Complex

For the construction of Administrative office building for Deputy Inspector General of Prisons, Chennai Range, sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.59.45 lakh. The Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has completed the construction work and the building was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 30.08.2021.

# vii) Construction of Pigeon hole rack with locker box

For the usage of prison staff in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai, a sum of Rs.251.72 lakh towards the construction of dining room, Pigeon hole rack with locker box work has been entrusted to Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation and the work is in progress.

#### viii) Creation of new posts

Sanction has been accorded for 15 additional posts of Civil Assistant Surgeons to 9 Central Prisons, 3 Special Prisons for Women (Puzhal, Trichy and Vellore (2 posts)) and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai (2 posts).

For health care of Women Prisoners, one post of Civil Assistant Surgeon has been created each in Special Prisons for Women, Madurai and Coimbatore.

For giving Counselling to depressed Women Prisoners, one post of Psychologist has been created each in Special Prison for Women, Madurai and Coimbatore.

The Superintendent of Prisons, Special Prison for Women Puzhal, Trichy, Vellore, Coimbatore, Madurai and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai have been authorized to engage the services of qualified Counsellors

i.e., one Counsellor for each prison on payment of honorarium of Rs.15,000/- per month for each Counsellor for providing Counselling services to the prisoners in the above prisons.

One post of Office Superintendent for Accounts Section have been created in Central Prison-I, Puzhal.

#### ix) Test Identification Parade Room

Test Identification Parade room with one way mirror in all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai have been constructed at a cost of Rs.202.97 lakh and they have started functioning now.

# x) Shifting of existing Sub Jail, Tindivanam to new Court Complex

The Government ordered to shift the existing Sub Jail at Tindivanam to the newly constructed court complex and accorded

administrative sanction for the construction of Sub Jail Tindivanam at a cost of Rs.839.22 lakhs. Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has been entrusted with this work. Ground floor roof works, column raising work is under progress.

#### xi) Annual Maintenance Grant

For regular maintenance of Prison buildings and staff quarters through Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation Limited, Sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.500.00 lakh as recurring expenditure for every year. Repairs and maintenance for Jails buildings are carried out every year from the above sanctioned amount.

#### xii) Prison Industries

To improve the infrastructure facilities of Prison sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.200.00 lakh for the purchase of new machineries and for maintenance of existing machineries in Prison Industries.

In Central Prisons Vellore, Cuddalore, Salem, Coimbatore, Trichy, Madurai and Palayamkottai, Bakery Units have been established at a cost of Rs.210.00 lakh.

In Central Prison, Vellore women Shoe Making Unit has been established at a cost of Rs.126.00 lakh to manufacture light weight shoes exclusively for women staff.

In Central Prison, Palayamkottai concrete tiles manufacturing unit using copper slag as a substitute of sand have been established at a cost of Rs.48.00 lakh under Tamil Nadu Innovation Initiative schemes.

Existing textile sizing machines in Central Prison, Coimbatore were upgraded at a cost of Rs.9.87 lakh.

Existing machineries were upgraded, old machines were maintained and new machines required for Prison industries were procured at a cost of Rs.500.00 lakh for uninterrupted supply of prison made articles.

# xiii) Establishment of Petrol Retail Outlets in Central Prisons

Petrol Retail Outlets have been established in association with M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. and functioning as part of the Phase-I pilot project in Central Prisons, Puzhal-I, Vellore, Coimbatore, Palayamkottai and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukottai for the benefit of the general public and for their formation and rehabilitation of the prisoners.

Establishment of similar Petrol Retail Outlets in 6 more locations (Puzhal on Ambattur Road, Salem, Trichy on Airport Road, Trichy on Gandhi Market, Madurai and Coimbatore on Bharathiar Road) in phase–II is under the consideration of the Government.

#### xiv) Prison Bazaar

At the boundary of the Central Prison Complexes, certain District Jails and Sub Jails "PRISON BAZAARS" have been established to

provide an opportunity to the prisoners for reformation and rehabilitation by channelizing their energy towards a positive direction and functioning well. A Corpus Fund of Rs.10.00 lakh was sanctioned for the development of the Prison Bazaar.

The articles made by the prisoners such as Bakery Items, Leather Shoes, Wallets, Nursery Products, Detergent Soap, Sanitary Napkins, Candles, Mosquito Nets, Rain Coats, Shoe Polish, Readymade Garments, Honey, Masala Powder, Handicrafts, Envelopes, Note Books, Organic Vegetables, Cold Pressed Edible Oil, Compost Manure, Panchakavyam, Paintings, etc. are sold in this Bazaar in the registered brand name "FREEDOM". Other out lets such as Food Courts etc., are also functioning in this Bazaar.

#### XI. CONCLUSION

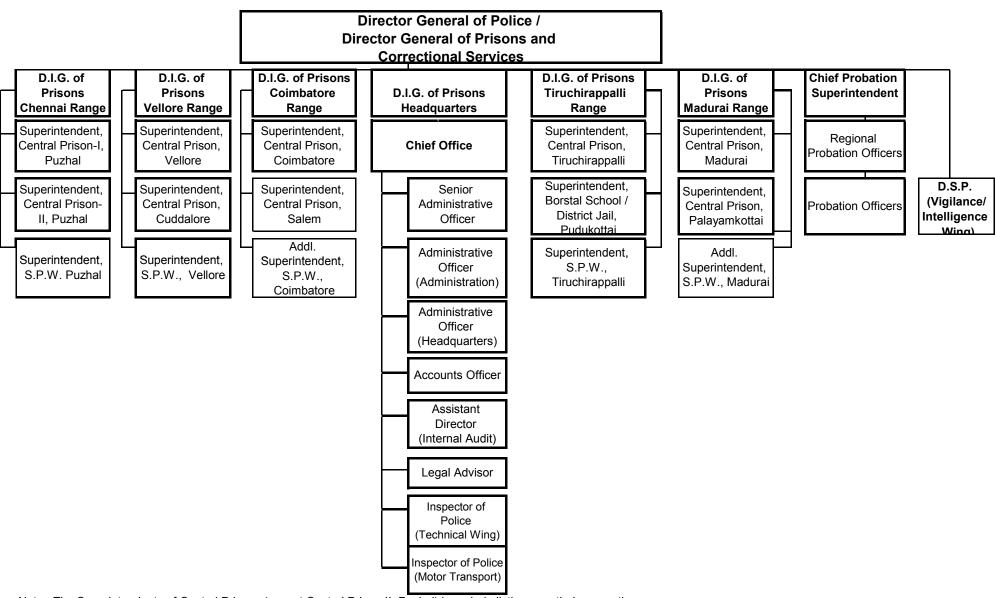
Administration of Prisons has been accorded utmost priority by the Government and concerted

efforts have been taken by the Government to the welfare of improve Prisoners, Infrastructural facilities, safety and Security of Prisons, Health care and observance of Human rights. Health and hygiene facilities, better sanitation, extensive counselling schedules and yoga programmes, upgradation of vocational courses are extended to the prisoners. Training in various skilled industries, psychological guidance family support, have undoubtedly and strengthened the platform of enhanced correctional mechanism of the Department of Prisons and Correction Services. The Prison personnel are also being constantly trained and sensitized regarding the nature of their duties. All these efforts will be continued in the years to come.

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#### ANNEXURE-I

#### ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL SERVICES



Note: The Superintendents of Central Prisons (except Central Prison-II, Puzhal) have jurisdiction over their respective Districts Jails, Special Sub Jails, Open Air Prisons, Borstal Schools and Sub Jails under their control.

### <u>Annexure - II</u>

# <u>Details of authorized accommodation of Prisoners</u>

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Chennai District	
1	Central Prison.I, Puzhal	1250
2	Central Prison.II, Puzhal	1250
3	Special Prison for Women, Puzhal	500
4	Borstal School, Puzhal (Transit Yard)	100
5	Sub Jail, Saidapet	175
	Kancheepuram District	
6	Sub Jail, Kancheepuram	34
	Chengalpattu District	
7	District Jail, Chengalpattu	200
8	Sub Jail, Maduranthagam	62
	Thiruvallur District	
9	Sub Jail, Thiruvallur	36
10	Sub Jail, Ponneri	42
11	Sub Jail, Tiruttani	36
12	Special Sub Jail, Poonamallee	152

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Vellore District	
13	Central Prison, Vellore	2130
14	Special Prison for Women, Vellore	469
15	Borstal School, Vellore (Annex)	54
16	Sub Jail, Gudiyatham	54
	Thirupattur District	
17	Sub Jail, Ambur	20
18	Sub Jail, Thirupattur	74
19	Sub Jail, Vaniyambadi	30
	Ranipet District	
20	Sub Jail, Arakkonam	36
21	Sub Jail, Walaja	19
	Thiruvannamalai District	
22	Sub Jail, Cheyyar (Handed over to Revenue Department)	48
23	Sub Jail, Thiruvannamalai	49
24	Sub Jail, Arani (Temporarily Closed)	17
25	Sub Jail, Chengam	9
26	Sub Jail, Polur	36
27	Sub Jail, Vandavasi	19

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Cuddalore District	
28	Central Prison, Cuddalore	723
29	Sub Jail, Cuddalore (Women)	100
30	Sub Jail, Cuddalore	143
31	Sub Jail, Virudhachalam	30
32	Sub Jail, Portnova	24
33	Borstal School, Panruti	15
34	Sub Jail, Chidambaram	28
	Villupuram District	
35	District Jail, Villupuram	200
36	Sub Jail, Villupuram	42
37	Sub Jail, Tindivanam	29
38	Borstal School, Gingee	80
	Kallakurichi District	
39	Sub Jail, Kallakurichi	18
40	Sub Jail, Ulundurpet	24
41	Sub Jail, Thirukovilur	24
	Salem District	
42	Central Prison, Salem	1431
43	District Jail, Attur	200
44	Farm Jail, Salem	10
45	Special Sub Jail, Salem (Women)	110
46	Borstal School, Sankagiri	27
47	Sub Jail, Omalur	48

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Namakkal District	
48	Sub Jail, Namakkal	34
49	Borstal School, Paramathi	16
50	Sub Jail, Rasipuram	24
51	Sub Jail, Tiruchengode	19
	Dharmapuri District	
52	District Jail, Dharmapuri	200
53	Sub Jail, Dharmapuri	36
54	Sub Jail, Harur	48
	Krishnagiri District	
55	Sub Jail, Krishnagiri (Women)	73
56	Sub Jail, Uthangarai	16
57	Sub Jail, Hosur	44
	Coimbatore District	
58	Central Prison, Coimbatore	2124
59	Special Prison for Women, Coimbatore	187
60	Open Air Jail, Singanallur	100
61	Sub Jail, Mettupalayam (Temporarily Closed)	36
62	Borstal School, Pollachi	97

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Erode District	
63	District Jail, Gopichettipalayam	200
64	Sub Jail, Erode	35
65	Sub Jail, Sathyamangalam	16
66	Sub Jail, Bhavani	24
67	Sub Jail, Perundurai	8
	Nilgiris District	
68	Sub Jail, Ooty	35
69	Sub Jail, Coonoor	32
70	Sub Jail, Gudalur	28
	Tiruppur District	
71	District Jail, Tiruppur	200
72	Sub Jail, Avinashi	70
73	Sub Jail, Tiruppur	90
74	Sub Jail, Udumalapet	25
75	Sub Jail, Dharapuram	26
76	Sub Jail, Palladam (Temporarily Closed)	24
	Trichy District	
77	Central Prison, Trichy	2517
78	Special Prison for Women – Trichy	600
79	Sub Jail, Manaparai	14
80	Sub Jail, Musiri	17

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
81	Sub Jail, Thuraiyur	17
82	Sub Jail, Lalgudi	23
	Ariyalur District	
83	Borstal School, Ariyalur	21 19
84	Sub Jail, Jeyamkondam	19
	Perambalur District	
85	Sub Jail, Perambalur	18
	Karur District	
86	Sub Jail, Karur	36
87	Sub Jail, Kulithalai	26
	Pudukottai District	
88	District Jail, Pudukottai	245
89	Borstal School, Pudukottai	200
90	Sub Jail, Aranthangi	28
91	Sub Jail, Thirumayam	14
92	Sub Jail, Keeranur (Temporarily Closed)	8
	Tanjore District	
93	Sub Jail, Thiruvidaimaruthur	51
94	Borstal School, Tanjore	87
95	Sub Jail, Papanasam	46
96	Sub Jail, Pattukottai	38
97	Sub Jail, Kumbakonam	44

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Nagapattinam District	
98	District Jail, Nagapattinam	200
99	Sub Jail, Sirkali	28
100	Sub Jail, Mayiladuthurai	24
101	Sub Jail, Tharangampadi	12
	Thiruvarur District	
102	Sub Jail, Thiruvarur (Women)	20
103	Sub Jail, Thiruthuraipoondi	28
104	Sub Jail, Nannilam	24
105	Sub Jail, Mannargudi	19
	Madurai District	
106	Central Prison, Madurai	1252
107	Special Prison for Women, Madurai	262
108	Borstal School, Melur	48
109	Sub Jail, Usilampatty	18
110	Sub Jail, Thirumangalam	25
	Dindigul District	
111	District Jail, Dindigul	200
112	Sub Jail, Vedasandur	16
113	Sub Jail, Palani	43
114	Sub Jail, Kodaikanal	9
115	Sub Jail, Nilakottai (Women)	36

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Theni District	
116	District Jail, Theni	200
117	Sub Jail, Uthamapalayam	21
118	Sub Jail, Periyakulam	39
	Sivagangai District	
119	Sub Jail, Sivagangai	20
120	Sub Jail, Thirupattur	22
121	Open Air Prison, Purasadaiudaippu	150
	Ramanathapuram District	
122	District Jail, Ramanathapuram	200
123	Sub Jail, Paramakudi (Women)	18
124	Sub Jail, Mudukulathur	21
125	Sub Jail, Thiruvadanai	12
	Virudhunagar District	
126	District Jail, Virudhunagar	200
127	Sub Jail, Arupukottai	13
128	Sub Jail, Srivilliputhur	24
129	Sub Jail, Sathur (Women) (Temporarily Closed)	29

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Tirunelveli District	
130	Central Prison, Palayamkottai	1332
131	Special Sub Jail, Kokkirakulam (Women)	84
132	Sub Jail, Ambasamuthiram	16
133	Borstal School, Nanguneri	107
	Tenkasi District	
134	Sub Jail, Tenkasi	44
135	Sub Jail, Sankarankoil	12
	Tuticorin District	
136	District Jail, Perurani	200
137	Sub Jail, Srivaigundam	72
138	Sub Jail, Kovilpatti	42
139	Sub Jail, Tiruchendur	37
	Kaniyakumari District	
140	District Jail, Nagarcoil	230
141	Sub Jail, Thucklai (Women)	24
142	Sub Jail, Kulithurai	16
	Total	23,592