National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme- Tamil Nadu – Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund established - Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2008 – Notified

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department

G.O.Ms.No.114

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Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary No.180, dated 6.6.2008. (G.O.Ms.No.92, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, dated 6.6.2008)

## **ORDER:**

The Appended Notification will be published in an Extraordinary issue of the <u>Tamil Nadu Government Gazette</u>, dated the 7th July, 2008.

(By order of the Governor)

K.ASHOK VARDHAN SHETTY,

Principal Secretary to Government.

## **APPENDIX**

## **NOTIFICATION**

Whereas certain draft rules namely, the Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2008, were published, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 32 of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 (Central Act 42 of 2005), vide notification of the Government of Tamil Nadu in the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj department number 180 dated the 6th June, 2008 in the Gazette of Tamil Nadu, Extraordinary, Part III, Section 1(a) dated the 6th June, 2008 inviting objections and suggestions from persons likely to be affected thereby before the expiry of a period of fifteen days from the date of publication of the notification in the official Gazette;

And whereas Gazette copies of the draft rules in which they were published were made available to the public on 6th June, 2008.

And whereas no objection or suggestion has been received from any person in this regard.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (1) of section 32 of the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 (Central Act 42 of 2005), the Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

*1. Short title and commencement.* – (1) These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund Rules, 2008.

(2) These rules shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions. - In these rules, under the context otherwise requires,-

(a) "Act" means the National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 (Central Act 42 of 2005);

(b) "State Fund" means the Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund established under sub-section (1) of section 21 of the Act;

(c) "Section" means a section of the Act;

(d) all other words and expressions used herein and not defined but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

**3.** Account of the State Fund. -(1) The State Fund shall be maintained in a separate Savings Bank account in a Nationalised Bank which shall be non-lapsable.

(2) The State Government or any other authority shall not create any encumbrance on the State Fund.

. (3) The account of the State Fund shall be in the name of the Tamil Nadu State Employment Guarantee Fund.

**4. Receipts to the State Fund.** – All moneys received from the Government of India as Central share or in any other form and moneys received from the State Government as State share and any other funds received from any other agency and any other accruals for implementation of the Scheme shall be treated as receipts to the State Fund.

**5.** Authority to administer the State Fund. – The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj shall be the authority to administer the State Fund. He is authorized to receive the Central share and also draw and credit the State share to the State Fund and release the same to the District Rural Development Agencies. The Collector and Chairman, District Rural Development Agency concerned shall in turn release the amount to the Blocks/Village Panchayats and other implementing agencies, if any, for the purpose of implementation of the Scheme. The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj shall monitor the operation of the State Fund and shall furnish accounts and utilization certificate to State Government, Government of India and the Accountant General.

**6. Usage of the State Fund.** – The State Fund shall be used to meet the expenditure on administration, monitoring, training or any other expenditure in relation to implementation of the Scheme including the expenses of the State Employment Guarantee Council.

**7. Release of the State Fund.** - (1) The authority of the State Fund shall, in order to meet emergent needs and to meet the temporary shortage of funds on account of non-completion of prescribed formalities, give advances as the authority may consider necessary to the districts pending regular release of funds and such advances shall be adjusted against regular releases. No further advances shall be sanctioned to a district when the prior advance to it has not been adjusted.

(2) The sanctioned amount shall be released directly from the State Fund to a separate Bank account at the district level maintained by District Rural Development Agency for the implementation of the Scheme which shall be non-lapsable.

(3) The decision in regard to the release of fund in extraordinary instances or situations shall be taken by the authority with the approval of the Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department.

**8.** Audit. – The grants released from the State Fund shall be audited by the Comptroller and Auditor General. The internal audit shall be done on behalf of the State Government and shall be supervised and monitored by the office of the Principal Accountant General, Chennai-18.

**K. ASHOK VARDHAN SHETTY**, Principal Secretary to Government.