2.30 Redesignation of Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation as State Rural Road Development Agency (SRRDA)

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS III) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 15

Dated :14.02.2007 Read:

- 1. G.O.MS.No.180, RD(P1) Department, dated. 10.07.2000
- 2. GO MS.No: 183 ,RD, dated.27.08.03.
- 3. G.O.MS.No: 301, Highways (HW1) Department, dated. 22.12.04
- 4. G.O.MS.No.95, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, dated. 17.8.06
- 5. From the Secretary, Government of India ,Ministry of Rural Development, D.O.No. P-17024/24/2005 -RC, dated 6.10.2006
- 6. From the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, D.O. letter No.66491/06 TU2,dated.18.12.06

ORDER

The Government of India launched the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana scheme(PMGSY) on 25.12.2000 to provide all weather Roads to all rural habitations with population more than 1000 by the year 2003 and to all habitations with population between 500 and 1000 by the Year 2007. This is a 100% centrally sponsored scheme.

2. In the Government order first read above, orders were issued designating the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department for the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana scheme(PMGSY). In the Government Order second read above, orders were issued to utilize the services of the Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation as state level autonomous agency for receiving funds from Ministry of Rural Development. In Government Order third read above, orders were issued transferring the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Programme and Other Rural Roads to Highways Department and the Tamilnadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation was made the Nodal Agency for the implementation of the scheme. In Government Order fourth read above, the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana scheme was retransferred to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department.

3. The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development in her D.O letter in the reference fifth read above has requested to review the order issued in Government Order fourth read above and place the entire responsibility of implementing the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana / Bharath Nirman Programme under one Department.

4. In this regard, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in his D.O letter sixth read above has stated that despite transferring the Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana back to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department in para 3(V), (VI) and (VII) of the Government Order fourth read above, it has been ordered as follows:-

- Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation shall continue to be a coordinating agency for works under both Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Programme and Bharat Nirman Programmes.
- ii) Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department will implement Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Programme with funds being released to District Rural Development Agencies from Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation.
- iii) The Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation shall monitor the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Programme and Bharat Nirman Programmes and obtain periodical progress reports from the Director of Rural

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Development and Panchayat Raj in respect of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana Programme and Bharat Nirman Programmes and send them to the Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India.

5. The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has further stated that Phase IV alone is being implemented by the Highways Department and all matters related to residual works of Phase I, II, III and Phase V are being dealt with by the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj. Future phases also will be handled by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department. Under the present arrangement he has to route all claims, monthly progress reports, monitoring and reporting activities through the Tamilnadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation. Besides being very inconvenient, it also results in operational difficulties . For the **Other Districts Roads (ODR)** component Bharat Nirman Programme which is being implemented through the Highways department funds can still be released to the Highways Department under Bharat Nirman by routing it through the Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation . Already District Rural Development Agencies are routinely awarding various works to the line departments including the Highways department without any problem. Therefore, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has requested to issue following specific orders:-

- (i) Redesignating the Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation as the State Rural Road Development Agency for the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.
- (ii) Funds should be released to District Rural Development Agencies from Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation after getting approval of the Government of India on (i) above.
- (iii) Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation will be the agency to send periodical progress report and other consequent follow up actions instead of Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation .
- (iv) The funds for the Other District Roads component of Bharat Nirman shall be released to the Highways department through Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation and the District Rural Development Agencies.

6. The Government have examined carefully the proposals of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj ,taking into account guidelines in para7.3 of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana according to which the nodal department has to identify a State level Autonomous Agency under its control for receiving funds under this scheme and as per the D.O. letter received from the Secretary, Government of India in para 3 read above and pass the following orders.

- i. The Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation is hereby redesignated as the State Rural Road Development Agency as the single Agency for the implementation of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana.
- ii. Funds should be released to District Rural Development Agencies from Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation after getting approval of the Government of India on (i) above.
- iii. Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation will be the agency to send periodical progress report and other consequent follow up actions instead of Tamil Nadu Road Infrastructure Development Corporation.
- iv. The funds for the Other District Roads under Bharat Nirman shall be released to the Highways department through Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation and the District Rural Development Agencies

v. The Administrative Charge of 2.25% allowed under the Programme would be shared in proportion to the value of work done by Highways Department and Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department after retaining 0.25% by Tamil Nadu Rural Housing and Infrastructure Development Corporation for their administrative expenditure.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Highways Department vide its U.O.No2293/ HV2/07-1, Date.7.2.07.

(By order of the Governor)

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