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4.10 2001-02 - Construction of 16 Shopping Complexes in 14 districts in lieu of marketing Complex at Chennai

Rural Development (P1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No. 23

Dated: 28.03.2002

Read:

1. G.O.Ms.No.137, Rural Development Department Dated: 25.05.2000
2. G.O.Ms.No.302, Revenue Dated: 12.06.2000
3. G.O.Ms.No.297, Rural Development Department, Dated: 09.11.2000
4. Director of Rural Development's Proceeding No.48217/2000/SGSY.1.3. Dated 23.11.2000
5. From the Director of Rural Development D.O.Lr.No.48217/2000/SGSY.1.3. dated 18.07.2001
6. From the Director of Rural Development Lr.No.48217/2000/SGSY.1 (3) dated 31.07.2001
7. From the Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development, Lr.No.R-18011/11/99-IRD.II, II, dated 02.11.2001

ORDER

Based on the Government of India's sanction and approval, this Government in the G.O. first read above have approved the Special Project for Construction of Marketing Complex at Chennai and in 28 districts at a cost of Rs.14.64 crores. As far as construction of Marketing Complex at Chennai, a sum of Rs.2.50 crores excluding land cost was sanctioned in the G.O. 1st read above. In the G.O. 2nd read above, orders were issued permitting the Director of Rural Development to enter upon the land in an extent of one acre in the Valluvar Kottam Complex belonging to Information and Tourism Department pending formal land transfer for the construction of marketing complex at Chennai. In the G.O. 3rd read above, the construction work was entrusted to the Public Works Department and a sum of Rs.1 crore was released to the Public Works Department by the Director of Rural Development in his proceedings 4th read above. It has been reported to Government that a sum of Rs.2.12 lakhs was only incurred by the Public Works Department out of Rs.1 crore, towards soil testing, tender advertisement charges etc.

2. The Director of Rural Development in his letter 5th read above has stated that the idea of constructing the building in the land at Valluvar Kottam, Chennai was to provide facilities to the Self-Help Groups for the product display, sales, Market intelligence Cell along with internet and e-mail facilities. The Director of Rural Development has further stated that Swarnajayanthi Gram Swarozgar Yojana was introduced w.e.f 01.04.1999 and thereafter considerable time was spent on social mobilization orientation / sensitization programme, issue of clarification etc and it will take time for the Self Help Groups to take economic activities and produce goods and services at the expected level. Moreover, the Director of Rural Development has pointed out that the present range and level of production of rural product is only sufficient for local demand and it will take some more time for the Self Help Groups to market the goods at State level. On the other hand, he has stated that there is more demand for efficient additional market outlets to be constructed in strategic places other than the District head quarters which are already covered under component 2 of the Special project. The Director of Rural Development has requested the Government to issue orders for change of work of construction of marketing complex at Chennai and utilise the allocation made for this item to take up construction of additional shopping complexes in 16 places in 14 districts at an estimated cost of Rs.12 lakhs each in an area of 3000 sq.ft.each and also to provide infrastructure facilities like pathway, toilet etc at a cost of Rs.3 lakhs per Complex. He has also requested to issue orders waiving the expenditure incurred by the Public Works Department and refund the balance amount to the Panagal Building Society functioning under the control of the Rural Development Department.

3. The Government of India was consulted on the proposal of the Director of Rural Development for dropping the work of construction of shopping complex at Chennai and to take up additional market Complexes in strategic places. The Government of India in their letter 7th read above have agreed to drop the work of construction of shopping complex at Chennai and also to take up 16

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additional market outlets to be constructed within Rs.2.50 crores already sanctioned for the Centre at Chennai. The Government of India have further advised to go ahead with the implementation of the project.

4. The Government have examined the proposal of the Director of Rural Development in the light of the approval of the Government of India mentioned in para 3 above. Accordingly, the Government direct the Director of Rural Development to take up construction of additional shopping complexes in the following 16 places in lieu of the market complex at Chennai, out of Rs.2.50 crores already sanctioned in the G.O. Ist read above

Sl.No	Name of Places	Name of the District
1.	Mahabalipuram	Kancheepuram
2.	Thiruthani	Thiruvallur
3.	Chidambaram	Cuddalore
4.	Kallakurichi	Villupuram
5.	Thiruchengode	Namakkal
6.	Athur	Salem
7.	Gobi	Erode
8.	Thiruppur	Coimbatore
9.	Paramakudi	Ramanathapuram
10.	Velankanni	Nagapattinam
11.	Kodaikanal	Dindigul
12.	Palani	Dindigul
13.	T.Kallupatti	Madurai
14.	Periakulam	Theni
15.	Andipatti	Theni
16.	Thiruchendur	Tuticoriin

Each additional complex shall be constructed at an estimated cost of Rs.12 lakhs in an area of 3000 square Feet and infrastructure facilities like pathway, toilet etc shall be provided at a cost of Rs.3 lakhs.

5. The Government waive a sum of Rs.2, 12,496/- (Rupees Two lakhs Twelve Thousand and Four Hundred ninty six only) being the amount incurred by the Public Works Department towards soil testing, Tender advertisement charges etc., for the Chennai Market Complex at Valluvar Kottam. The Chief Engineer, Public Works Department (Buildings) is directed to refund the balance amount to the Panagal Building Society functioning under the Rural Development Department.

6. The Director of Rural Development Department is requested to ensure that the construction of Additional Shopping Complexes is in accordance with the guidelines of Government of India and also not to exceed the cost in this regard.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Planning and Development, and Finance departments vide their U.O.Nos.11871/CS/2001-1 dated:07.01.2002 and 1719/R.D/2002-1, dated 22.01.2002 respectively.

(By order of the Governor)

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