

**8.1 Transfer of Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women along with the Mahalir Thittam and Pudu Vazhvu Project from Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Dept. to RD & Pt.Raj Dept**

Rural Development (CGS II) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 81

Dated : 20.07.2006

Read :

The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Lr.No.44593/2006  
SGSY 1-1 Dated:3.7.2006

**ORDER**

The formation, grading and training of Women's Self Help Groups (SHGs) is being done by Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women which is under the administrative control of Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department. The Panchayat Level Federations of Non Governmental Organization are also formed by the Corporation. But activities such as provision of revolving fund, economic assistance and infrastructural support under Swarnajayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY) are being done by the Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department. The activities of the corporation are being carried out through a set of staff sanctioned under Mahalir Thittam. But the Project Officers in the cadre of joint Director (Mahalir Thittam) at District level and many of the subordinate staff are drawn from Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department on deputation.

2. At present two different departments are involved in the social and economic empowerment of women through the Self Help Group movement. Because of this there is a lack of co-ordination which leads to problems in the timely implementation of the welfare schemes meant for Self Help Groups. Further, the Self Help Groups are a vehicle for bringing about poverty alleviation and social and economic empowerment of rural women and so should rightly function under the control of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department. Therefore the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has requested that the Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women and the schemes (Mahalir Thittam and Pudu Vazhvu) implemented by them be transferred from Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department to bring about the much needed convergence.

3. After careful examination the Government accept the proposal of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and accordingly order that the Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women along with the scheme Mahalir Thittam and Pudu Vazhvu Project be transferred from Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department with immediate effect. The Government also order that while transferring the above, the sections dealing with the subjects relating to Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women in Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department at Secretariat along with the staff be transferred to Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department in Secretariat.

4. This order issues with the concurrence of Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department U.O.No.10644/SW(3)(2) dated 18.7.2006 and Finance department U.O.No.2739/FS/P/2006-1 dated 20.7.2006

(By order of the Governor)

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