## 1. PANCHAYAT ADMINISTRATION

# 1.12 Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Norms for classification of Village Panchayats) Rules 1999

#### (G.O. (Ms) No. 62 Rural Development (C-4) Department, dated 31st March 1999)

In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (4) of section 6 and sub – section (1) of section 242 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu - Act 21 of 1994) the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Rules -

#### **RULES**

1. Short title- These Rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Norms for Classification of Village Panchayat) Rules 1999.

### 2. Norms for classification of a Village Panchayat

- (1) A Village Panchayat shall be classified as Grade I Village Panchayat, if
- (a) such a Village Panchayat is converted as such from town Panchayat; or
- (b) the annual income of such Village Panchayat exceeds four lakhs rupees; or
- (c) the population of such Village Panchayat exceeds fifteen thousand.
- (2) A Village Panchayat which does not fulfil the norms specified in sub Rule (1) shall be classified as Grade II Village Panchayat.
- (3) Where the position of a Village Panchayat classified under sub Rule (1) or (2) is changed subsequently, such Village Panchayat shall be reclassified, from time to time, according to its position specified in the said sub Rules.

**Explanation** - For the purpose of these Rules, annual income of Village Panchayat means the average income of three years proceeding the financial year in which the notification is to be issued. The annual income shall not include the receipt of loan, time – barred deposit and non – statutory and development grant allotted to the Village Panchayat concerned.

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