25.2 Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Limit of Law charges to be incurred by Panchayats without outside sanction) Rules, 1999

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In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 242 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994) and in super session of the Rules relating to (Limit of Law Charges to be incurred by Panchayats without outside sanction), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Rules:-

RULES

1.Short title - These Rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Limit of Law charges to be incurred by Panchayats without outside sanction) Rules, 1999.

2. Payment of fees to Counsel without outside sanction - Panchayat may pay fees to counsel without outside sanction in accordance with the following scale:-

- (i) In civil cases, the regulation fee or a fee exceeding the regulation fee but not exceeding one thousand rupees;
- (ii) In criminal cases, a fee not exceeding two hundred and fifty rupees for each day during which the Counsel is engaged in Court in connection with the case for not less than three hours, or for less than three hours at a different station from that where he usually practices and one hundred rupees for each day in all other cases:

Provided that where the Counsel is engaged in the Court for more than one case on the same day, the total fee payable to him for that day for all cases shall not exceed three hundred and fifty rupees;

(iii) (a) In each case for the work done in examining records and for services rendered out of Court, provided no suit or case is instituted or defense entered in continuation of such examination or of such services and where such suit or case is instituted or defense entered, the total fees payable to the Counsel for the work done in examining the records, for services rendered out of Court and the work in the Court, the fees shall not exceed one thousand rupees or the fees payable under Rule 2, whichever is higher; and

(b) in each case in which the subject matter of the claim does not admit of valuation.

3. Payment of fees in special cases - Nothing contained in Rule 2 shall be deemed to restrict the amount payable in special cases, but when the limits fixed in the said Rule are proposed to be exceeded, the sanction of the Assistant Director (Panchayats) in case such excess amount does not exceed one thousand rupees and the sanction of the Inspector if such excess amount exceeds one thousand rupees shall be obtained.

4. Appeal or revision - In cases where a Panchayat desires to prefer an appeal or revision against any judgment, order or decree of a Court, the previous sanction of the Inspector shall be obtained.

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