16.9 Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Preparation of plans and Estimates for works and mode and conditions of contracts) Rules, 2007. Appointment of Tender inviting authorities and Tender accepting authorities

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR.I) Department

G.O. (Ms) No. 203

Dated 20.12.2007 Read :

1. G.O.(Ms.) No.286, Rural Development (CSS.1) Department, dated 31.12.1998.

2. From the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, D.O. Letter

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ORDER

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(By order of the Governor)

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APPENDIX. NOTIFICATION - I

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clauses (xv) and (xx) of sub-section (2) of section 242 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994) and in supersession of the Tamil Nadu Pachayats (Preparation of plans and estimates for works and mode and conditions of contracts) Rules, 1998, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Rules:-

RULES.

1.Short title – These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Preparation of plans and estimates for works and mode and conditions of contracts) Rules, 2007.

2. Application of Rules – These rules shall apply in respect of works of Village Panchayats, Panchayat Union Councils and District Panchayats executed from out of the General Funds and under Central Government sponsored and State Government funded schemes.

3. According of administrative sanction for works – (1) In respect of Central Government sponsored and State Government funded scheme works, the authority competent to accord administrative sanction including revised administrative sanction, shall be the District Collector in respect of Village Panchayats, Panchayat Union Councils and District Panchayats.

(2) In respect of original, maintenance and electrical works taken up under the General Funds of Village Panchayats, Panchayat Union Councils and District Panchayats, the authorities competent to accord administrative sanction, including revised administrative sanction shall be as specified in **Tables I, II and III** below:-

TABLE – I.

VILLAGE PANCHAYAT

Estimate Value (1)	Competent authority (2)	
(1) Works costing not more than rupees two lakhs.	Village Panchayat.	
(2) Works costing more than rupees two lakhs but not morethan rupees fifty lakhs.	District Collector.	
(3) Works costing more thanrupees fifty lakhs.	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj.	

TABLE – II.

PANCHAYAT UNION COUNCIL.

	Estimate Value	Competent authority	
	(1)	(2)	
1	W orks costing not more than rupees ten lakhs.	Panchayat Union Council	
2	W orks costing more than rupees ten lakhs but not more than rupees fifty lakhs.	District Collector	
3	W orks costing more than rupees fifty lakhs.	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj	

TABLE – III. DISTRICT PANCHAYAT.

	Estimate Value (1)	Competent authority (2)
1	W orks costing not more than rupees twenty lakhs.	District Panchayat
2	W orks costing more than rupees twenty lakhs but not more than rupees fifty lakhs.	District Collector
3	W orks costing more than rupees fifty lakhs.	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj

4. According of technical sanction for works:- In respect of the General Fund and the Central Government sponsored and the State Government funded Scheme works, the authorities competent to accord technical sanction shall be as specified below:

	Competent Original		Maintenance	Electrical	
	Authority Works		Works	Works	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	
(1)	Block Engineer/ Asst. Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj)	Not more than rupees one lakh.	Not more than rupees twenty five thousand.	Not more than rupees twenty five thousand.	
(2)	Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj)	More than rupees one lakh and not more than rupees five lakhs.	More than rupees twenty five thousand and not more than rupees two lakhs.	More than rupees twenty five thousand and not more than rupees two lakhs.	
(3)	Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj)	More than rupees five lakhs and not more than rupees thirty lakhs.	More than rupees two lakhs and not more than rupees ten lakhs.	More than rupees two lakhs and not more than rupees ten lakhs.	
(4)	Superintending Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj)	More than rupees thirty lakhs.	More than rupees ten lakhs.	More than rupees ten lakhs.	

Explanations - (1)Relaying of Water Bound Maccadam (WBM) layer(s) and Black Topping (BT) layer as a whole will be deemed as 'original work' and not 'maintenance work'.

(2) Assistant Engineers and Assistant Executive Engineers in the Water Supply and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) sections and any person holding technical posts equivalent to Assistant Engineer and Assistant Executive Engineer are also competent to accord technical sanction as indicated above.

5. Measurement and check-measurement of works of Village Panchayats, Panchayat Union Councils and District Panchayats for all works other than National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) works - The authorities competent to measure and check-measure all original, maintenance and electrical works done or materials supplied, whether by contract or by departmental agency for all works other than National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) works shall be as specified below:

	Category of work (1)	Measuring Officer (2)	Check-measuring Officer (3)
1	W orks costing not more than rupees fifty thousand.	Overseer.	Block Engineer or Assistant Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).
2	W orks costing more than rupees fifty thousand.	Block Engineer or Assistant Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).	Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).

Explanations – (1) Assistant Engineers and Assistant Executive Engineers in Water Supply and Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY) sections and any person holding technical posts equivalent to Assistant Engineer and Assistant Executive Engineer are also competent to measure and check-measure the works as indicated above.

(2) A bill should not be passed at any stage until and unless the work has been both measured and check-measured by the competent authorities.

(3) The Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj) shall also super-check not less than five percent of the works costing not more than rupees fifty thousand.

(4) The Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj) shall also super-check atleast ten works check-measured by Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development) in each Block every year.

6. Measurement and Check-Measurement of works under National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme – (1) The authorities competent to measure and check-measure all works done or materials supplied whether by contract or by departmental agency for works under National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme shall be as specified below:-

	Value of work (1)	Measuring Officer (2)	Check-Measuring Officer (3)
1	Bills of value not more than rupees one lakh.	Overseer.	Block Engineer or Assistant Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).
2	Bills of value more than rupees one lakh.	Block Engineer or Assistant Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).	Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj).

(2) In case of National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) works, if five successive bills for a work in a given Village Panchayat are each less than rupees one lakh, the Block Development Officer (Village Panchayats) shall stop payment on the fifth bill until and unless the work is super-checked by the Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj) concerned.

(3) The Block Development Officer (Village Panchayats) shall not pass the final bill for a National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) work in a Village Panchayat until and unless it is check-measured or super-checked, as the case may be, by the Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj) concerned.

7. Power of the President of Village Panchayat in respect of water supply maintenance works - Village Panchayat President can spend upto rupees six hundred per hand pump per year and upto rupees seven thousand and five hundred per power pump per year by production of vouchers and with the approval or ratification of the Village Panchayat without reference to Overseer, Assistant Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj-W ater Supply) and Assistant Executive Engineer (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj-W ater Supply) as the case may be, for sanction of estimates or passing of bills.

8. Power of the President of Village Panchayat during emergency - During emergency, the President may prepare estimates with the help of Panchayat Assistant, get the prior approval of the Village Panchayat and execute works, up to a limit of rupees two thousand at a time and not exceeding rupees five thousand in a year in respect of works executed out of Village Panchayat Fund Account only. After completion of the works, the details and vouchers shall be placed before the Village Panchayat at its next meeting for information.

(This Notification issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.3888/ FS/P/2007, dated 1.12.2007).

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NOTIFICATION - II

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 7 of the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 (Tamil Nadu Act 43 of 1998), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints Tender inviting authorities and Tender accepting authorities, as indicated in Tables I and II below:-

Sl. No.	Category of works	Tender	Tender Accepting Authority		Authority
NO.	OI WORKS	inviting Authority	In case of no	For tender	(i) For tender excess
			tender excess	excess upto 5% in case of works costing not more than rupees five lakhs.	of works costing not more than rupees five lakhs; (or) (ii) For any tender
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
(1)	General Fund W orks of Village Panchayat	President	Village Panchayat	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
(2)	Scheme works entrusted to Village Panchayat	President	Village Panchayat	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
(3)	Scheme works entrusted to Block Development Officer (Village Panchayats)	Block Develop- ment Officer (Village Panchayats)	Block Development Offiær (Village Panchayats)	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
(4)	General Fund works of Panchayat Union	Block Develop- ment Officer (Block Panchayat)	Panchayat Union Council	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
(5)	Scheme works entrusted to Panchayat Union	Block Develop- ment Officer (Block Panchayat)	Panchayat Union Council	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj
(6)	Scheme works entrusted to Block Development Officer (Block Panchayat)	Block Develop- ment Officer (Block Panchayat)	Block Development Officer (Block Panchayat)	Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj

TABLE – I.

Tender Inviting Authority	Tender Accepting Authority			
	tender excess upto 5% in case of individual works costing not	not more than rupees twenty five lakhs or package of works costing		
1	2	3		
Project Officer, District Rural Development Agency.	District Collector	Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj.		

TABLE – II

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