

Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam – Conduct of Rural Sports Competitions and distribution of prizes at the Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam Village Panchayats of 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 during the Pongal Holidays of January, 2010 also – Orders issued.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (SGS1) Department

G.O.(Ms.) No.131

Dated : 27.11.2009

Read :

- 1) G.O.(Ms.) No.73, RD & PR Department , Dated 28.07.2009
- 2) From the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Letter Roc.No.49261/09/AGAMT-2, dated 10.11.2009.

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ORDER :

In the Government Order first read above, orders have been issued for conduct of Rural Sports Competitions at the Village Panchayat Level in the 7,594 Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam Village Panchayats of 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 on the occasion of Perarignar Anna's Birthday (i.e) 15th September and for distribution of prizes as per the Guidelines annexed therein and to incur a sum of Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) per Village Panchayat from the concerned Village Panchayat Fund Account.

2) The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in his letter 2nd read above has stated that the Rural Sports Competitions were conducted in all the 7,594 AGAMT Village Panchayats of 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 on 15.9.2009. The response of the rural public to the above Sports Competitions was overwhelming which can be judged by the fact that overall, in the State, a total of 2.69 lakh participants participated in 100 mtr. Sprint Competitions, 1.83 lakh participants participated in Long Jump Competitions, 1.62 lakh participants participated in High Jump Competitions, 1.45 lakh participants participated in Chess Competitions and 1.67 lakh participants participated in Carom Competitions. The response in the two team events, viz., Volley Ball and Tennikoit was also overwhelming and 32,465 teams participated in Volley Ball Competitions and 39,149 teams participated in Tennikoit Competitions across various Village Panchayats of the State. Further, the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has stated that the District Collectors of various Districts have sent reports about the success in the conduct of Rural Sports Competitions and it has been suggested in the meeting of Project Officers, District Rural Development Agencies that such Rural Sports Competitions should be conducted at least twice a year in order to ensure that :

- (a) the rural youth are further encouraged towards participating sports and games and
- (b) the infrastructure created under AGAMT towards Sports Centres in the Village Panchayats is put to proper usage on a regular basis which is also beneficial for the community at large.

3) In view of the overwhelming response to the Rural Sports Competitions and the benefits accrued out of the conduct of the Competitions as elaborated above, the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has recommended that the Government may issue order for the conduct of the Rural Sports Competitions in all AGAMT 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 Village Panchayats during the Pongal Holidays of January, 2010 also and the same guidelines as were already issued in the Government Order first read above may be followed for these Competitions also. Similarly, as mentioned in the guidelines the expenditure for the conduct of Rural Sports Competitions per Village Panchayat should not exceed Rs.10,000 per Village Panchayat and hence, the net approximate expenditure for all the 7,594 Village Panchayats will not exceed Rs.7.594 crores.

4) The Government have carefully examined the proposal of the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in detail and decided to accept it. Accordingly, the Government direct that Rural Sports Competitions be conducted at all Anaithu Grama Anna Marumalarchi Thittam 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 Village Panchayats during the Pongal Holidays of January, 2010 also and the same guidelines as were already issued in the Government Order first read above should be followed for conduct of these competitions and distribution of prizes and also to incur a sum not exceeding Rs.10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only) per Village Panchayat from the concerned Village Fund Account and the net approximate expenditure for all the 7,594 Village Panchayats should not exceed Rs. 7.594 crores.

5) This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.3291/FS/P/2009, dated 20.11.2009.

(By Order of the Governor)

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