

Quality Control - Appointment of 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Quality Monitors for monitoring Road works under PMGSY, NABARD (RIDF), AGAMT, TFC etc and works implemented under other Schemes in Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department viz., NREGS, Panchayat Union School Renovation Programme, Samathuvapuram etc.  
- Ordered - Amendments

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**Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (SGS 1) Department**

G.O.(Ms.) No.25

Dated : 23.03.2009

Read :

1. G.O.(Ms.) No.176.RD & PR Department, dated 21.11.2008.
2. From the CRD & PR Letter Roc.No.38738/2008/TU2, dated 28.2.2009.

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**ORDER :**

In the G.O first read above, the Government among others have permitted the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj to call for the 'Expression of Interest' from the retired Government Engineers/Private Engineers having specific qualifications mentioned in that Government Order for appointment of 30 State Quality Monitors in the State for (a) Roads and (b) Schemes, under each category through the Selection Committee constituted by the Government.

2) The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in his letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above has stated that he had called for 'Expression of Interest' from the retired Government Engineers not below the rank of Divisional Engineers (or equivalent) / Private Engineers by giving wide publicity in the Hindu (Southern edition) and in the Daily Thanthi (State Edition). Even after giving a wide publicity through Newspapers, only 27 retired Senior Government Engineers / Private Engineers responded. As such, the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has opined that the retired personnel in the cadre of Assistant Divisional Engineers (or equivalent) should also be allowed to be appointed as State Quality Monitors for monitoring the quality of works taken up under various Rural Development Schemes. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj had released an advertisement on 5.1.2009 calling upon the retired personnel of the level of Assistant Divisional Engineer (ADE) / Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) and above to apply for the posts of State Quality Monitors, in anticipation of the orders of the Government. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, has therefore requested the Government to ratify his action for having released the advertisements in the Newspapers by modifying the qualification criteria prescribed by the Government and to issue amendment modifying the qualifications permitting the retired personnel of the level of Assistant Divisional Engineer (ADE) / Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) and above to apply for the post of State Quality Monitor. He has also requested for specific orders regarding utilization of PMGSY funds for State Quality Monitor (Roads) and AGAMT funds for State Quality Monitor (Schemes) towards payment of honorarium, conveyance charges in the G.O. first read above and sent necessary draft amendments for approval of the Government.

3) The Government have examined the request of the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, carefully and decided to accept it. Accordingly, the Government ratify the action of the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj in having released the advertisements calling for 'Expression of interest' from the retired personnel of the level of Assistant Divisional Engineer (ADE) / Assistant Executive Engineer (AEE) and above for the posts of State Quality Monitors, in anticipation of orders of the Government and issue the following amendments to the G.O.(Ms.) No.176, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, dated 21.11.2008.

### **AMENDMENT – I**

For the existing paragraphs A and B under the head (i) Qualifications occurring in the Annexure to the said G.O. the following paragraphs shall be substituted.

**A. State Qualify Monitors – Roads:** Retired officials in the rank of at least Assistant Divisional Engineer (or equivalent) and above in Highways, Public Works Department, CPWD, Border Road Organization (BRO) or any other departments /undertakings of Government of India / Tamil Nadu or Private Engineers of any firm having more than 25 years of experience in road laying works, having a B.Tech/B.E (Civil Engineering) qualification.

**B.State Quality Monitors – Schemes:** Retired officials in the rank of Assistant Divisional Engineer (or equivalent) and above in Public Works Department, Tamil Nadu Housing Board, Tamil Nadu Slum Clearance Board, CPWD or any other department/ undertakings of Government of Tamil Nadu / India or Private Engineers of any firm having more than 25 years of experience in Civil Engineering Construction works, having a B.Tech/B.E (Civil Engineering) qualification.

### **AMENDMENT – II**

- a) The existing sub para No.(iv) of paragraph 3 of the said G.O. may be read as sub para (v)
- b) The following shall be added to the paragraph 3 of the said G.O. as sub para (iv).
  - (iv) The expenditure on advertisement, payment of Honorarium, Travel expenses/conveyance charges of the State Quality Monitors-Roads shall be met from the funds of PMGSY and that of State Quality Monitors – Schemes from AGAMT Scheme.

(By Order of the Governor)

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