Self Help Groups (SHGs) - Organising competitions for Self Help Group / Panchayat Level Federation (PLF) members at Block Level and District Level - 2009-10 - Sanction and Release of funds.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS 3) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.66

Dated: 16.07.2009.

Read:

- 1. G.O.(Ms.)No.104, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1) Department, dated 19.6.07.
- 2. G.O.(Ms.) No. 89, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.3) Department, dated 6.6.2008.
- 3. From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited, D.O. Letter No. 664/F/2009, dated 2.7.2009.

ORDER:-

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued for organizing competitions at Block and District Levels among Panchayat Level Federations and distribution of cash prizes and certificates for the year 2007-08.

2. In the Government Order 2nd read above, orders for continuing the scheme was issued.

3. In the letter third read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited has stated that it has been proposed to conduct competitions for Self Help Group / Panchayat Level Federation Members during 2009-10 as detailed below: -

- Competitions will be conducted first at Block level in November and December and at District level around Samathuva Pongal in the month of January.
- The competitions will be held first at the Block level and each Panchayat Level Federation will be represented by a team. The winning team at the Block level will participate in the District level competition.
- Competitions will be held in 4 events to be chosen from among debate, oratory, singing, group singing, group dancing, kolam etc. The competitions will be designed around socially relevant topics.
- Prize money and certificates will be given to the winning teams. The Block level winners in each event will be given prize money of Rs. 1000. At the District level, 3 prizes will be given for each event as follows:

1 st prize	:	Rs. 5000/-
2 nd prize	:	Rs. 3000/-
3 rd prize	:	Rs. 2000/-

He has also proposed to utilise the services of Women's Colleges, Polytechnics, ITIs and Girls' Schools which are willing and have adequate infrastructure for conducting these events.

4. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited, has indicated the estimated cost towards organizing these competitions as follows:-

SI. No	Item of Expenditure	Amount (Rs.)
	Estimated number of participants per Village Panchayat- 10	
1	Food & refreshment (@ Rs 50/- per person) (Rs50 x 10 nos.x 12618 Panchayats)	63,09,000
2	Transport charges @ Rs 10/- per person (Rs.10 x 10 nos. x 12618 Panchayats)	12,61,800
3	Cost of organising 4 events @ Rs 2500/- per event (Rs 2500 x 4 events x 385 Blocks)	38,50,000
4	Cost of prizes (4 events x Rs 1000) (Rs. 1000x 4 events x 385 Blocks)	15,40,000
5	Contingency and documentation (Rs. 2000 x 385 Blocks)	7,70,000
	Sub total	13730800

A. Block Level competitions:

B. District Level Competitions:

SI. No	Item of Expenditure	Amount (Rs.)
	Estimated number of participants per Block -15	
1	Food & refreshment (@ Rs 100/- per person) (Rs. 100 x 15 nos. x 385 Blocks)	5,77,500
2	Transport charges @ Rs 20/- per person (Rs. 20 x 15 nos x 385 Blocks)	1,15,500
3	Cost of organising 4 events (Rs 6000 x 4) (Rs. 6000 x 4 events x 32 districts)	7,68,000

4	Cost of prizes at district level (Rs 10,000/-) x 4) (Rs. 10000 x 4 events x 32 districts)	12,80,000
5	Contingency and documentation (Rs. 6000 x 32 districts)	1,92,000
	Sub total	29,33,000
	Grand Total (A) + (B)	1,66,63,800 or 1,66,64,000

5. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited, has stated that a sum of Rs.1,66,64,000/- is required for holding the competitions and a sum of Rs. 1.60 crores has been provided in the BE 2009-10. The excess cost on this account worth Rs.6,64,000/- will be incurred from out of savings available out of the funds received during the year 2008-09.

6. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited, has therefore requested (i) to accord sanction for a total cost of Rs.1.66 crores for holding the competitions among Self Help Groups / Panchayat Level Federations during 2009-10 (ii) to release an amount of Rs.1.60 crores provided in the Budget 2009-10 and also to exempt from the purview of Quarterly control appropriation (iii) accord permission to utilize a sum of Rs.6,64,000/- from out of the savings available out of the funds received during the year 2008-09 (iv) to authorize the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj to draw and disburse the amount to Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited, by means of cheque and (v) The Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department may be authorized to amend the guidelines of the scheme based on operational requirements, in consultation with Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited.

7. The Government after detailed examination, of the proposal of the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited have decided to accept the same and issue the following orders:-

- (a) Accord sanction for holding the competitions as proposed at Para 3 and 4 above during 2009-10 at a total cost of Rs.1.6664 crores (Rupees One crore and sixty six lakhs and sixty four thousands only) and to release an amount of Rs.1.60 crores (Rupees One crore and sixty lakhs only) and also exempt from the purview of Quarterly control Appropriation.
- (b) Permits to meet an expenditure of Rs.6.64 lakhs (Rupees six lakhs and sixty four thousands only) over and above Rs.1.60 crores (Rupees One Crore and sixty lakhs only) from the savings of previous years.

- (c) Authorize the Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department to amend the guidelines of the scheme based on operational requirements, in consultation with the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited.
- (d) The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited shall take into account the savings of previous years while sending proposals for the next year.
- 8. The expenditure sanctioned in para 7 above shall be debited to the following head of account: -

"2235 – Social Security and Welfare – 02- Social Welfare 103 Women's Welfare Schemes in the Eleventh Five Year Plan II - State Plan LV- Organising competitions among Self Help Groups -09 Grant in aid-03 Grants for specific Schemes (DPC 2235-02-103-LV-0939)".

9. The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj is authorized to draw the amount sanctioned in para 7 above and to disburse the same to Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited by means of cheque. The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Corporation for Development of Women Limited is requested to send the utilization certificate to the Accountant General, Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and Government for record at the end of the financial year.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.Note No.1810/PS/P/09 dated 9.7.2009.

(By Order of the Governor)

K. ASHOK VARDHAN SHETTY, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.