



ABSTRACT

Schemes – Annual maintenance of Hand Pumps, Power Pumps and Street lights in Village Panchayats – Revised Rates and Guidelines - Orders - Issued.

Rural Development & Panchayat Raj (SGS-3) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.157

Dated:21.12.2015

Read:

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- 1) G.O.(Ms)No.223, Rural Development (P3) Department, dated 19.12.1994.
 - 2) G.O.(Ms)No.84, Rural Development (P3) Department, dated: 05.05.1998.
 - 3) G.O. (Ms) No.63, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (C2) Department, dated 29.6.2006.
 - 4) G.O. (Ms) No.55, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (SGS-3) Department, dated 01.04.2008.
 - 5) From the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15 Roc.No.26938/2015/ PRI 3.2, dated 22.07.2015.

ORDER:

In the Government order first read above orders were issued prescribing Norms for replacement of Tube lights, Chokes, Starters, Bulbs, High Power Mercury Vapour / High Power Sodium Vapour Lamps and Light Fittings in Village Panchayats in a year. Subsequently, in the Government Order second and third read above, orders were issued fixing the ceiling for annual maintenance of expenditure for hand pumps and power pumps in Village Panchayats in order to enable the Village Panchayats for easy and timely maintenance of hand pumps and power pumps to provide regular drinking water supply in Village Panchayats in a year.

2. In his letter fifth read above, the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has stated that representations were received from the representatives of Panchayat Raj Institutions and the Officials at District level for upward revision of the ceiling for annual maintenance of hand pump and power pump since the rate has been fixed long back and the labour and materials cost have been increased considerably.

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3. The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj has therefore requested the Government to revise the guidelines and annual maintenance charges for Water Supply and Street lights by the Village Panchayats in rural areas as follows:-

1. (a) Hand Pumps:

Revision of Maintenance	Existing Charge Rs.	Proposed Charge Rs.
Hand Pumps	600/-	1,000/-

(Wage Component only)

(b) Power Pumps – (i) Existing Charge :- Rs.7,500/-

(ii) Proposed Charge is as follows:-

i.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 2 HP motors	Rs.7,500/- (Mini Power Pumps)
ii.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 5 HP motors	Rs.10,000/-
iii.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 7.5 HP and above motors	Rs.12,000/-

(Wages and Material Component)

2. Installation / Replacement of street lights materials:

S.No.	Installation / Replacement of street lights materials:	Existing Charge Rs.	Proposed Charge Rs.
i.	Charge for changing incandescent bulbs	5/-	(The incandescent bulbs are not used by the Village Panchayat at present)
ii.	Charge for changing of tube lights and sodium vapour lamps	20/-	50/-
iii.	Charge for changing chokes, starters and condensers	10/-	25/-

4. The Government have examined the proposal of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj and decided to accept the same. Accordingly, the annual maintenance charges and the guidelines for Hand pumps, Power pumps and Street lights in Village Panchayats are henceforth be revised as follows:

Hand Pumps:

The ceiling for annual maintenance expenditure is Rs.1000/- (One thousand only)

Guidelines:

1) Maximum ceiling of annual maintenance for one hand pump in a year is Rs.1,000/- for which Panchayat resolution only is enough.

2) The above ceiling will be applicable for wage component only. The materials required should be procured as per the rate approved by the District Purchase Committee.

3) Whenever expenditure exceeds Rs.1,000/- at the first or second instance for the particular hand pump, estimate from overseer is necessary and work should be executed as per tender procedure.

4) For the hand pumps which are permanently dry or dysfunctional, repair work should not be undertaken in such hand pumps.

Power Pumps:-

i.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 2 HP motors	Rs.7,500/- (Mini Power Pumps)
ii.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 5 HP motors	Rs.10,000/-
iii.	Annual maintenance expenditure for 7.5 HP and above motors	Rs.12,000/-

Guidelines:

1) The maximum ceiling of maintenance expenditure per year for 5 HP motor is Rs.10,000/-.

2) If the expenditure exceeds Rs.10,000/- at the first or second instance for the particular power pump, separate estimate is necessary from the Overseer for undertaking repair and tender procedure is necessary for execution of works.

3) The Village Panchayats can incur expenditure for the above purposes by passing a resolution in the council within the ceiling. Separate estimate from the Overseers / Engineers and technical sanction are not necessary.

4) In case, the annual maintenance expenditure exceeds the ceiling, estimate should be obtained from the concerned Overseer / Assistant Engineer and technical sanction should be obtained. Tender procedure also should be duly followed in such cases.

5) Registers: Separate Registers should be maintained at the Village Panchayats for maintenance of hand pumps and power pumps. The date and amount spent for each hand pump / power pump should be recorded in the Register. This will help in verification of expenditure and in checking whether the amount spent is within the ceiling or in excess of the allowed limit.

Installation / Replacement of street light materials:

i.	Charge for changing tube lights and sodium vapour lamps	Rs.50/-
ii.	Charge for changing chokes, starters and condensers	Rs.25/-

(As the incandescent bulbs are not used by the Village Panchayats at present, rate has not been fixed for the same.)

5. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O. No.67960/Finance (RD) Department, Dated : 16.12.2015.

(By Order of the Governor)

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