

From

Thiru.P.Ponniah, I.A.S.,
Director, Rural Development and
Panchayat Raj,
Panagal Maligai, Saidapet,
Chennai-15.

To

The District Collector/Chairman,
District Rural Development Agency,
All Districts.

Rc.No. 30450/2023/MGNREGS-I-2 Dated:02.02.2024

Sir/Madam,

Sub: RD & PR Department - MGNREGS - Establishing Rural Sports Centre in All the 12525 Village Pnahcyats during the year 2023-24- Instruction issued-Regarding.

Ref : 1.Schedule I: Notification No. 19(E), Dt.03.01.2014.
2.Annual Master Circular issued by Government of India, Ministry of Rural Development for the implementation of MGNREGS 2022-23.

I invite your attention to the references cited.

1. The Government of Tamil Nadu has launched several schemes to encourage sports activities among youth in the state, to promote physical strength and spirit of friendly competition, which in turn, has positive impact on the overall personality development of the youth and making Tamil Nadu as the Sports Capital of India.

The Hon'ble Minister for Youth Welfare and Sports Development has made an Announcement on the floor of the Assembly during the budget session 2023-24 that,

"நம்ம ஊரு விளையாட்டுத் திடல்" - ஊரக வளர்ச்சித் துறை மற்றும் பள்ளிக் கல்வித் துறையுடன் ஒருங்கிணைந்து அனைத்து ஊராட்சிகளிலும் விளையாட்டு மைதானங்கள் அமைக்கப்படும்.

2. Accordingly, in order to promote the sports in early ages among the School Children and Rural Youth and encouraging them to involve in Sports activity, it is proposed to develop Rural Sports Centre in all 12525 village panchayats

dovetailing funds from MGNREGS, Central Finance Commission Grants, State Finance Commission Grants, Namakku Name Thittam, District Mining Funds, CSR Funds etc.

The sports grounds will help the rural youth and kids to develop the habit of playing and enable them to focus and be moral and friendly with others. Further, the grounds will help the kids to take the sports as career from the early ages.

3. As per para 4(1)(IV)(iii) of the Revised Schedule I of Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act 2005 construction of play grounds can be taken up under MGNREGS. Further, as per the list of permissible works in Annual Master Circular Construction of Play ground for Community is one of the permissible works in Sl.No. 255 under the category of "D Assets".

Based on the availability of land in the village panchayat the grounds shall be established in 3 categories as follows.

Sl. No	Category	Land Availability	Number of Grounds to be established	Tentative estimate Amount for earth work in Rs.
1	Category A	25 Cent and above	6 Sports and Two Bars	1,45,000
2	Category B	10-25 Cents	4 Sports and Two Bar	60,000 to 1,45,000
3	Category C	Below 10 Cent	2 Sports and Two Bar	60,000

The earth work (levelling) for the development of the above sports grounds should be done under MGNREGS to the highest extent of Rs.1,00,000 Lakh per panchayat.

4. Identification of site:

Rural Sports Centre should be established in any unobjectionable Poromboke / Poromboke lands vested with Panchayats adjacent to the habitations having the required extent of land.

The concerned Assistant Engineer / Junior Engineer / Overseer will inspect the identified site and submit a feasibility report to the Block Development Officer (VP). Officials from Revenue Department are to assist the RD&PR officials for the site selection.

The Block Development Officer (VP) will consolidate the report along with the approval of the Grama Sabha and to submit the proposal to obtain administrative sanction by the District Collector for the establishment of Rural Sports Centre.

5. Establishment of Sports Ground

The following grounds are considered to be popular sports in the rural area. Hence, the following grounds shall be taken up for the establishment of 12,525 Rural Sports Centre.

S. No	Type of Track/ Grounds/Courts	Size (in m)	Tentative Cost for Sports Equipment in Rs			Total Amount in Rs.
			Pole	Net	Ball	
1	Volley ball court	9.00x18.00	8000	1250	950	10200
2	Throw ball	12.20x18.30	8000	750	650	9400
3	Kho-Kho ground	16.00x27.00	3500	0	0	3500
4	Ball Badminton Court	6.10x12.40	3000	500	3000	6500
5	Cricket Pitch	35x5	0	18500	3500	22000
6	Kabaddi Ground	10.00x13.00	0	0	0	0
7	Parallel bar	0.15x0.007	4500	0	0	4500
8	Pull up bar	0.15x0.07	4500	0	0	4500

The supply of sports equipment and material shall be met out under Central Finance Commission Grants, State Finance Commission Grants, Namakku Name Thittam, District Mining Funds, CSR Funds etc. Due procedure and guidelines of schemes should be followed for the purchase of sports equipment and material.

6. Technical Specification:

- The site proposed should not be a low-lying or water-logged area. An elevated surface shall be selected for the formation of the playground.
- Levelling the Ground surface by cutting /filling including compaction by using power roller and it should be specifically mentioned in the estimate and in the administrative sanction.
- Proper slope should be maintained so that the water gets drained off easily.
- Brick pitching to be provided in the corners for Volleyball and Ball Badminton court etc without projecting above ground level so as to demarcate the boundary.
- Detailed Estimate along with Type Design/Drawing of Sports Ground will be issued by Director, RD&PR
- The Assistant Engineer (RD) / Block Engineer shall ensure that the technical specifications are adhered to and the estimate costs of the proposed works have been correctly arrived at.

7. Non-Negotiable Items under MGNREGS

1. As per the Annual Master Circular 2022-23, only one play ground in a Gram Panchayat can be constructed under Mahatma Gandhi NREGS. The site in where sports ground established under MGNREGS or any other scheme previously should not be selected again.
2. Citizen Information Board shall be kept at the work site in 3 X 4 feet with all necessary information as per the framework given by the Government of India vide Ref No: k11023 /1 / 12017 – MGNREGA (IV), MoRD, Dated 07.04.2017.
3. Geo Tagging of the Assets shall be done for all 3 stages namely Before, During and After completion of the work.
4. MGNREGS work files (Checklist / Contents) as per the instructions of GoI, vide Ref no: J11001017/6/12016 – MGNREGA (VII), MORD, Dt 21.12.2016 has to be maintained for all works.
5. The Rural Schedule of Rate finalised in G.O. Ms. No.65, RD&PR (CGS.1) Department, Dated 21.04.2023 and G.O. Ms. No.74, RD&PR (CGS.1)

Department, Dated 05.06.2023 shall be adopted. In case of revision made in Rural Schedule of Rates (RSoR) in future, the same shall be adopted.

6. Resolution should be obtained for in the Gram Sabha for all the selected works and it should be entered work wise in Register No.2 of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA of village panchayats concerned.
7. After Completion of Rural Sports Center, Detailed Documented report on each school with High Resolution Photos (Before, During and After) and Sports Events proposed to be conducted should be sent to Director, RD&PR.

8. Timeline for the completion of Rural Sports Center

Sl. No	Work to be done	Timeline for completion
1	Site selection by BDO(VPs)/Assistant Engineers	07.02.2024
2	Administrative Sanction by the District Collector under MGNREGS	10.02.2024
3	Commencement of Work	15.02.2024
4	Completion of Work	29.02.2024
5	Sanction of work order for the purchase of sports material Under various schemes in para 5	15.02.2024
6	Installation of sports material	31.03.2024

Further, I request you to adhere the timeline for the establishment of Rural Sports Center in all the 12525 Village Panchayats as above and necessary instructions down the line to field officials shall be issued immediately. The progress report should be submitted to this office on a fortnightly basis.


22/24
Director

Copy to:

1. The Principal Secretary to Government,
Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department,
Secretariat, Chennai-09
2. Additional Collectors (Dev)/Project Directors,
District Rural Development Agency, All Districts.


2/2/24