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To

The District Collector / Chairman,  
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All Districts.

**Rc.No.41639/2024/MGNREGS-I-2, Dated:27.06.2024**

Sir / Madam,

Sub: Mahatma Gandhi NREGS - RD & PR Department -  
Announcements made by Hon'ble Minister of Rural Development  
Department on the floor of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on  
22.06.2024 - 500 Culverts/Minor Bridge - Works to be taken up  
under MGNREGS during the FY year 2024-25 - Executive  
instructions issued - Regarding.

Ref : 1. Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister for Rural  
Development Department on the floor of the Tamil Nadu  
Legislative Assembly on 22.06.2024.  
2. Annual Master Circular 2024-25.  
3. Wage Rate G.O. (MS) No.93, RD & PR (CGS.1) Department,  
dated.22.05.2024.

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I invite your attention to the references cited.

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited, the Hon'ble Minister for Rural Development has  
made the following Announcement on the floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative  
Assembly on 22.06.2024 during the budget demand of Rural Development &  
Panchayat Raj Department that.

மகாத்மா காந்தி தேசிய ஊரக வேலை உறுதித் திட்டத்தின் கீழ் போக்குவரத்து  
வசதிகளை மேம்படுத்தவும், ஊரக சாலைகளில் குறுக்கே செல்லும் ஓடைகள் மற்றும்  
வடிகால்கள் மேலாக 500 சிறுபாலங்கள் ரூ.140 கோடி செலவில் கட்டப்படும்.

In the "Permissible Works List" communicated by MoRD, GoI, construction of  
culverts / cross drainage structures for community has been listed at Sl.No.99,  
under the category of "D" Assets". Hence, it is proposed to construct 500 Culverts  
/ Minor Bridge as per the as per the Labour Budget - Shelf of Project 2024-25 in  
rural areas under MGNREGS.

The Government of India have notified the wage rate for the FY 2024-25 as Rs.319/- per day in respect of Tamil Nadu. Accordingly, the revision of wage rate and the Rural Schedule of Rate (RSoR) was approved vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> cited for the FY 2024-25 shall be adopted for this work.

Under MGNREGS, Construction of Culverts / Minor Bridge works are approved by the Empowered Committee, Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India during the Empowered Committee Meeting held on 27.03.2024.

**The above works were also proposed by your district in the Shelf of Project of Labour Budget 2024-25.**

Hence, I request you to execute the above works as per guidelines.

**General Conditions for Work selection:**

1. Out of 500 Cross drainage structures proposed, 250 will be taken up as Culvert 1.5 m/3.0 m and 250 Minor Bridges based on the requirement at district level.
2. Construction of cross drainage structures shall be selected on the following basis (1) roads which are connecting habitations, (2) Taluk and Panchayat headquarters, (3) roads linking to marketing centres, educational centres, health centres, etc.,
3. The existing damaged cross drainage structures having insufficient vent way shall also be selected.
4. Normally, when the ground generally slopes from one side to another, the embankment intercepts natural flow of rainwater. In such cases, balancing culverts are provided at the rate of one per 500 m length of road to avoid water logging.
5. Selection of type cross drainage structure for a particular road primarily depends on the linear waterway and hydraulic particulars apart from topography, catchment area, cross-section of the stream at proposed crossing, High Flood Level / Maximum Flood Level and Road Top Level, etc.,
6. Span of the culvert or need of Minor Bridge shall be fixed based on linear waterway of the channel / stream.

**Non-Negotiable Items:**

1. The cost of Citizen Information Board will be fixed as Rs.1000/- for wall painting at the structure itself all the 11 details should be mentioned in the CIB. The cost of the Citizen Information Board shall be included in the estimate itself.
2. Estimate creation, Administrative sanction and Technical sanction shall be done in SECURE software.
3. The work should be included in the Labour Budget- Shelf of Project 2024-25.
4. 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.
5. Labour and Material ratio of 60:40 should be ensured.
6. Span of the culvert or need of Minor Bridge shall be fixed based on linear waterway of the channel / stream.

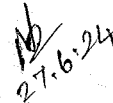
Hence, I request you to accord Administration Sanction for 500 Culverts / Minor Bridge in rural areas under MGNREGS and also request you to accord Administrative Sanction from the proposed works from the Shelf of Project of Labour Budget 2024-25 and to send the AS given details to this Directorate on or before 10.07.2024.

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For Director.

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27.6.24

