



Constitution

FINANCE (ALLOWANCES-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. No. 18, dated 9th January 1992

(Margazhi 25, Pirajorpathi, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2022)

MEDICAL AID—Constitution of a Fund to render grant/loan assistance to Government employees for surgery/treatment—Orders issued.

READ—the following papers :—

- (i) G.O. Ms. No. 1023, Health, dated 17th June 1980.
- (ii) G.O. Ms. No. 2131, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 24th November 1981.

Order—No. 18, Finance (Allowances I), dated 9th January 1992.

Government has been concerned at the distress caused to families of Government employees when the employee is struck by a major ailment. In a modern society it is usually possible to get medical assistance to cure/correct such maladies. Coronary bye-pass surgery and renal transplantation have now been made possible. Some of these remedies are very expensive causing great hardship to the Government employees.

2. Government have decided to constitute a "Government Employees Health Fund" to provide a measure of relief to Government employees so affected.

3. This fund will be utilized to extend grants/loans for major remedies/surgeries which cannot be undertaken in Government hospitals. Each Government employee will contribute a sum of Rs. 5 per annum. The Government will extend a contribution of Rs. 40 lakhs per annum to build up the Fund. The Government accordingly sanction Rs. 40,00,000 (Rupees forty lakhs only) towards its contribution to the Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund.

The annual subscription of Rs. 5 from each employee for the current year 1991-92 will be recovered from the salaries for the month of January 1992. The annual subscription will be recovered from the salary each year in June in subsequent years.

4. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts will administer the scheme in the foregoing paragraph. The transactions will be subjected to audit by the Chief Auditor of State Trading Schemes and to test audit by the Accountant-General.

5. The expenditure towards the Government contribution constitutes an item of New Service and the approval of Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of Legislature the expenditure will be initially met by an advance from Contingency Fund. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts shall apply in the prescribed form for the sanction of advance to Government in Finance (BG. I) Department.

6. (a) The annual subscription of Rs. 5 recovered every year and the Government contribution of Rs. 40,00,000 besides the recoveries from the beneficiaries shall be credited to the new Head of Account, viz., K. Deposits and Advances—(b) Deposits not bearing interest—8443. Civil Deposits—800. Other Deposits—AH. Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund (Receipts) [(DPC No. 8443 800 AH (00J (R).]

(b) The Government contribution to the Fund shall be debited to the new Head of Account, viz., 2235.00. Social Security and Welfare—60. Other Social Security and Welfare Programmes—200. Other Schemes—Non-Plan—BS. Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund—10. Contribution (DPC No. 2235 60 200 BS 1009).

(c) Sanctions of the assistance to the Government employees, etc., shall be debited under "K. Deposits and Advances—Reserve Funds—(b) Deposits not bearing interest—8443. Civil Deposits—800. Other Deposits—AH. Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund (Out go) [DPC No. 8443 00 800 AH 0009(0)]."

The classification shall take effect from Revised Estimate/Final Modified Appropriation, 1991-92.

7. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts shall be the estimating, reconciling and controlling authority for the Head of Account with the Data Processing Code ordered to be opened above.

8. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts shall communicate the Data Processing Account Code to his subordinates concerned and to ensure noting of correct head/code in the bills.

9. No schedules need be attached to pay bills for the deduction made nor separate accounts maintained therefor.

10. An entry shall be made in the Service Book of any employee to whom assistance is sanctioned, specifying the amount and recovery schedule (in the case of loan).

11. The Pay drawing officers will be responsible for the prompt recovery of subscription.

12. The rules framed for administering the scheme are appended to this order.

13. The rules governing the fund shall be reviewed by Government with reference to the facilities available in the Government Medical Institutions from time to time.

(By order of the Governor)

N. NARAYANAN,
Secretary to Government.

To All Secretaries to Government

.. the Secretary, Legislative Assembly Secretariat.

.. all Departments of Secretariat.

.. all Departments of Secretariat (Bills).

.. all Heads of Departments,

.. all Collectors,

.. all District Judges,

.. all District Magistrates,

.. the Accountant-General, I Madras-18.

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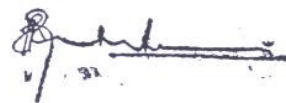
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(By order)



Section Officer.

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Draft rules governing the constitution of a Fund for the purpose of granting financial assistance to Government employees to undergo advanced surgery/treatment.

These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund Rules, 1991.

1. Scope :

The scope of these rules shall be to constitute a separate fund for the purpose of granting financial assistance to Government servants who have to undergo certain specialised advanced surgery/treatment for which facilities are not ordinarily available at the Government Medical Institutions.

2. Extent of Application :

These rules shall extend to the whole of the State of Tamil Nadu. These rules shall apply to all categories of full-time regular (time-scale) Government employees of the Government of Tamil Nadu.

3. Constitution of the Fund :

There shall be constituted a Fund for the purpose of granting financial assistance to Government employees who undergo specialised advanced surgery or treatment either in India or abroad. The fund shall be constituted with an annual subscription of Rs. 5 (Rupees five only) from each employee from his salary for the month of June every year, and the amount shall be credited into the Deposit account.

4. Specialised Advanced Surgery/Treatment :

For the purposes of these rules, "Specialised advanced surgery or treatment" shall mean—

- (a) Surgery or treatment specified in Schedule I to these rules;
- (b) Such other surgery or treatment deemed to be specialised advanced surgery or treatment by the Government having regard to the circumstances of a particular case.

5. Procedure for Assistance :

Financial assistance to employees shall be granted from the fund subject to the following conditions :—

- (a) Employees seeking assistance under these rules shall apply to the Administrative Department concerned through their Head of Department with such evidence as may be necessary or relevant to establish the need for the proposed special treatment for which assistance is sought.
- (b) the Heads of Department shall process the applications in consultation with the Director of Medical Education or Director of Medical and Rural Health Services as the case may be, and forward them along with their recommendation to the Director of Treasuries and Accounts in the first instance. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, shall, for each case, indicate the balance in the fund before sanction of the amount covered therein assuming full sanction of the amount covered by it, and forward it to the Administrative Department of Secretariat.
- (c) The Administrative Department of Secretariat shall examine the application in consultation with Finance Department and issue orders thereon, to the Director of Treasuries and Accounts to release the sanctioned amount.
- (d) The Director of Treasuries and Accounts shall operate the Personal Deposit Account for the fund and issue cheques or Demand Drafts, as the case may be, and intimate the Heads of Departments concerned.
- (e) Payments from the Fund shall ordinarily be made by crossed cheques/drafts drawn in favour of the medical institution where the employee proposes to undergo treatment. This requirement may be relaxed in exceptional cases where such procedure would be impracticable or cause hardship.

4. Governance of the Fund :

- (a) The Tamil Nadu Government Employees Health Fund constituted under these rules shall be a separate fund under the governance of the State Government.
- (b) Financial assistance from the Fund shall be sanctioned either in the form of out-right grant or partly in the form of grant and partly in the form of loan, based on the quantum of assistance required.
- (c) Assistance sanctioned under these Rules shall be in the form of —
 - (i) Grant to the maximum extent of Rs. 25,000 or the total assistance sanctioned, whichever is lower, in the case of treatment in India.
 - (ii) Loan to the extent to which it exceed Rs. 25,000 shall carry simple interest at 10 per cent in the case of treatment in Countries other than India.
- (d) Assistance sanctioned shall in no case exceed a maximum of Rs. 1 lakh.
- (e) Loans sanctioned under rule 6 (c) (ii) shall be recovered from the salary of the employee in such number of instalments as the Government may prescribe in each case. The Heads of Department concerned shall be responsible for effecting such recovery.

Schedule I.

- 1. Open heart surgery.
- 2. Renal Transplant.
- 3. Lithotripsy.
- 4. In vitro Fertilisation.



Section Officer.