

The Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (Central Act XI of 1948) - Revision of minimum rates of wages for employment in Forestry - Preliminary Notification - Confirmation - Orders - Issued.

LABOUR WELFARE AND SKILL DEVELOPMENT (J1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(2D) No.92

Date: 31.10.2022

சுபகிருது வருடம், ஐப்பசி–14 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2053

Read:

- 1. G.O.(2D) No.105, Labour and Employment (J1) Department, dated 26.11.2018.
- 2. G.O.(D) No.150, Labour Welfare and Skill Development (J1) Department, dated 05.04.2022.
- 3. From the Commissioner of Labour (I/c.), Chennai 600 006, Letter No.Ge3/36897/2021, dated 15.09.2022.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, the minimum rates of wages for the employment in Forestry were revised under the provisions of the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (Central Act XI of 1948).

- 2. In the Government Order second read above, a Preliminary Notification was published in order to revise the minimum rates of wages further for the above said employment.
- 3. The Commissioner of Labour (I/c.), in his letter third read above, has stated that no objections and suggestions were received from the persons likely to be affected by such revision and has requested the Government to confirm the above said Preliminary Notification.
- 4. The Government have now decided to confirm the orders issued in the said Preliminary Notification, without any modification.
- 5. The appended Notification will accordingly, be published in the <u>Tamil Nadu Government Gazette</u> both in English and Tamil. The Works Manager, Government Central Press, Chennai-600 001 is requested to publish the Notification and send each five copies of the Gazette to the Government and to the Commissioner of Labour, Chennai-600 006 for reference and record. The Director, Tamil Development and Information (Translation) Department,

Secretariat, Chennai-600 009 is requested to send the Tamil translation of the Notification to the Works Manager, Government Central Press, Chennai-600 001.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

Md. NASIMUDDIN ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Works Manager, Government Central Press,

Chennai-600 001 (for publication in the Government Gazette).

The Director, Tamil Development and Information (Translation) Department, Chennai-600 009.

The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Labour, Chennai-600 006.

The Director of Industrial Safety and Health, Chennai - 600 032.

Copy to:

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment, New Delhi-110 001.

The Director, Labour Bureau, Ministry of Labour, Government of India, SCO-28-31, Sector 17-A, Chandigarh-160 017.

The Employers' and Employees' Association.

(through the Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Labour, Chennai-600 006)

The Regional Labour Commissioner, Shastri Bhavan, Chennai-600 006.

The Senior Personal Assistant to the Hon'ble Minister for Labour Welfare and Skill Development, Chennai-600 009.

The Senior Private Secretary to the Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Labour Welfare and Skill Development Department, Chennai–600 009.

The Labour Welfare and Skill Development (OP-II) Department, Chennai–600 009.

The Law (LW&SD/Scrutiny) Department, Chennai-600 009.

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APPENDIX. NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 3 and sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Minimum Wages Act, 1948 (Central Act XI of 1948) and in supersession of the Labour and Employment Department Notification No.II(2)/LE/1090/2018 published at pages 1177-1178 of Part II-Section 2 of the <u>Tamil Nadu Government Gazette</u>, dated the 26th December 2018, the Governor of Tamil Nadu, after consultation with the Advisory Board, hereby revises the minimum rates of wages payable to the classes of employees in the employment in Forestry in the State of Tamil Nadu, specified in column (1) of the Schedule below, as specified in the corresponding entries in column (2) thereof, the draft of the same having been previously published as required by clause (b) of sub-section (1) of section 5 of the said Act.

2. This Notification shall come into force with effect on and from the date of its publication in the <u>Tamil Nadu Government Gazette</u>.

THE SCHEDULE.

Employment in Forestry.

Classes of employees.	Minimum rates of basic wages (Rs.)	
(1)	(2)	
(1) Nursery Mazdoor / Nursery Worker.		
(2) Plot Mazdoor / Plot Watcher.	311.00	
(3) Fire Patrol Watcher.	per day	
(4) Sandalwood Protection / Roaming Watcher.	poi du,	
(5) Daily wages of Mazdoors:		
Grade-I	327.00 per day	
Grade-II	321.00 per day	
Grade-III	311.00 per day	
Note		
The Nil	The Nilgris and Tirunelveli districts.	
3. Grade - III / Class - C - Other d	listricts.	
(6) Mazdoor in Sandalwood Depot:		
Class-I (Final Cleaning)	327.00 per day	
Class-II (Rough Cleaning)	321.00 per day	
Class-III (other work)	311.00 per day	
(7) Wattle Operations:	<u> </u>	
Peeling the bark.	4297.00 per metric tonne.	

Loading Operations.	1283.00 per metric tonne.
Cutting of bark and stacking.	990.00
	per stack of 3 cubic metres.
(8) Blue Gum:	
Cutting and Stacking.	899.00
	per stack of 3 cubic metres.

Explanations.- (1) <u>Dearness Allowance.-</u> In addition to the minimum rates of basic wages fixed above, the employees shall be paid dearness allowance as indicated below:

- (i) The dearness allowance is linked to the Average Chennai City Consumer Price Index for the year 2010, that is 161 points (with base 2001=100) and for every raise of one point over and above 161 points, an increase of Rs.1.92 (Rupee one and paise ninety two only) per point per day shall be paid as dearness allowance.
- (ii) The dearness allowance shall be calculated every year on the first April on the basis of the average indices for the preceding twelve months that is from January to December.
- (iii) The first calculation shall, thus be effective from the date of publication of this notification in the <u>Tamil Nadu Government Gazette</u>, based on the average of Chennai City Consumer Price Index for the previous year.
- (2) Where the nature of work is the same, no distinction in the payment of wages shall be made between men and women employees.
- (3) The daily rate of wages and dearness allowance include the element of weekly holiday wages also.
- (4) Wherever the existing wages are higher than the minimum rates of wages fixed herein, the same shall be continued to be paid.

Md. NASIMUDDIN
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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