ABSTRACT

Environment – Announcement for the year 2019-2020 – Conducting Eco-Competitions and Eco-camps to National Green Corps Club students at a cost of Rs.2.00 lakh per district for 32 districts – Orders – Issued.

Environment and Forests (EC.2) Department

G.O.(2D).No.34

Dated:14.10.2019

Read:

2. From the Principal Secretary/Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Chennai-32 Letter No.TNPCB/ETI/ F.018673/2019, dated 28.08.2019.

ORDER:

During the Budget session, while moving the Demand for Environment for the year 2019-2020 the Hon’ble Minister (Environment) has made the announcement for Conducting Eco-Competitions and Eco-camps to National Green Corps eco club boys and girls students at a cost of Rs. 2.00 lakh per district for 32 districts will be carried out during 2019-2020.

2. The Director of Environment in her letter first read above has stated that the Department of Environment is the Nodal Agency for implementing the National Green Corps in Tamil Nadu and active since 2002-2003. There are 8000 National Green Corps Eco clubs functioning in 32 districts at the rate of 250 per district. The Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change, Government of India approved a grant of Rs.5,000/- per school during 2018-2019 for the activities of National Green Corps. Training is given to the teacher coordinators in each district of the State for National Green Corps activities. Every year, around 320000 children participate in the awareness movement under this programme. The National Green Corps Students are engaged in various environmental awareness programmes like celebrating at least six Green Days in schools, school campus cleaning, tree planting, environmental awareness rallies, vermicomposting, enviro-expo, enviro-competitions, anti-plastic campaigns, cultural programmes on environmental awareness, nature camps, Swachh Bharat, etc.,

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3. The Director of Environment has further stated that in order to strengthen environmental consciousness among school students and to disseminate the importance of environment to the students, eco competitions among the National Green Corps students in three disciplines of Quiz, Elocution and Drawing for two sections viz., students upto 8th Standard and above 8th Std., in all the Revenue Districts are being conducted. Prizes with certificates, eco-tours, separately for boys and girls being arranged for the winners. The above activities will be conducted at a total cost of Rs.64.00 lakhs at the rate of Rs.2.00 lakhs per district for 32 districts.

4. The Director of Environment has therefore requested to issue administrative orders to execute the project and issue directions to the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board to release the financial assistance of Rs.64.00 lakhs in total to the Member Secretary, Environment Management Agency of Tamil Nadu to execute the project for the year 2019-2020 through the Environment Management Agency of Tamil Nadu.

5. The Principal Secretary/ Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board in his letter second read above has informed that the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board will consider to release an amount of Rs.64.00 lakhs for the above programme from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board’s fund on getting necessary Government Orders from the Government and necessary approval from the Board.

6. The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of Director of Environment for conducting Eco-competitions and Eco-camps to National Green Corp Eco Clubs boys and girl students at a cost of Rs.2.00 lakhs per district for 32 districts at a total cost of Rs.64 lakhs during the financial year 2019-2020 through the Environment Management Agency of Tamil Nadu with the financial support of Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board. Accordingly, the Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board is hereby directed to release the financial assistance of Rs.64.00 lakhs to the Member Secretary, Environment Management Agency of Tamil Nadu for implementing the above programme, after obtaining necessary approval from the Board.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.45617/Finance (AH&D&F)/ 2019, dated 23.09.2019.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SHAMBHU KALLOLIKAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board,
Guindy, Chennai-32.
The Accountant General, Chennai-18.
The Pay and Accounts Officer,
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The Resident and Audit Officer,
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