ABSTRACT

Massive Tree Planting Programme - Planting of 70 lakh seedlings for three years from 2017-2018 to 2019-2020 for increasing the Green cover in the degraded forests of Tamil Nadu in commemoration of the Late Hon’ble Chief Minister’s 70th Birthday – Funds Sanctioned - Orders – Issued.

Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department

G.O.(2D)No: 07
Dated: 23.02.2018

Read:

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued for implementing the Massive Tree Planting Programme of planting 69 lakh seedlings in commemoration of the Hon’ble late Chief Minister’s 69th Birthday.

2. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in his letter second read above has stated that the National Forest Policy of 1988 mandates achieving 33% of the total geographical area of the State as forest and tree cover. To increase the green cover in the State of Tamil Nadu the project of Massive Tree Planting Programme (MTPP) was conceived by Forest Department. The Massive Tree Planting Programme aims to increase green cover, mitigate the adverse effects of various environmental pollutants, improve biodiversity, increase birds population and enhance the aesthetic appearance of environment, thereby improve the overall quality of human life. Therefore, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has proposed to continue the scheme by planting 7,00,000 seedlings in 7000 acres of degraded forest areas in the State of Tamil Nadu for three years from 2017-2018 to 2019-2020, in commemoration of the Hon’ble late Chief Minister’s 70th Birthday.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has also stated that this scheme will be jointly implemented by Forests Department and Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department and overall 70 lakh seedlings will be planted. Forests Department will be undertaking plantations in degraded forest lands to the extent of 7000 acres using 7,00,000 of good quality saplings while 63,00,000 seedlings will be planted by Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department with MGNREGS funds, as per Rural Schedule of Rates. Hence, he has requested to sanction a sum of

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22,46,30,000/- (Rupees Twenty two crores, forty six lakhs and thirty thousand only) for implementing the above scheme including the preparatory works to be done in 2017-2018 and maintenance to be carried over in 2018-2019 and 2019-2020.

4. The Government have carefully examined the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in detail and accord Administrative sanction for a sum of Rs.22,46,30,000/- (Rupees Twenty Two Crores Forty Six Lakhs and Thirty Thousand only) for the implementation of Massive Tree Planting Programme in 7000 acres of degraded forest areas by planting 7,00,000 seedlings during the period commencing from the year 2017-2018 to 2019-2020. Further, financial sanction is also accorded for a sum of Rs.1,03,57,000/- (Rupees One Crore Three Lakhs and Fifty Seven Thousand only) for the preparatory works for raising nursery and inaugural planting in commemoration with the 70th Birthday of Hon'ble late Chief Minister as detailed in the annexure to this order. Regarding the cost of raising and maintenance of the plantations for the year 2018-19 and 2019-20, a separate proposal will be sent to NABARD for availing its assistance.

5. The expenditure sanctioned in para 4 above shall be debited to the following head of account :-


6. Necessary additional funds will be provided in Final Modified Appropriation 2017-2018 to meet the expenditure sanctioned in para 4 above. Pending provision of such funds, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is authorized to incur the expenditure. However, the above expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by a Specific Inclusion in the Final Supplementary Estimates for the year 2017-2018. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is directed to include this expenditure while sending the budget proposals for Final Modified Appropriation 2017-2018 and also to send draft explanatory notes for inclusion of this expenditure in Final Supplementary Estimates 2017-2018 to Finance(AHD&F) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.16/DS(B)/2018, dated: 23.02.2018 with Additional Sanction Ledger No.2812 (Two thousand eight hundred and twelve)

(By Order of the Governor)

MD. NASIMUDDIN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests(Head of the Department),
Chennai-15.
The Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Chennai-15.
The Accountant General, Chennai-18/35.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai.
All Chief Conservator of Forests / Conservator of Forests / District Forest Officer (through Principal Chief
Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15.)

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Implementation of Special Programme, Chennai-9.
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The Principal Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary to
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Government, Environment and Forests Department,
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B. Subhash
Section Officer
23/12/18
ANNEXURE to the G.O.(2D) No. 07, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department Dated: 23.02.2018

MASSIVE TREE PLANTING PROGRAMME IN TAMILNADU BETWEEN 2017-18 TO 2019-20
COST TABLE FOR RAISING, PLANTING & MAINTENANCE

TOTAL SEEDLINGS: 7,00,000

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