ABSTRACT

Appointment of Special Officers to Municipalities – Notified.

Municipal Administration & Water Supply (Elections) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.146 Dated 24.10.2016

Read:

1. From the Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Election Commission, Letter Rc. No. 5081/2016/EG1, dated 08.10.2016.


ORDER:

The appended Notification shall be published in an extraordinary issue of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated the 24th October, 2016.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K. PHANINDRA REDDY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Chennai – 600 005.
The Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Election Commission,
Chennai – 600 106.
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Chennai – 600 003.
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The Law (MA&WS-Scrutiny) Department, Chennai – 600 009.
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Section Officer.
APPENDIX
NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission has issued a notification for the purpose of filling up of ordinary vacancies in the offices of ward members / councillors of Town Panchayats, Municipalities and Corporations and called upon the electors to elect their respective ward members / councillors in accordance with the programme specified therein;

AND WHEREAS the Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its interim order, dated the 4th October 2016, in W.P.No 33984/2016 has, among others, quashed the Election Notifications issued for the conduct of Local Body Election by the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission and directed to issue fresh notifications, conduct election and complete the election process as per law, at the earliest not later than the 31st December 2016 and to administer the Local Bodies by appointment of Special Officers till the elections are held, as the present terms of the present Local Bodies are to expire soon and the same cannot be extended beyond five years;

AND WHEREAS the Commissioner of Municipal Administration and the Tamil Nadu State Election Commission have requested the Government to appoint Special Officers to administer the Municipalities as the terms of councils are due to expire on the 24th October 2016;

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Tamil Nadu has promulgated the Tamil Nadu Municipal Laws (Third Amendment) Ordinance, 2016 (Tamil Nadu Ordinance 2 of 2016), whereby section 375-B was inserted in the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920) enabling the State Government to appoint Special Officers to the Municipalities;

AND WHEREAS, in view of the circumstances aforesaid, it is necessary to appoint Special Officers to exercise the powers and to discharge the functions of the Municipalities under the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), until the day on which the first meeting of the councils of the Municipalities are held after ordinary elections to the Municipalities after the date of commencement of the said Ordinance or until the 31st day of December 2016, whichever is earlier;

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 375-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints the Commissioners of the Municipalities as the Special Officers of the respective Municipalities.

2. This Notification shall come into force on the 25th October 2016.

K. PHANINDRA REDDY
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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Section Officer.