ABSTRACT
Disaster Management - Naming of Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency (TNSDMA) as Tamil Nadu Disaster Risk Reduction Agency (TNDRRA) - Orders issued.

Revenue and Disaster Management Department,
Disaster Management Wing, D.M.I(2) section

G.O(Ms) No.234 Dated: 26.06.2018

Read:
2. From the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration Letter No.NC.III(2)/3551/2014, dated 11.05.2018.

ORDER:
In the Government Order first read above, Government issued orders for the establishment of an executive agency viz., Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency and to register it under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act to assist the Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority headed by the Hon'ble Chief Minister as the Chairperson as per the Disaster Management Act 2005, to monitor and review the status of prevention, management, mitigation, response and relief activities in the State. The Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority (TNSDMA) is assisted by the State Executive Committee chaired by the Chief Secretary.

2. The Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency (TNSDMA) has its own bye laws and is administered by a Governing Council and an Executive Council. The Hon’ble Minister for Revenue and Disaster Management is the Chairperson of the Governing Council with Chief Secretary and Secretary, Revenue, are the Vice Chairpersons. The Executive Council of the Agency is headed by the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration. Director/Commissioner, Disaster Management is the Chief Executive Officer and Member Secretary of the Agency.

3. In the letter second read above, the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has stated that the Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority and Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency have the same acronym viz., TNSDMA, which is used interchangeably, causing much confusion even in the usual course of daily administration. For instance, the office of the Accountant General during its performance Audit on Chennai Floods 2015, on many occasions misunderstood “Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management...”
Agency” as “Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority” due to the acronym of Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency. Hence, for clarity, he has suggested that the Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency which is functioning under the supervision of Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Disaster Management and Mitigation Department may be renamed as Tamil Nadu Disaster Risk Reduction Agency, with an acronym of TNDRRA and therefore requested orders of Government to rename Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency (TNSDMA) as Tamil Nadu Disaster Risk Reduction Agency (TNDRRA).

4. The Government after careful examination, accept the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration and rename the Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Agency (TNSDMA) as Tamil Nadu Disaster Risk Reduction Agency with an acronym of TNDRRA.

5. This order does not require the concurrence of Finance Department, vide its G.O (Ms) No.519, Finance (Salaries) Department, dated 29.09.1997.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

ATULYA MISRA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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