ABSTRACT

Pongal 2013 - Honourable Chief Minister’s Pongal Gift Hamper – Distribution – Orders issued

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COOPERATION, FOOD & CONSUMER PROTECTION (D2) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms) No. 2 Date: 05.01.2013

Read:

Announcement made by Honourable Chief Minister on 5.1.2013

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ORDER:

In the reference read above, the Honourable Chief Minister has announced, among other things, that all the 1.84 crore rice option cardholders in the State will be provided with Pongal gift hamper worth Rs.160/- each comprising 1 kg. of Raw Rice, 1 kg. of Sugar and a cash assistance of Rs.100/- for purchase of other items for the Pongal festival 2013, in view of the failure of the North East Monsoon and due to non release of water from Karnataka and consequently delayed release of water from Mettur Dam.

2. Pursuant to the above announcement, the Government direct that a gift hamper comprising 1 kg. of Raw Rice and 1 kg. of Sugar and a cash assistance of Rs.100/- be distributed to the 1.84 crore rice option cardholders through the fair price shops. The total cost involved towards the above scheme is Rs.300 crore.

3. Accordingly, the Government sanction a sum of Rs.300 crore (Rupees Three hundred crore only) to the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation towards the implementation of the scheme. The Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation will ensure adequate supply of raw rice and sugar in all the fair price shops and the cash assistance of Rs.100/- to each eligible card holder will be disbursed through Public Distribution System outlets along with rice and sugar. Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation will release advance to the respective cooperative societies based on the highest monthly offtake of rice cards in the last six months immediately. Over and above this advance, concerned societies can
incur the expenditure and claim it from the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation later. Excess or shortage on the release of funds to Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation will be adjusted against the advance subsidy account.

4. The amount sanctioned in para 3 above shall be debited to the following head of account “3456-00 CIVIL SUPPLIES 103. Consumer Subsidies I. Non Plan AE. Social Safety Net – Food Security – PDS support 11. Subsidies 02. General Subsidy (DPC 3456 00 103 AE 1123)”.

5. Necessary funds will be provided in RE/FMA, 2012-2013. Pending provision of funds in RE/FMA 2012-13, the Commissioner of Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 3 above to the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation. However, this expenditure will be brought to the notice of the legislature by specific inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates, 2012-2013. He is requested to arrange to obtain and furnish the Utilization Certificate from the Tamil Nadu Civil Supplies Corporation in due course. He is also, requested to include this expenditure while sending the budget proposals for RE/FMA, 2012-2013 and Supplementary Estimates, 2012-2013 to Finance Department.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 32/FS/P/2013, dated 05.01.2013 and the Additional Sanction Ledger No. is 2071 (Two Thousand and Seventy One).

(By Order of the Governor)

M.P. NIRMALA
Secretary to Government

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