

ABSTRACT

Tsunami occurred on 26.12.2004 - Disaster caused - Voluntary Contribution to Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund for Relief and Rehabilitation measures to the Tsunami victims - One day salary contribution by Government Employees/Teachers Associations/Unions - Procedure - Regarding.

PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS (K) DEPARTMENT.

G.O.Ms.No. 2
Dated: 4.1.2005

Read

G.O.Ms No.574, Revenue (NC.III) Dept., dated 28.12.2004.

ORDER:

The natural calamity, which struck the Tamil Nadu coast on 26.12.2004, was unprecedented in its suddenness and ferocity. It was also widespread in scale affecting villages and towns all along the coastline. Such a calamity of this nature has never been known. The death toll is enormous. Lakhs of people have been rendered homeless. It has totally damaged the coastal economy throughout Tamil Nadu. Fishermen have been devastated losing their homes, possessions and livelihood. The requirement of funds for relief and rehabilitation of the affected is colossal.

In view of the enormity of the task involved, the Government of Tamil Nadu has appealed to all well-meaning, kind hearted and right spirited persons, organisations in India and abroad to contribute generously to the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund. Several Tamil Nadu Government Employees / Teachers Associations / Unions have come forward and expressed their willingness to donate one day's salary as their contribution to this massive relief effort. The following procedure may be followed to facilitate the contributions /donations made by members of the Associations /Unions.

1) Any employee wishing to voluntarily donate one day's salary may give his/her willingness in writing to the concerned pay-drawing officer. The Pay Drawing and Disbursing Officer will work out the amount to be deducted on the basis of the gross amount of salary for the month of January 2005 divided by 31 days (Increment if any due in January 2005 may be ignored for this purpose). An advance salary Bill for one day for the month of January 2005 shall be prepared and presented by the Pay Drawing and Disbursing Officers in the respective Pay & Accounts Offices/Treasury/Sub Treasury. The Pay Drawing and Disbursing Officer will obtain a consolidated Cheque in favour of "the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund". The Cheque along with a statement of Names, Designation and the name of the office of the contributing employees shall be sent to the District Officer in the Department, who shall be the Nodal Officer for that District in that Department nominated by the concerned Head of Department. The Nodal Officer, in turn, will send the Cheques so received along with the Statement of particulars to the Joint Secretary to the Government and Treasurer,

Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund, Finance Department, Secretariat, Chennai-600009, under intimation to the concerned Head of Department. The Head of Department will monitor the collection and forwarding of contributions along with the Statements to the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund.

2) In respect of Offices of Heads of Department, and the departments of Secretariat the same procedure shall be followed and the drawing and disbursing officer shall send the cheques and statement of particulars direct of Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund.

3) In respect of Self-drawing officers the same procedure outlined above can be followed and the Cheques so obtained along with the particulars may be handed over to the Pay Drawing and Disbursing Officer of their Office for onward transmission to the Nodal Officer. In view of the dire emergency, it is desirable that the entire process be completed by the 7th of January 2005.

4) The individual Receipts from the Chief Minister's Public Relief Fund will be given on the basis of the Statements received from the Nodal Officers. These receipts will form the basis of claiming 100% exemption from Income Tax under section 80G (2) (iii hf) of Income Tax Act 1961.

5) Any employee willing to contribute more than one day's salary may also be permitted to do so as per the willingness given following the procedure under item(1) above.

6) The Salary for the remaining days in the month of January 2005 shall be drawn and disbursed following the regular procedure.

7) These orders shall apply mutatis mutandis to all employees of Local Bodies, Universities, Boards and Corporations, Aided Educational Institutions and other Institutions receiving grants from the Government and also to the employees drawing Consolidated Pay.

Pay drawing/disbursing officers shall ensure that the contributions are purely voluntary and the above procedure is evolved to facilitate the request for donation to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund made by the Staff Associations and Unions.

This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide U.O.No. 555 / JS (KG) / 2004, dated 31.12.2004.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**C. CHANDRAMOULI,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

All Secretaries to Government,

All Heads of Departments,

All District Collectors,

All Service Associations.

All universities.

The Registrar High Court, Chennai and Madurai.

All Public Sector Undertakings/Boards/Corporations.

All Treasury Officers.

The Accountant General, Chennai-9/18/35.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-5/9/35/79.

The Commissioner of Treasuries & Accounts, Chennai15.

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