

## GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

**Letter No.66491/Per-A/92-5,**  
Personnel and Administrative  
Reforms (Per-A) Department,  
Secretariat, Madras-600 009.

**Dated : 6.7.1993.**

From

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To

All Secretaries to Government.  
All Heads of Department including District Collectors, District Judges, Chief Judicial Magistrates.  
The Registrar, Tamil Nadu Administrative Tribunal, Madras-6.  
The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Madras-2.  
The Registrar, High Court, Madras-104.

Sir,

Sub : Public Services – Valuation authority mentioned in Form VI-A and Form VII appended to Tamil Nadu Government Servants Conduct Rules, 1973 – Defining of.

Ref : i. From the Principal Commissioner and Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Madras, Letter No.H1/32697/92, dated 25.5.92.

ii. G.O.I.M.W.H.&.S.O.M.No.A.V.(196), dated 31.8.63.

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As per rule 7(1)(b) of the Tamil Nadu Government Servants' Conduct Rules, 1973, a Government servant is required to seek permission of the prescribed authority before starting the construction or extension or entering into transaction for acquisition of a house either from out of loan or advance from the Government or others or part-final withdrawal from the Provident Fund in Form VI or VI-A, as the case may be, prescribed therein. In the said Form VI-A, it has been laid down, among other things, that the Government servant concerned is required to obtain a valuation report from a valuation authority. Similarly, valuation report in the form VII prescribed in the said Rules is required to be furnished by a Government servant along with completion report required to be furnished by him in the case of construction of house by a Government servant. The term "Valuation authority" is not defined in the said Rules.

2. The Principal Commissioner and Commissioner of Commercial Taxes, Madras, in his letter cited has raised a point whether the valuation report given by the following persons may be accepted :

1. (i) Licensed building surveyor attached to Municipalities/Local bodies.
- (ii) Private Civil Contractor possessing qualification in B.E./D.C.E.
- (iii) Private consulting C.E. possessing qualification in B.E./D.C.E..

3. The Chief Engineer, P.W.D. (Buildings), has stated that, since Government money is involved, it will be better if the issue of valuation certificate is vested with the persons against whom Government should have powers to take action against them, when any malpractices are noticed. He has therefore suggested that the said valuation certificates may be vested with P.W.D. Engineers only.

4. In the letter second cited, the Government of India have indicated the authorities from whom valuation report may be accepted in respect of Central Government employees. The Government after careful consideration have decided to prescribe the following procedure for acceptance of valuation certificate.

1. (i) Valuation reports given by the Engineers of P.W.D. may be accepted except in case of properties belonging to officers of P.W.D.
2. (ii) In case where it has not been practicable or possible for the Government servant to obtain a report from Public Works Department Engineers within a reasonable time limit, and in cases of properties belonging to Officers of P.W.D., the certificate issued by Civil Engineers who are public servants and are employed in a Department other than the Department of the Government servant concerned, with whom the Government servant has no direct official dealings, may be accepted.

5. I am to request you to follow the above procedure in future while accepting valuation certificates in Form VI & VII.

Yours faithfully,  
(Sd.)

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**for Joint Secretary to Government**

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