ABSTRACT

Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department - Annadhaanam Scheme - Annadhaanam provided in temples - Extension of the scheme Annadhaanam Scheme Fund constituted - Orders issued.

TAMIL DEVELOPMENT-CULTURE AND RELIGIOUS ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No. 107.


Read:

2. G.O.(Ms.)No.69, Tamil Development-Culture and Religious Endowments Department, dated 15-4-2002.

ORDER:

To extend the charitable activity of the temples, in Tamil Nadu. The "Annadhaanam Scheme Fund" was constituted in the Government Order second read above in selected temples all over Tamil Nadu to provide free mid-day meal to poor and needy public without any distinction of Caste, Creed or Religion, subject to the following conditions:

(i) The "Annadhaanam Scheme Fund" shall be based on contributions and donations received from the public. This fund is being constituted to provide free mid-day meal to poor and needy public.
(ii) The funds or any part thereof shall not be deployed for any other purpose outside the territory of India. Not more than 5% of receipts shall be spent for any Religious purpose. Under no circumstances, the Trustees/Administrator or any other Office bearers or their associate/relatives shall take any benefit or advantage directly or indirectly which will be detrimental to the object of the scheme.

(iii) The Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Administration Department shall select the temples for this scheme wherever and whenever necessary.

(iv) The administrator of the "Annadhaanam Scheme Fund" is the Executive Officers of the temples concerned. The Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Department is the administrator of the fund received for this purpose in his Office directly.

(v) The Secretary to Government, Tamil Development Culture and Religious Endowments Department or any other Officer to be directed by the Government shall take up necessary inspections to ensure proper management, utilisation and maintenance of the funds.

(vi) The investment of the funds shall be made according to the Income Tax Act, 1961 as amended from time to time. The administrator shall keep proper books of the accounts of the income and expenditure which shall be closed every year on 31st day of the March. The accounts shall be audited every year by a Chartered Accountant.

(vii) The administrator shall open, operate and maintain a bank account in the name of "Annadhaanam Scheme Fund". Such accounts shall be operated by the administrator. The said scheme is irrevocable.

(viii) In the case of winding up of the said scheme in a particular temple, this net funds shall be disposed to such schemes or approved institutions which are having similar objects and enjoying exemptions under section 80(G) of the Income Tax Act.

2) The Annadhaanam scheme fund constituted in G.O. second read above, has been extended. 81 temples in the G.O. third read above. The Special Commissioner and Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable Endowments Administration Department in his letter 5th read above has stated that as per the Government Orders issued, certificates are obtained for Income-Tax exemption for the donations received for Annadhaanam and requested for orders of the Government, for getting similar exemption under Section 80 (G) of Income-tax Act for the 18 temples in fourth phase. The Government have examined the request of the Special Commissioner and Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable (Admn.) Endowments Department, and directed Annadhaanam Scheme fund is constituted for 18 temples selected in fourth phase as in the Annexure, subject to the same conditions mentioned in para 1 above.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

P.A.RAMIAH,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.
To

The Special Commissioner and Commissioner, Hindu Religious and Charitable
Endowments Administration Department, Chennai-34.

The Manager, Reserve Bank of India, Chennai-1 (w.e)

The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

The Accountant General, Chennai-35

The Chief Commissioner of Income Tax, I, 121, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Chennai-34.

The Director of Income-tax (Exemption), Chennai.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai-35.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Chennai-35.

The Secretary to Governor, Chennai-32.

The Secretary to Chief Minister, Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister (HR&CE), Chennai-9.

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All Secretaries to Government, Chennai-9.

All District Collectors.

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Section Officer.

ANNEXURE

NAME OF THE TEMPLES SELECTED IN FOURTH PHASE FOR
ANNADHAANAM SCHEME

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<td>CHENNAI Arulmighu Agastheeswarar Temple and Prasanna Venkata Perumal Temple, Nungambakkam,</td>
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TIRUCHY

3. Arulmighu Subramaniaswamy Temple, Kumaravayalur.
4. Arulmighu Uthamar Temple, Pitchandarkoil.

PERAMBALUR

5. Arulmighu Madhanagopalaswamy Temple, Perambalur.

TANJORE

7. Arulmighu Sooriyanarayana Perumal Temple, Sooriyanar Koil, Tiruvitudaimarudur Taluk.

NAGAPATTINAM

10. Arulmighu Vaithyanathaswamy Temple, Vaitheeswarankoil.

THENI

11. Arulmighu Moongilanai Kamatchiamman Temple, Devathanapatti.

SIVAGANGAI


VIRUDHUNAGAR


KANYAKUMARI

14. Arulmighu Nagaraja Temple, Nagercoil (Kanyakumari Devasathanam)
15. Arulmighu Esakkiamman Temple, Muppanthal.

ERODE


COIMBATORE

17. Arulmighu Mariamman Vinayagar Temple, Soolakkal.

SALEM

18. Arulmighu Kasi Viswanathaswamy Temple, (Attached to Arulmighu Sugavaneswarar Temple)
Salem.

P.A.RAMIAH,
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