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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ DEPARTMENT

THE MAHATMA GANDHI NATIONAL RURAL EMPLOYMENT GUARANTEE SCHEME TAMIL NADU (UNEMPLOYMENT ALLOWANCE) RULES, 2022

[G.O. Ms. No. 41, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.1), 25th March 2022, பங்குனி 11, பிலவ, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2053.]

No. SRO A-6(d) /2022.

The draft of the following Rules which the Governor of Tamil Nadu proposes to make, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 32 read with section 7 of the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005, (Central Act 42 of 2005), is hereby published for information of all persons and notice is hereby given that the said draft rules shall be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of a period of thirty days from the date of publication of this notification in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette*.

- 2. Objections or suggestions, which may be received from any person with respect to the said draft Rules before the expiry of the period so specified will be taken into consideration by the State Government.
- 3. Objections and suggestions, if any, shall be addressed to the Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department, Secretariat, Chennai-600 009.

DRAFT RULES

- 1. These Rules may be called "The Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme Tamil Nadu (Unemployment Allowance) Rules, 2022".
 - 2. Definitions.- In these rules, unless the context otherwise required,-
 - (a) "Act" means the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act, 2005 (Central Act 42 of 2005);
 - (b) "Government" means Government of Tamil Nadu;
 - (c) "Job Card" means a key document that records workers entitlements under the Act;
 - (d) "Scheme" means Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme Tamil Nadu;

- (e) "State Employment Guarantee Fund" means the fund created to hold all funds received from the Central Government or Scheme, by the State Government for the purpose of implementation of the Scheme.
- 3. Terms and Conditions of eligibility for claiming Unemployment allowance:- The following Terms and Conditions are to be satisfied for claiming Unemployment allowance, namely:-
 - (a) The name of the person shall be registered in the Village Panchayat;
 - (b) The person seeking employment must possess a valid Job-card;
 - (c) The person shall apply for work and the application should be registered in the "Employment Demand Register" by the Panchayat Secretary.

4. Responsibility of Village Panchayat .-

- (1) It is the responsibility of the Panchayat Secretary to have sufficient number of works in the Shelf of Project of the Village Panchayat concerned based on the previous year's demand and in anticipation of expected demand during the current year. He should ensure that work is provided to the job seeker within fifteen days of his demand.
- (2) The Panchayat Secretary shall bring to the notice of the Programme Officer sufficiently in advance, if it is not in a position to provide employment to the applicant within fifteen days of his application, so as to enable the Programme Officer to make arrangements as required in sub section(3) of section 15 of the Act.

5. Sanctioning Authority:-

The Unemployment Allowance shall be sanctioned and disbursed by the Programme Officer.

- 6. Procedure for payment of Unemployment allowance.- The procedure for payment of Unemployment allowance shall be as follows:-
- (a) The data in the Programme Management Information System (NREGASoft) will check for cases of demand which have not resulted in provision of work within fifteen days from the date of registration of demand or the date from which work has been demanded, whichever is later. The provision of work is evidenced by the date on which the Muster Roll is started.
- (b) The Unemployment allowance will be generated automatically in NREGASoft. Payment of Unemployment allowance shall be made not later than fifteen days from the date of expiry of fifteen days specified in clause (a).

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Principal Secretary to Government.