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## HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

**Amendments to the Tamil Nadu Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2012.**

[G.O. Ms. No. 17, Human Resources Management (AR.III), 28th February 2023,  
மாசி 16, சுபகிருது, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2024.]

No. SRO A-16/2023.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (e) of sub-section (2) of Section 27 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2012:—

## AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules,—

(1) in rule 2, for clause (d), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

"(d) Words and expressions used in these Rules but not defined shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Act.";

(2) in rule 7, in sub-rule (2),-

(i) in clause (i), after the proviso, the following proviso shall be added, namely:—

"Provided further that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the appellant at the time of hearing and instead choose to hear him through the virtual mode.";

(ii) in clause (ii), for the proviso, the following proviso shall be substituted, namely:—

"Provided that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the complainant at the time of hearing and instead it may choose to hear him through the virtual mode, without prejudice to the powers vested with it under clause (a) of sub-section (3) of Section 18 of the Act.";

(3) in rule 8, in sub-rule (2), the following proviso shall be added, namely:— "Provided that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the Public Information Officer or Assistant Public Information Officer or such senior officer at the time of hearing and instead it may choose to hear them through the virtual mode.".

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