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ABSTRACT

Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department – Environment & Climate Change - Government Announcement for the year 2021-2022 – Establishment of Permanent Water Quality Monitoring Stations along major rivers in phased manner over the next 3 years and the online monitoring of sewage treatment plants on a real time basis by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board – Administrative approval for first phase – Orders issued.

Environment, Climate Change and Forests (EC-1) Department

G.O.(Ms).No.100

Dated: 03.11.2021 திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு-2052 பிலவ வருடம், ஐப்பசி - 17

Read:

- 1. Announcement made during the Budget Speech on the floor of the Assembly on 13.08.2021.
- 2. Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Letter No. TNPCB/DD(L) II/019287/ 2021, Dated 01.10.2021.

ORDER:

Online Real Time Water Quality Monitoring Stations have been set up by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) at fourteen locations in Tamil Nadu along major rivers viz., Cauvery, Bhavani, Noyyal, Thamirabarani and Kalingarayan Canals.

- 2. In the Budget Speech 2021-2022, the Government has made an Announcement on the floor of the Assembly on 13th August 2021 that as part of the Tamil Nadu River Conservation Project, the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board (TNPCB) will establish Permanent Water Quality Monitoring stations along the major rivers flowing through major cities and industrial clusters, in a phased manner over the next three years. Alongside, all Sewage Treatment Plants will be monitored online on a real time basis to ensure that they achieve the desired quality parameters and do not pollute water bodies.
- 3. In accordance with the above Budget Announcement the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board has proposed to accord administrative sanction for Rs.11.55 crores (tentative) from its own funds.
- 4. The Government accord administrative approval to restore and re-establish eight Real Time Water Quality Monitoring Stations out of fourteen stations which were washed away due to heavy torrential rain in the first Phase at a cost of Rs.1.45 crores. The Government also accord administrative sanction to

establish two mobile Real Time Water Quality Monitoring Stations to monitor bathing water quality parameters as per Central Pollution Control Board norms at a cost of Rs.2.00 crore from Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board's fund.

5. The Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board shall revise the second and third year cost proposal based on the current situation and the requirement. The Government also accord administrative sanction to Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board to apply for allocation of land (5 grounds) from Public Works Department or District Collector based on norms. Funds for the same shall be met out from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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