



ABSTRACT

Massive Tree Planting Programme - Planting 65 lakhs seedlings in 32 districts of Tamil Nadu for three years from 2012-2013 to 2014-2015 at a cost of Rs.43.55 crores
Orders - Issued.

Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.18

Dated: 22.02.2013

Read:

- 1. G.O. (Ms) No. 144, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department, dated 1.11.2011.
- 2. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter No.J2/38929/2012, dated 29.10.2012.
- 3. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter.Ref.No.J2/45527/2012, dated 3.12.2012.
- 4. Government Letter No.20730/FR.6/2012-8, dated 06.02.2013.
- 5. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests Letter Ref.No.J2/38929/2012, dated 13.2.2013.

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In the Government Order first read above, the Government permitted the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board to release an amount of Rs.43.55 crores in a phased manner to the Forest Department for planting 64 lakhs seedlings in Tamil Nadu in commemoration with the 64th Birthday celebration of the Chief Minister and the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests was requested to implement the scheme as per the guidelines laid down by the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board. The plantation of 64 lakhs seedlings has been completed.

The support to this scheme is overwhelming from various quarters. Hence it is proposed to continue planting of more trees in all 32 District in commemoration with the 65th Birthday of Hon'ble Chief Minister. In the letter fifth read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests sent proposal for raising and planting 2.08 lakhs seedlings for three years from 2012-2013 (i.e) two year planting and one year planting (2.08 lakhs seedlings during 2012-2013 and 2.82 lakhs seedlings during 2013-2014) in 32 districts at a cost of Rs.43.55 crores. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has stated that out of the physical target of 2,03,125 seedlings, 1,60,000 taller seedlings raised in 30X45 polythene bags in each district and 40,000 seedlings in 16X30 polythene bags at 1,98,125 numbers per district are to be planted. Tentative target for each district is 2,03,125 seedlings.

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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has also furnished the survival details, and has stated that the survival rate of 64 lakhs seedlings planted under Massive Tree Planting Programme during 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 varies from 80% to 97% in the districts except in Ramanathapuram and Virudhunagar where it is 54% and 55% respectively. He has also stated that planting of drought withstanding species in the districts has been included in the proposal. Regarding areawise distribution of species the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has stated that provision has been given to plant a maximum of 25% of the target (not more than 50,000 seedlings) in the degraded / open forest areas, when area is not available outside the forest areas as an exception case. Further, 50% of the target shall be proposed for planting in private schools, colleges, institutions etc and the balance of 25% of the target in Government schools, colleges, institutions, complexes etc.

3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has furnished the cost table for raising nursery, planting the seedlings and maintenance as detailed below:-

Commemoration of Hon'ble Chief Minister's Birthday Planting (16X30 cm)
(24th Feb.2013 to 28th Feb.2013)

Raising 16X30 cm seedlings @ 6500 per district - 2,28,800 nos. (including 10% replacement)	Rs.15.50 each	Rs.35.46 lakhs
Planting 16X30 cm seedlings (including watering upto March 2013) (208000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.28.50 each	Rs.59.28 lakhs
Raising seedlings for replacement during 2013-2014 (10% of planted seedlings) - (20800 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.12.71 each	Rs. 2.65 lakhs
1 year Maintenance of planted seedlings during 2013-2014 - (208000 Nos. of seedlings) (including watering from April 2013 to June 2013)	Rs.21.61 each	Rs.44.95 lakhs
Sub Total(I)		Rs.142.34 lakhs

Planting during Monsoon period (16X30 cm) (From July 2013 to Feb.2014)

Planting 16X30 cm seedlings @ 1,91,625 per hectare (67,45,200 Nos. of seedlings) including 10% replacement)	Rs.12.71 each	Rs.857.31 lakhs
Planting 16X30 cm seedlings (including watering during summer January 2014 - March 2014) (61,32,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.40.66 each	Rs.2493.27 lakhs
Planting seedlings for replacement during 2014-2015 (10% of planted seedlings) (61,32,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.13.59 each	Rs.83.33 lakhs
1 YEAR Maintenance of planted seedlings during 2014-2015 (61,32,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.4.81 each	Rs.294.95 lakhs
Sub Total (II)		Rs.3728.86 lakhs

Planting during Monsoon period (30X45 cm) (From Sep. 2013 - Feb.2014)

Planting 30X45 cm seedlings @ 5000 per hectare (1,70,000 Nos. of seedlings) including 10% replacement)	Rs.69.05 each	Rs.121.53 lakhs
Planting 30X45 cm seedlings (including watering during summer January 2014 - March 2014) (1,60,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs. 133.75 each	Rs.214.00 lakhs
Planting seedlings for replacement during 2014-2015 (10% of planted seedlings) (1,60,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs.73.85 each	Rs.11.81 lakhs
1 YEAR Maintenance of planted seedlings during 2014-2015 (1,60,000 Nos. of seedlings)	Rs. 85.30 each	Rs.136.48 lakhs
Sub Total (III)		Rs.483.82 lakhs

Total (I + II + III) = Rs.4355.02 lakhs (or) Rs.43.55 crores

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4. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has therefore requested that an amount of Rs.43.55 crores may be sanctioned for raising and planting 65 lakhs of seedlings for three years from 2012-2013 to 2014-2015 (i.e) two years planting and one year maintenance (2.08 lakhs seedlings during 2012-2013 and 62.92 lakhs seedlings during 2013-2014 and maintenance during 2014-2015) in 32 districts in Tamil Nadu.

5. The Government after careful examination accept the above proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and accordingly sanction the scheme implementing the programme of planting 65 lakhs seedlings in 32 districts in Tamil Nadu for three years from 2012-2013 to 2014-2015 (two years planting + one year maintenance) at a cost of Rs.43.55 crores (Rupees forty three crores and fifty five lakhs only) by availing a sum of Rs.30 crores (Rupees thirty crores only) from the fund of Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board. The Government also accord financial sanction for the remaining amount of Rs.13.55 crores (Rupees thirteen crores and fifty five lakhs only) from the State fund, treating as "New Service Scheme" as detailed in the annexure to this order.

6. The expenditure of an amount of Rs.13.55 crores (Rupees thirteen crores and fifty five lakhs only) sanctioned by the State Government out of the total cost of Rs.43.55 crores sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited to the following Head of account opened under Demand No 54.01:-

"4406. Capital Outlay on Forestry and Wildlife – 02. Environment and Forests and Wild life – 110. Wild Life – Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan – II. State Plan – JQ – Massive Tree Planting Programme – 16. Major works (DPC 4406 02 110 JQ 1603)".

7. The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board is requested to release a sum of Rs.30 crores in a phased manner, based on the progress of the scheme.

8. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is the Estimating, Reconciling Controlling Authority for the above New Head of Account.

9. The Pay and Accounts Officer's/Treasury Officer's concerned are requested to open this new Head of account in their accounts.

10. The expenditure of Rs.13.55 crores on the above scheme shall constitute an item of 'New Service' and approval of the Legislature shall be obtained in due course by inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2012-2013. Pending approval by the Legislature, the expenditure shall initially be met by an advance from Contingency Fund, the sanction of which will be issued by Finance (B.G.I) Department based on the application from the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests in the prescribed format along with a copy of this order. The Principal Chief Conservator

is requested to send necessary draft explanatory note to Finance (BG-I) Department to include this expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates, 2012-2013.

11. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department U.O.No.29/J.S.(A.R.)/A.H&F/2013, Dated:22.02.2013 and Additional Sanction Order No. 2378 (Two Thousand Three Hundred and Seventy Eight)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

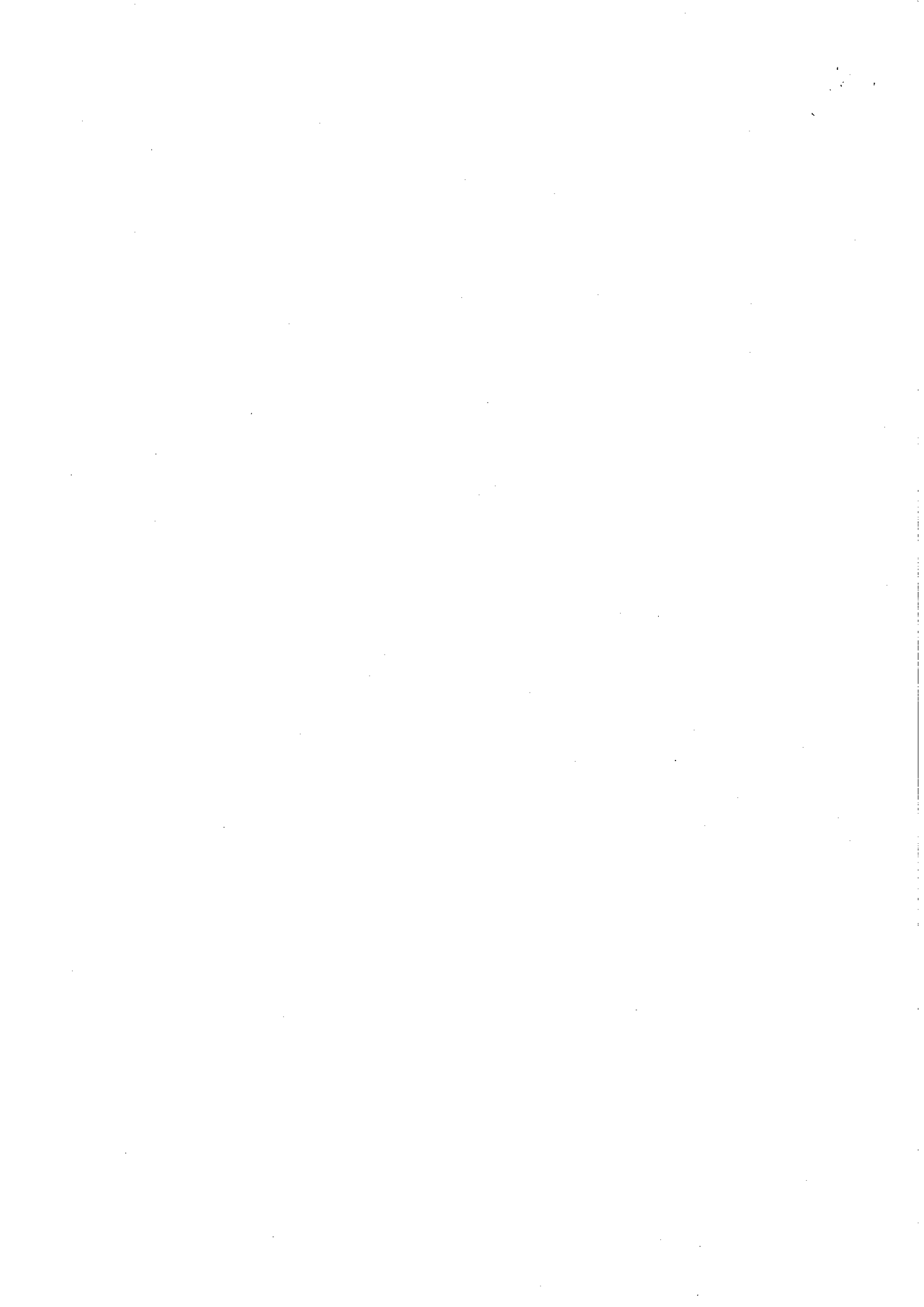
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- The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15
- The Chairman, Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board, Chennai-32.
- The Accountant General, Chennai-18/35.
- The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai.
- The Treasury Officers (Concerned District)
- through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15)
- The Chief Conservator of Forests / Conservator of Forests concerned
- through Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-15)
- All District Collectors.

- The Principal Secretary II to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-9.
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Finance), Chennai-9.
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Forests), Chennai-9
- The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Environment), Chennai-9
- The Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment and Forests Department, Chennai-9.
- The Secretary to Environment and Forests(EC-2) Department, Chennai-9.
- The Secretary to Finance (AH&F/BPE/BGI/BGII) Department, Chennai-9.

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ANNEXURE to the G.O(Ms) No: 18, Environment and Forests (FR.6) Department, Dated: 22.02.2013

MASSIVE TREE PLANTING PROGRAMME IN TAMILNADU BETWEEN 2012-2013 TO 2014-2015

COST TABLE FOR RAISING, PLANTING & MAINTENANCE (Watering - 50% by Department and 50% by Institutions)

Activity	2012-2013			2013-2014			2014-2015			Total Amount (Rs. in lakh)
	Qty.in Nos.	Rate / seedling (in Rs.)	Amount (Rs.in lakh)	Qty. in Nos.	Rate / seedlg. (in Rs.)	Amount (Rs.in lakh)	Qty.in Nos.	Rate / seedlg. (in Rs.)	Amount (Rs.in lakh)	
Commemoration of Hon'ble Chief Minister's Birthday Planting (16X30 cm) (24th Feb.2013 to 28th Feb.2013)										
Raising of 16x30 cm container seedlings @ 6500 seedlings per district	228800	15.50	35.46							35.46
Planting 16x30 cm seedlings during the last week of February 2013 (6 watering)	208000	28.50	59.28							59.28
Maintenance of 16x30cm seedlings raised for replacement of casualty										
a) Raising 16x30 cm. container seedlings for replacement of casualty	20800	9.50	1.98							1.98
b) Maintenance of 16x30 cm seedlings raised for replacement of casualty				20800	3.21	0.67				0.67
c) 1 Yr. Maintenance of 16x30 cm seedlings replacement & watering)				208000	21.61	44.95				44.95
Maintenance Total	20800	9.50	1.98	208000		45.62				47.60
Sub-Total (I)	208000		96.72	208000		45.62				142.34

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