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CO-OPERATION, FOOD AND CONSUMER PROTECTION DEPARTMENT

Amendment to Tamil Nadu State Consumer Welfare Fund Rules, 2007

[G.O. Ms. No. 100, Co-operation, Food and Consumer Protection (H2), 4th August 2009, ஆடி 19, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு-2040.]

No. SRO A-33/2009.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of Section 30 of the Consumer Protection Act, 1986 (Central Act 68 of 1986), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendment to the Tamil Nadu State Consumer Welfare Fund Rules, 2007:—

AMENDMENT

In the said Rules, in rule 5, in clause (a), for the words "Tamil Nadu General Sales Tax", the words "Tamil Nadu Value Added Tax" shall be substituted.

K. SHANMUGAM, Principal Secretary to Government.

HOME DEPARTMENT

Amendment to the Tamil Nadu Subordinate Police Officers' Conduct Rules, 1964.

[G.O. Ms. No. 823, Home (Pol.VI), 24th September 2009, புரட்டாசி 8, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2040.]

No. SRO A-34/2009.—In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 8 of the Tamil Nadu District Police Act, 1859 (Central Act XXIV of 1859) and Section 9 of the Chennai City Police Act, 1888 (Tamil Nadu Act III of 1888), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendement to the Tamil Nadu Subordinate Police Officers' Conduct Rules. 1964.

2. The amendment hereby made shall come into force with effect from 24th September 2009.

AMENDMENT

In the said Rules, for rule 4, the following rule shall be substituted, namely:—

"4 Gifts, Rewards and Dowry.—(1) Save as otherwise provided in these rules, no Police Officer shall, except with the previous sanction of the Director General of Police, accept or permit any member of his family, to accept from any person any gift of value exceeding Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only):

Provided that the sanction of the Director General of Police shall not be necessay for the acceptance of

- (a) gifts from a personal friend or close relative of a value not exceeding Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) on special occasions such as weddings, anniversaries, funerals and religious functions when the making or receiving of such gifts is in conformity with the prevailing religious or social customs;
 - (b) a complimentary gift of flowers or fruits or similar articles of trifling value;

Note.—All Police Officers shall use their best endeavours to discourage the tender of such gifts.

(c) rewards as permitted to be accepted with reference to the provisions under Police Standing Order 40:

Provided further that the Police Officer shall make a report to the Director General of Police, if the value of any such gift accepted on special occasions as referred to in clause (a) of the first proviso, exceeds Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only), within one month of the acceptance of the gift.

Explanation I.—For the purpose of this sub-rule, any trowel, key or other similar articles offered to a Police Officer at the laying of a foundation stone or the opening of a public building or any ceremonial functions shall be deemed to be a gift.

Explanation II.—The expression "gift" shall include free transport, boarding, lodging or other services or any other pecuniary advantage when provided by any person other than a close relative or personal friend having no official dealings with the Police Officer.

Note I.—A casual meal, lift or other social hospitality shall not be deemed to be a gift.

Note II.—A Police Officer shall avoid accepting lavish hospitality or frequent hospitality from any individual having official dealings with him or from any industrial or commercial firms, organizations, etc.

(b) a complimentary gift or flowers or fruits or similar articles of trifling value;

Note.—All Police Officers shall use their best endeavours to discourage the tender of such gifts.

- (c) rewards as permitted to be accepted with reference to the provisions under Police Standing Order 40.
- (2) If any question arises whether, any gift is one which can be accepted without the permission of the Director General of Police, or if a Police Officer is in any doubt whether a gift offered to him is one which can be accepted without the permission of the Director General of Police, a reference shall be made to the Director General of Police, by such Police Officer and the decision of the Director General of Police thereon shall be final.
- (3) Police Officers shall not make a habitual use of vehicles and animals belonging to persons other than a member of their family or to travel free of charge, in any vehicle plying for hire.
- (4) No Police Officer shall enter into any transaction with any private person or firm or company, engaged in any business or profession for the purchase of costly second-hand goods such as vehicles for conveyance, furniture, electrical domestic appliances, etc. at a favourable price which may tend to result in favoritism or patronage being shown to the Police Officer or which may render such Police Officer under an obligation to such private person or firm or company and which may be construed as a subtle form of corruption.

Explanation.—Nothing in this sub-rule shall prevent any Police Officer from entering into any transaction with any person or firm or company for the purchase of second hand articles at the normal or prevailing market rate.

- (5) (a) No Police Officer shall;-
 - (i) give or take or abet the giving or taking of dowry; or
- (ii) demand directly or indirectly, from the parents or guardian of a bride or bridegroom, as the case may be, any dowry.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule, "dowry" has the same meaning as in the Dowry Prohibition Act, 1961 (Central Act 28 of 1961).

(b) Every Police Officer shall, after his marriage or when he celebrates the marriage of his children furnish to the Director General of Police, a declaration that he has not taken any dowry. Where the Police Officer gets married, the declaration shall be signed by the Police Officer, the wife or husband, as the case may be, of the Police Officer and their parents or guardian. Where the son or daughter of the Police Officer gets married, the delcaration shall be signed by the parties of the marriage and their parents or guardian which shall include the Police Officer also".

Draft Amendment to the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989.

[G.O. Ms. No. 857, Home (Transport-V), 1st October 2009.]

- No. SRO A-35/2009.—The following draft of an amendment to the Tamil Nadu Motor Vehicles Rules, 1989, which is proposed to be made in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 138 of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988) read with sub-section (3) of Section 127 of the said Act, is hereby published for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby, as required by sub-section (1) of Section 212 of the said Act.
- 2. Notice is hereby given that the draft amendment will be taken into consideration on or after the expiry of 30 days from the date of publication of this Notification in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette* and that any objection or suggestion, which may be received from any person with respect thereto before the date of expiry of the aforesaid period will be considered by the Government of Tamil Nadu.
- 3. Objection or suggestion, if any, should be addressed in duplicate to the Principal Secretary to Government, Home, Prohibition and Excise Department, Chennai-600 009.

DRAFT AMENDMENT

In the said Rules, after rule 382, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:-

382-A. Recovery of towing charges.—The towing charges and helper charges which shall be recovered for removal of a motor vehicle which is abandoned or left unattended on public place or parked in a place where parking is legally prohibited, by a towing service shall be as specified in the Table below:—

THE TABLE

SI. No.	Class of Vehicle	Towing Charges Rs.	Helper Charges Rs.
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1	Motor Cycle	150.00	10.00
2	Motor Cycle involved in an accident	250.00	10.00
3	Light Motor Vehicle	350.00	25.00
4	Light Motor Vehicle involved in an accident.	750.00	25.00
5	Motor Vehicles other than motor cycles and light motor vehicles	750.00	50.00
6	Motor Vehicles other than motor cycles and light motor vehicles, involved in an accident	1000.00	50.00

EXPLANATORY NOTE.

Pursuant to the observation of Accountant General (Audit) that the revenue receipt realised towards towing charges collected by the Commissioner of Police, Chennai were not deposited into Government Account over a period of 15 years, the Government in G.O. Ms. No. 925, Home Department, dated 30-9-2002 have issued orders to credit the said amount into Government Account under a new receipt Head of Account and the amount was remitted accordingly. Therefore, it has become necessary to regulate and fix the collection of towing charges, where a motor vehicle is removed by a towing service authorised by a Police Officer under the provisions of the Motor Vehicles Act, 1988 (Central Act 59 of 1988).

D. JOTHI JAGARAJAN, Secretary to Government.