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ABSTRACT

Town Panchayats - Conversion of 566 Town Panchayats as Village Panchayats - Orders - Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & WATER SUPPLY (Election) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) NO: 270

DATED: 11.6.2004

READ:

G.O.(Ms)No.139, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 31.5.1994.

G.O.(Ms)No.142, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 31.5.1994.

G.O.(Ms)No. 203, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 13.8.1997.

G.O.(Ms)No. 204, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 13.8.1997.

Govt. Lr.No.6242/Elec/2002-4, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 17.12.2003.

From the Director of Town Panchayats Lr.Na.Ka.No.3603/02/E.1 Dated 27.1.2004

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ORDER:-

Prior to the Constitution (74th Amendment) Act, 1992, the town panchayats were governed under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1958. After the adoption of the Constitution amendments in the year 1994 in this State, the town panchayats were brought under the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920). According to section 3-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920, any local area having a population of not less than 5,000 and an annual income of not less than 1 lakh of rupees shall be constituted as a town panchayat. Since most of the town panchayats are financially weak, and rural in character, the Government considered that the town panchayats having a population of less than 30,000 may be reclassified as village panchayats so as to enable them to receive more funds from

the Government of India and State Government under various grants and assistance. It is found that out of 611 town panchayats in the State, 568 town panchayats are having a population of less than 30,000.

2. In the Government letter fifth read above, the views of the 568 town panchayats which are having a population of not more than 30,000 were called for on the proposed reclassification, under clause (d) of sub-section (3) of section 3-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920. The chairmen of the town panchayats were requested to obtain the resolution of the town panchayats as to why the notification constituting the town panchayat shall not be cancelled so as to constitute it as a panchayat under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 and send the same through the Director of Town Panchayats.

3. The Director of Town Panchayats in his letter sixth read above has forwarded the resolution of the 568 town panchayats together with this remarks. The Director of Town Panchayats has reported that out of the 568 town panchayats, 182 town panchayats have agreed to reclassify them as village panchayats, Vadipatti town panchayat in Madurai District has resolved to reclassify it as 5 village panchayats or otherwise it may continue as a town panchayat, 358 town panchayats have opposed their reclassification and resolved to continue them as town panchayats, 27 town panchayats have resolved to upgrade them as municipalities. The main points put forth by the above 385 town panchayats (358+27) for their resolution against their reclassification as village panchayats are (i) the present set up of administration is essential to attend to the public needs and (ii) revenues from tax and other sources may decline. The Director of Town Panchayats has reported that the characteristics of the town panchayats which have opposed the reclassification are identical to the characteristics of the town panchayats which have agreed to the reclassification. The Director of Town Panchayats has therefore suggested that all the 568 town panchayats may be reclassified as village panchayats.

4. According to clause (a), of sub-section (1) of section 4-A of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 the elected chairman and members of a Town Panchayat who are holding office as such immediately before the date of constitution of such town panchayats as village panchayats shall be deemed to be the elected president and members of such village panchayats and continue to hold office upto a date notified by the Government or if no date is notified upto next general elections. Further according to clause (b) of the said section, all the employees, other than the provincialised employees, of the town panchayat immediately before its constitution as village panchayat shall be the employees of such village panchayat. Levy of House Tax and other revenues from buildings, markets etc. will be continued to be collected under the provisions of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994. Revenues from Entertainment Tax and Surcharge on Stamp Duty will also continue. Therefore the contention of the town panchayats which are opposing their reclassification are not acceptable. The Government, have, therefore decided to overrule the objections raised in the resolutions of the town panchayats.

5. In the High Court of Madras, Writ Petitions have been filed against the reclassification of Narasingapuram town panchayat of Salem District (W.P.No.38738/2003) and Punjai Puliampatti town panchayat of Erode District (W.P.No.38800/2003) and the High Court has granted interim stay in the writ petitions. The Government, therefore direct the reclassification of 566 town panchayats as village panchayats except the above said town panchayats with effect on and from the 14th day of June, 2004.

6. The Government further direct that the assets of the above said 566 town panchayats shall be transferred in the name of village panchayat concerned for proper upkeep and maintenance. As regards liabilities are concerned, orders on discharging the liabilities by the local bodies will be issued separately.

7. As regards, the absorption of staff, orders will be issued separately.

8. The appended Notifications to cancel the notifications constituting the 566 Town Panchayats will be published in the

9. The Collectors of the District concerned are directed to take action under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 to constitute them as Village Panchayats with effect on and from the 14th June, 2004.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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APPENDIX

NOTIFICATION-I.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (ii) of clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 3-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby cancels the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, Notification No.II (2)/MW/1929 (e-3)/94, dated the 31st May 1994, published at pages (2) to 12 of Part II - Section 2 of the **Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, Extraordinary**, dated the 31st May 1994, in so far as it relates to the following town panchayats with effect on and from the 14th day of June, 2004, in order to constitute the said town panchayats as village panchayats under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994):-

COIMBATORE DISTRICT

1. Anaimalai
2. Annur
3. Avinasi
4. Irugur
5. Gudalur
6. Zamin Uthukuli
7. Kalapatti
8. Karamadai
9. Karumathampatti
10. Kottur
11. Madathukulam
12. Palladam
13. Periyanaickenpalayam
14. Saravanampatti
15. Sirumugai

16. Sulur
17. Thudiyalur
18. Vadavalli
19. Vellakinar
20. Vellalur
21. Vettaikaranpudur
22. Chinnavedampatti
23. Dhaliyur
24. Kaniyur
25. Kannampalayam
26. Kinathukadavu
27. Komaralingam
28. Narasimhanaickenpalayam
29. Odaiyakulam
30. Othakalmandapam
31. Pallapalayam
32. Perianegamam
33. Perur
34. Pooluvampatti
35. Samalapuram
36. Samathur
37. Sarcarsamakulam
38. Suleeswaranpatti
39. Vedapatti
40. Veerakeralam

41. Veerapandi
42. Alanthurai
43. Chettipalayam
44. Dhali
45. Ettimadai
46. Idikarai
47. Mopperipalayam
48. Sankaramanallur
49. Thenkarai
50. Thirumalayampalayam
51. A Thirumuruganpoondi
52. Thondamuthur

CUDDALORE DISTRICT

1. Kattumannarkoil
2. Parangipettai
3. Vadalur
4. Thittagudi
5. Kurinjipadi
6. Bhuvanagiri
7. Gangaikondan
8. Pennadam
9. Srimushnam
10. Lalpet
11. Melpattampakkam
12. Thorapadi

13. Mangalampetai

14. Killai

15. Sethiathoppu

DHARMAPURI DISTRICT

1. Harur

2. Kariamangalam

3. Palacodu

4. Pennagaram

5. Papparapatti

6. Kambainallur

7. Marandahalli

8. Kadathur

9. Pappireddipatti

10. B Mallapuram

DINDIGUL DISTRICT

1. Oddanchatram

2. Natham

3. Chinnalapatti

4. Batlagundu

5. Nilakottai

6. Veda sandur

7. Ayyampalayam

8. Ayakudi

9. Palayam

10. Ammainaickanur

11. Balasamudram
12. Pattiveeranpatti
13. Pannaikadu
14. Neikkarapatti
15. Sithayankottai
16. Vadamadurai
17. Thadikombu
18. Agaram
19. Kannivadi
20. Ayyalur
21. Keeranur
22. Srirampuram
23. Sevugampatti
24. Eriodu

ERODE DISTRICT

1. Anthiyur
2. Appakudal
3. B.P. Agraharam
4. Chennimalai
5. Chithode
6. Kangeyam
7. Kannivadi
8. Karumandichellipalayam
9. Kodumudi
10. Kolathupalayam

11. Kuhalur
12. Kunnathur
13. Lakkampatti
14. Mulanur
15. Nambiyur
16. Periakodiveri
17. Perundurai
18. Sivagiri
19. Suriyampalayam
20. Vaniputhur
21. Vengampur
22. Pallapalayam
23. Kolappalur
24. P Mettupalayam
25. Jambai
26. Salangapalayam
27. Kasipalayam (G)
28. Avalpoondurai
29. Muthur
30. Kanjikoil
31. Modakurichi
32. Pasur
33. Chennasamudram
34. Uthukuli
35. Nallampatti

36. Ariyappampalayam
37. Nerunjipettai
38. Athani
39. Vellotamparappu
40. Nasiyanur
41. Kollankoil
42. Rudravathi
43. Kembainaicken palayam
44. Olagadam
45. Ammapettai
46. Chinnakkampalayam
47. Kilampadi
48. Arachalur
49. Vadugapatti
50. Pethampalayam
51. Elathur
52. Unjalur

KANCHEEPURAM DISTRICT

1. Uthiramerur
2. Thirukalikundram
3. Kundrathur
4. Nandambakkam
5. Perungalathur
6. Walajabad
7. Chitlapakkam

8. Sriperumpudur
9. Nandivaram-Guduvancheri
10. Puzhithivakkam
11. Sholinganallur
12. Mangadu
13. Thiruporur
14. Karunguzhi
15. Thiruneermalai
16. Sembakkam
17. Acharapakkam
18. Sevilimedu
19. Madambakkam
20. Perungudi
21. Edakalinadu
22. Peerkankaranai
23. Pallikaranai
24. Meenambakkam

KANNIYAKUMARI DISTRICT

1. Agastheeswaram
2. Alur
3. Anjugramam
4. Aralvaimozhi
5. Arumanai
6. Acharipallam
7. Athur

8. Alagappapuram
9. Azhigiapandiapuram
10. Boothapandi
11. Edaikodu
12. Eraniel
13. Ezhudesam
14. Ganapathipuram
15. Kadayal
16. Kaliyakkavilai
17. Kallukuttam
18. Kappiyarai
19. Karungal
20. Kilkulam
21. Killiyur
22. Kothainallur
23. Kottaram
24. Kulasekarapuram
25. Kumarapuram
26. Manavalakurichi
27. Mandaikadu
28. Marungur
29. Myladi
30. Mulagumudu
31. Nallur
32. Neiyyur

33. Pacode
34. Balapallam
35. Pazhugal
36. Ponmanai
37. Pudukadai
38. Puthalam
39. Reethapuram
40. Suchindram
41. Thalakudi
42. Thengampudur
43. Thenthamaraikulam
44. Therur
45. Thingalnagar
46. Thiruparappu
47. Thiruvattaru
48. Thiruvithankodu
49. Unnamalaikadi
50. Valvathakoshtam
51. Vellimalai
52. Verkilambi
53. Velavur
54. Villukuri

KARUR DISTRICT

1. Pallapatti
2. Punjaipugalur

3. Puliur
4. Aravakurichi
5. Nangavaram
6. Uppidamangalam
7. P Thottakurichi
8. Marudur
9. Old Jeyankondacholapuram
10. Krishnarayapuram

KRISHNAGIRI DISTRICT

1. Kaveripattinam
2. Denkanikottai
3. Uthangarai
4. Bargur
5. Mathigiri
6. Kelamangalam
7. Nagojanahalli

MADURAI DISTRICT

1. Thirunagar
2. Vadipatti
3. Paravai
4. Sholavandan
5. Alanganallur
6. Vilangudi
7. Peraiyur
8. T Kallupatti

9. A Vellalapatti

10. Palamedu

11. Elumalai

NAGAPATTINAM DISTRICT

1. Kuthalam

2. Tharangampadi

3. Manalmedu

4. Vaitheeswarankoil

5. Keevalur

6. Thittacheri

7. Thalainayar

NAMAKKAL DISTRICT

1. Velur

2. Alampalayam

3. Namagiripettai

4. Mohanur

5. Pothanur

6. Padaiveedu

7. Mallasamudram

8. Paramathi

9. Pandamangalam

10. Senthamangalam

11. Venkarai

12. Seerapalli

13. Pattinam

14. Vennanthur
15. Athanur
16. Kalappanaickenpatti
17. Pillanallur
18. Erumaipatti
19. R Pudupatti

THE NILGIRIS DISTRICT

1. Kothagiri
2. Huligal
3. Naduvattam
4. Devarshola
5. Kethi
6. Jagathala
7. Kilkunda
8. Adikaratti
9. Bikketti
10. Sholur
11. O' Valley

PERAMBALUR DISTRICT

1. Ariyalaur
2. Udayarpalayam
3. Varadharajapettai
4. Perambalur
5. Lebbaikudikadu
6. Kurumbalur

7. Arumbavur

8. Poolambadi

PUDUKOTTAI DISTRICT

1. Ponnamaravathi

2. Alangudi

3. Karambakkudi

4. Keeranur

5. Iluppur

6. Arimalam

7. Keeramangalam

8. Annavasal

RAMANATHAPURAM DISTRICT

1. Kamuthi

2. Mudukulathur

3. Abiramam

4. Thondi

5. R.S.Mangalam

6. Mandapam

7. Sayalgudi

SALEM DISTRICT

1. Jalakandapuram

2. Omalur

3. Sankagiri

4. Tharamangalam

5. Thammampatti

6. Veerakkalpudur
7. Ayothiapattinam
8. Mecheri
9. P.N.Patti
10. Vazhapadi
11. Kolathur
12. Pethanaickenpalayam
13. Konganapuram
14. Kannankurichi
15. Attayampatti
16. Edanganasalai
17. Thevur
18. Ilampillai
19. Mallur
20. Ethapur
21. Gengavalli
22. Sentharpatti
23. Karuppur
24. Panaimarathupatti
25. Belur
26. Keeripatti
27. Thadavur
28. Veeraganur
29. Kadayampatti
30. Vanavasi

31. Nangavalli

32. Poolampatti

33. Arasiramani

SIVAGANGA DISTRICT

1. Manamadurai

2. Thirupathur

3. Singampunari

4. Thirupuvanam

5. Ilayankudi

6. Nattarasankottai

7. Pallathur

8. Kandamur

9. Kottaiyur

10. Kanadukathan

11. Puduvayal

12. Nerkuppai

THANJAVUR DISTRICT

1. Thiruvaiyaru

2. Ayyampettai

3. Peravoorani

4. Orathanadu

5. Adiramapattinam

6. Papanasam

7. Ammapettai

8. Madukkur

9. Thirukattupalli
10. Vallam
11. Aduthurai
12. Thiruvudaimaruthur
13. Dharasuram
14. Melattur
15. Thirupuvanam
16. Thiruppananthai
17. Swamimalai
18. Thirunageswaram
19. Cholaपुरam
20. Veppathur
21. Perumagalur
22. Melathiruppanthuruthi

THENI DISTRICT

1. Uthamapalayam
2. Andipatti
3. Thevaram
4. Kombai
5. Pudupatti
6. Kamayagoundanpatti
7. Veerapandi
8. Palanichettipatti
9. Vadugapatti
10. Thenkarai

11. Thamaraikulam
12. Devadanapatti
13. Sunguvarpatti
14. Pannaipuram
15. Hanumanthampatti
16. Odaipatti
17. Kuchanur
18. Boodhipuram
19. B Meenakshipuram
20. Markayankottai
21. Melachokkanathapuram

THOOTHUKUDI DISTRICT

1. Thiruchendur
2. Srivaikuntam
3. Sathankulam
4. Arumuganeri
5. Nazerath
6. Udangudi
7. Kalugumalai
8. Vilathikulam
9. Ettayapuram
10. Eral
11. Sayarpuram
12. Athur
13. Alwarthirunagari

14. Kayatharu

15. Kadambur

16. V Pudur

17. Perungulam

18. Kanam

19. Thenthiruperai

THIRUVANNAMALAI DISTRICT

1. Polur

2. Chengam

3. Chetpet

4. Kalambur

5. Kilpennathur

6. Vettavalam

7. Kannamangalam

8. Desur

9. Peranamallur

10. Pudupalayam

THIRUVARUR DISTRICT

1. Kodavasal

2. Nannilam

3. Muthupet

4. Valangaiman

5. Koradacheri

6. Peralam

7. Needamangalam

TIRUCHIRAPALLI DISTRICT

1. Lalgudi
2. Manachanallur
3. Kallakudi
4. Sirugamani
5. Thuvakudi
6. Kattuputhur
7. Musiri
8. Thottiyam
9. Mettupalayam
10. Thathaiyangarpet
11. Uppiliapuram
12. Balakrishnanpatti
13. Puvalur
14. Pullampadi
15. Ponnampatti
16. Thiruverumbur
17. Koothappar
18. S.Kannanur

TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT

1. Sankarnagar
2. Vadakkuvalliyur
3. Veeravanallur
4. Kallidaikurichi
5. Surandai

6. Cheranmadevi
7. Panagudi
8. Thisayanvilai
9. Kalakkadu
10. Mukkudal
11. Keezhapavur
12. Sivagiri
13. Naranammalpuram
14. Alangulam
15. Eruvadi
16. Moolakaraipatti
17. Melacheval
18. Pathamadaï
19. Nanguneri
20. Pudur (S)
21. Vadakarai Keezhpidagai
22. Ayagudi
23. Sambavarvadagarai
24. Vasudevanallur
25. Rayagiri
26. Alwarkurichi
27. Gopalamudram
28. Ilanji
29. Achanpudur
30. Melagaram

31. Thirukurungudi
32. Sundarapandiapuram
33. Panboli
34. Thiruvenkadam

TIRUVALLUR DISTRICT

1. Manali
2. Porur
3. Minjur
4. Ponneri
5. Naravarikuppam
6. Puzhal
7. Chinnasekkadu
8. Thirunindravur
9. Uthukottai
10. Arani
11. Thirumazhisai
12. Pothatturpettai
13. Gummidipoondi
14. Pallipattu

VELLORE DISTRICT

1. Sholingar
2. Gandhinagar
3. Allapuram
4. Kaveripakkam
5. Timiri

6. Kalinjur
7. Shembakkam
8. Pallikonda
9. Alangayam
10. Kalavai
11. Thorapadi
12. Katpadi
13. Nemili
14. Natrampalli
15. Thakkolam
16. Panapakkam
17. Ammoor
18. Odugathur
19. Uthayendram
20. Pennathur
21. Thiruvalam
22. Vilampakkam

VILLUPURAM DISTRICT

1. Tirukoilur
2. Chinnasalem
3. Thiagadurgam
4. Ulundurpet
5. Gingee
6. Valavanur
7. Sankarapuram

8. Vikravandi
9. Kottakuppam
10. Vadakkanandal
11. Thiruvennainallur
12. Marakkanam
13. Arakandanallur
14. Manalurpet
15. Ananthapuram

VIRUDHUNAGAR DISTRICT

1. Vathirairuppu
2. Seithur
3. Mamsapuram
4. Sundarapandiam
5. Kariapatti
6. Chettiarpatti
7. Pudupatti
8. S Kodikulam
9. Mallankinaru

L.N.VIJAYARAGHAVAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

NOTIFICATION -II.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (ii) of clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 3-B read with section 373 of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby cancels the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department Notification No.II (2)/MW/1929 (e-4)/94, dated the 31st May 1994, published at pages 30 to 31 of Part II - Section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated the 31st May 1994, in so far as it

relates to the following town panchayats, with effect on and from the 14th day of June, 2004, in order to constitute the said town panchayats as village panchayats under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994):-

KANCHEEPURAM DISTRICT

1.Mamallapuram

CUDDALORE DISTRICT

2.Annamalainagar

COIMBATORE DISTRICT

3.Madukarai

KARUR DISTRICT

4.Tamil Nadu Paper Mills,Pugalur

MADURAI DISTRICT

5.R.V.Patti

THENI DISTRICT

6.Hywarris

TIRUNELVELI DISTRICT

7.Manimutharu

KANNIYAKUMARI DISTRICT

8.Kanniyakumari

NAGAPATTINAM DISTRICT

9.Velankanni

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NOTIFICATION-III.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (ii) of clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 3-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby cancels the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department Notification No.II (2)/MW/1617 (a-2)/97, dated the 13th August 1997, published at page 1 of Part II - Section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the 13th August 1997, in so far as it relates to the Courtallam town panchayat in Tirunelveli District, with effect on and from the 14th day of June, 2004, in order to constitute it the said town panchayat as a village panchayat under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994).

L.N.VIJAYARAGHAVAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

NOTIFICATION-IV.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-clause (ii) of clause (c) of sub-section (3) of section 3-B of the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920 (Tamil Nadu Act V of 1920), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby cancels the Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department Notification No.II (2)/MW/1617 (a-4)/97, dated the 13th August 1997, published at page 2 of Part II - Section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, Extraordinary, dated the 13th August 1997, in so far as it relates to the Bhavanisagar town panchayat in Erode District, with effect on and from the 14th day of June, 2004, in order to constitute, the said town panchayat as a village panchayat under the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994).

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