



ABSTRACT

Forests – Green Tamil Nadu Mission – Setting up of administrative unit – Appointment of the Chief Mission Director, Mission Director and Additional Mission Director with supporting staff for Green Tamil Nadu Mission – Orders – Issued.

Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.6) Department

G.O.(D).No.33

Dated 15.02.2022

பிலவ, மாசி-3,

திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு - 2053

Read:

1. Government Order (2D) No.10, Environment and Forests (FR.Spl.A) Department, dated 28.2.2019.
2. Government Order (Ms) No.126, Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.6) Department, dated 09.12.2021.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Finance Minister, while presenting the Revised Budget for 2021-2022, made an Announcement on the floor of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 13.08.2021 that "under the leadership of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, this Government will launch the Green Tamil Nadu Mission with the objective to increase the Forest and Tree Cover in the State from present 23.8% to 33% of the geographical area of the State by the year 2030-2031 as per the Vision of the Government of Tamil Nadu".

2. The Green Tamil Nadu Mission is one of the flagship schemes of the Government of Tamil Nadu. It assumes greater significance in view of the vision of the present Government, to increase the forest and tree cover from 23.8% to 33% of the geographical area of Tamil Nadu in a period of 10 years. Accordingly, in the Government Order second read above, the Government have accorded administrative and financial sanction for Rs.21.00 crore (Rupees Twenty-one crore only) for raising and planting of 47 lakhs seedlings in the current financial year (2021-2022) under Green Tamil Nadu Mission. The Government have also accorded administrative and financial sanction for Rs.17.80 crore (Rupees Seventeen crore and Eighty lakhs only) for raising nursery of 130 lakhs seedlings for planting during next financial year (2022 - 2023).

3. In order to achieve the objectives of this mission, the Government have decided the following:-

- (i) The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (HoD) will act as ex-officio Chief Mission Director of Green Tamil Nadu Mission.
- (ii) The post of Mission Director, Green Tamil Nadu Mission is created by reviving and re-designating the post of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Central Region), Salem, which was kept in abeyance in the Government Order first read

above, into Mission Director, in the rank of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests.

- (iii) One Additional Director, Green Tamil Nadu Mission post is also created by re-designating the post of Deputy Conservator of Forests (Forest Extension and Publicity) in the Office of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Department).

4. The Government also direct to attach the Forest Extension Wing of Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Social Forestry and Forest Extension) with required supporting field staff, i.e., Forest Extension Centers and Forest Extension Officers to Mission Director, Green Tamil Nadu Mission, for facilitating the impactful implementation of the Green Tamil Nadu Mission. The Forest Extension Officers shall report to the Chief Mission Director through the Mission Director and the Additional Mission Director, in respect of Green Tamil Nadu Mission activities. The Chief Mission Director shall report to the Government the progress made in the Mission at regular intervals.

5. The Mission Director of the Green Tamil Nadu Mission under the leadership of the Chief Mission Director of the Green Tamil Nadu Mission shall supervise and monitor raising quality, planting stock and taking up the planting of seedlings at various locations adopting the Multi sectoral partnerships for achieving the desired objectives of the Mission. He shall also co-ordinate with the Stake holders like Government Departments, Farmers, Joint Forest Management Committees, Self help Women Groups, Private Institutions, Academia, Schools and Colleges, Media houses, etc.

6. The Additional Mission Director shall assist the Chief Mission Director and Mission Director of the Green Tamil Nadu Mission.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.406/FS/P/2022, dated 01.02.2022 and the concurrence of Tamil Nadu State Election Commission vide its Letter Rc.No.0756/2022/EE1/MCC-75, dated 11.02.2022.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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