



**ABSTRACT**



Disaster Management - Grant of Financial assistance - Inclusion of disasters such as Sea Erosion, Lightning, Thunder, Whirlwind, Gale Wind - Victims eligible for relief Assistance under State Disaster Response Fund - Orders - Issued.

**Revenue and Disaster Management Department, Disaster Management Wing, DM3(2) Section**

**G.O (Ms) No.246**

**Dated: 03.08.2017**

ஹேவிளம்பி, ஆடி 18,  
திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2048

**Read:**

1. G.O.(Ms) No.380, Revenue [DM 3(2)] Department, dated 27.10.2015.
2. From the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Chennai letter No.NC.I(2)/1002/2015, dated 18.07.2016.
3. Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Revenue, on the floor of the Legislative Assembly on 10.07.2017.

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**ORDER:**

The Hon'ble Minister for Revenue made the following announcement on the floor of the Legislative Assembly on 10.07.2017 as follows:-

2. இயற்கை சீற்றங்களுக்கு நிவாரணம் வழங்கப்படும் பிரிவுகளை நீட்டித்தல்.

"இயற்கைச் சீற்றங்களான புயல், வெள்ளம், வறட்சி, நிலநடுக்கம், தீ, சுனாமி மற்றும் ஆலங்கட்டி மழை ஆகியவற்றால் உயிரிழந்தவர்களின் குடும்பங்களுக்கு மாநில பேரிடர் நிவாரண நிதியிலிருந்து வழங்கப்பட்டு வரும் நிவாரண உதவிகளை நீட்டித்து கடல் அரிப்பு, இடி, மின்னல், சுழற்காற்று மற்றும் சூறைக்காற்று ஆகியவற்றினால் ஏற்படும் உயிரிழப்புகளுக்கும் இனிவரும் காலங்களில் மாநில பேரிடர் நிவாரண நிதியிலிருந்து நிவாரணம் வழங்கப்படும்."

2. The Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs in their Office Memorandum dated 20.03.2015 have referred the recommendations of the 14th Finance Commission regarding Disaster Management and apprised the following decisions of the Government of India:

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*The Expenditure for providing immediate relief to the victims of State - specific disasters within the local context in the State, which are not included in the Government of India notified list of disasters eligible for assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF), can be met from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) within the limit of 10 percent of the funds available under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). However, this flexibility would be applicable only after the State has formally listed the disasters for inclusion and notified transparent norms and guidelines with a clear procedure for identification of the beneficiaries for disaster relief for such local disasters with the approval of the State Executive Committee to ensure that individual beneficiary oriented assistance is necessarily disbursed through the bank account of the beneficiary.*

*The scale of relief assistance against each item for such local disaster should not exceed the norms of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF). Any amount spent by the State for such disasters over and above the ceiling would be borne out of its own resources and would be subject to the same accounting norms.*

3. The allocation approved by the Government of India towards State Disaster Response Fund from 2015-2016 to 2019-2020 is as follows:

Year	Centre's Contribution (Rs. in Crores)	State's Contribution (Rs. in Crores)	Total (Rs. in Crores)
2015-2016	509.25	169.75	679.00
2016-2017	534.75	178.25	713.00
2017-2018	561.00	187.00	748.00
2018-2019	589.50	196.50	786.00
2019-2020	618.75	206.25	825.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2813.25</b>	<b>937.75</b>	<b>3751.00</b>

4. In the Government order first read above, orders have been issued by the Government of Tamil Nadu, revising the norms for sanction of relief assistance to the victims of Natural Calamities namely Cyclone, Flood, Drought, Earth Quake, Fire, Tsunami and hailstorm from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)/National Disaster Response Fund (NDRF) based on the norms of assistance communicated by the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs in their letter dated 08.04.2015. In the above Government Order, it has also been ordered therein to adopt the norms of Government of India or the existing norms of the State Government whichever is more beneficial.

5. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration in his proposal second read above has stated that the procedure currently followed for identification of beneficiaries of natural disasters may be adopted for identification of beneficiaries of area specific disasters also and hence recommended to include Sea

Erosion, Lightning, Thunder, Whirlwind, Gale Wind as area specific disasters and to sanction relief assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF).

6. Based on the announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Revenue on the floor of the Legislative Assembly on 10.07.2017 and based on the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration, the matter was placed before the State Executive Committee and the State Executive Committee has approved the same.

7. The Government hereby orders the inclusion of area specific disasters such as Sea Erosion, Lightning, Thunder, Whirlwind, Gale Wind in the list of items which are eligible for relief under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF). The Government also accepts the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration with regard to the guidelines to be followed for sanction of relief as below:-

(1) LIST OF ITEMS AND NORMS OF ASSISTANCE.

Category	Relief Proposed	Guidelines to be followed for sanction of relief
<b>GRATITIOUS RELIEF</b>		
(a) <b>Ex-gratia payment to families of deceased persons</b>	Rs.4.00 lakh per deceased person.	A Certificate of cause of death shall be issued by an appropriate authority certifying that the death has occurred due to the disaster as applicable.  In the case of Government employee / relief worker who loses his / her life, while engaged in rescue and relief operations, during disasters or during preparedness activities like mock drills, etc., his family would be paid this relief.
(b) <b>Ex-gratia payment for loss of a limb or eyes</b>	(i) Rs.59,100/- per person (when the disability is between 40% and 60% duly certified by a Government doctor or doctor from a panel approved by the Government)	A Certificate shall be issued by a Government Doctor or a Doctor from a panel approved by the Government certifying the cause for the disability and percentage of his disability.  The Tahsildar concerned shall conduct a local enquiry and submit his report as to the occurrence of the disaster and the cause for the disability.

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	(ii) Rs.2.00 lakh per person (when the disability is more than 60% duly certified by a Government doctor or doctor from a panel approved by the Government)	Proposals for sanction of Relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner along with the Enquiry Report of the Tahsildar concerned seeking sanction of relief.
<b>(c) Grievous injury requiring hospitalization</b>	(i) Rs.12,700/- per person (grievous injury requiring hospitalization for more than a week) (ii) Rs.4,300/- per person (grievous injury requiring hospitalization less than a week)	A Certificate shall be issued from the Hospital concerned certifying the cause for his injury and his period of treatment in the hospital.  The Tahsildar concerned shall conduct a local enquiry and submit his report as to the occurrence of the disaster and the cause for the disability.  Proposals for sanction of Relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner along with the Enquiry Report of the Tahsildar concerned seeking sanction of relief.
<b>(d) Clothing and utensils/ household goods for families whose huts have been fully damaged</b>	Rs.1800/- for loss of clothing per family Rs.2000/- per family for loss of utensils / household goods	As per the guidelines of State Disaster Response Fund.
<b>(e) Damage to huts</b>	Rs.4,100/-per partially damaged hut Rs.5,000/- per fully damaged hut (in addition 10 kg of rice, one dhoti, one saree, 1 litre of kerosene is granted as assistance free of cost for affected families )	As per the guidelines of State Disaster Response Fund.

**AGRICULTURE**

<p><b>(a) De-silting of agricultural land damaged due to Sea Erosion</b></p>	<p>Rs.12,200/- per hectare where thickness of sand / silt deposit is more than 3 inches.</p>	<p>Joint Inspection to be done by the Revenue and Agriculture / Horticulture Authorities. Lands Damaged should to be certified by the above Team.</p> <p>Proposal should comprise of the enquiry report of the Tahsildar concerned. Proposals for sanction of relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner.</p>
<p><b>(b) (i) De-silting / Restoration / Repair of fish farms damaged by Sea Erosion</b></p>	<p>Rs.12,200/- per hectare (Subject to the condition that no other assistance / subsidy has been availed of by/ is eligible to the beneficiary under any other Government Scheme)</p>	<p>Joint Inspection to be done by the Revenue and Fisheries / Agriculture Authorities. Lands Damaged due to Sea Erosion should to be certified by the above team.</p> <p>Proposal should comprise of the enquiry report of the Tahsildar concerned.</p> <p>Proposals for sanction of relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner.</p>
<p><b>(ii) Input subsidy to farmers of agriculture, horticulture crops and annual plantation crops where crop loss is 33% and above</b></p>	<p>Rs.7410/- per hectare in rainfed areas and restricted to sown areas. Rs.13,500/-in assured irrigated areas (crops including paddy) subject to a minimum assistance not less than Rs.1000/-and restricted to sown areas. Rs.18,000/- for all types of perennial crops subject to minimum assistance not less than Rs.2000/ and restricted to sown areas.</p>	<p>Joint Inspection to be done by the Revenue and Agriculture / Horticulture Authorities.</p> <p>Crops damaged should be certified by the above Team.</p> <p>Proposal should comprise of the enquiry report of the Tahsildar concerned.</p> <p>Proposals for sanction of relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner.</p>

<b>(iii) Assistance to Sericulture.</b>	Rs.7,410/- per hectare	<p>Joint Inspection to be done by the Revenue and Agriculture / Horticulture Authorities. Damage due to Sea Erosion should be certified by the competent authority of the State Government.</p> <p>Proposal should comprise of the enquiry report of the Tahsildar concerned.</p> <p>Proposals for sanction of relief need to be sent to Government through State Relief Commissioner.</p>
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(2) The Financial assistance shall be disbursed to the affected family through the bank account of the beneficiary.

(3) The sanction of relief is subject to the norms of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) as revised from time to time.

(4) It will be the responsibility of the Office of the State Relief Commissioner and Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration to maintain the ceiling (10% of available balance in SDRF) while sending proposals to Government for sanction of relief and to maintain separate set of accounts for identifying the amount sanctioned for these relief measures.

(5) In the event of any payment in excess of amount prescribed by Government of India, the same shall be booked in the consolidated fund of the State. For such excess payment, office of the Commissioner of Revenue Administration shall maintain separate set of Accounts.

(6) While implementing the above procedure, the office of the State Relief Commissioner and Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration shall maintain the accounts and the State Relief Commissioner and Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration shall verify the accounts for the

expenditure statement to be furnished to Government of India for sanction of funds under State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF).

8. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.38467/Finance (Revenue)/2017, Dated 03.08.2017.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**CHANDRA MOHAN.B.,  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

**To**

- The Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Ezhilagam, Chepauk, Chennai - 600 005.
- The Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi - 110 001.
- The Commissioner of Agriculture Department, Chennai - 600 005.
- The Commissioner of Horticulture Department, Chennai - 600 005.
- The Director of Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Sciences, Teynampet, Chennai- 600 006.
- The Commissioner of Fisheries, Chennai - 600 006.
- The Director of Public Health & Preventive Medicine, Kilpauk, Chennai - 600 006.
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- The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Chennai - 600 015.

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