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Abstract

Welfare Scheme - Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011 - Fixing time limit for submitting claim applications for various assistances under Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011- Orders issued.

Revenue [LR. I (2)] Department

G.O.(Ms) No.333

Dated 05.08.2014

Read:-

1. G.O.(Ms) No.265, Revenue [LR. I (2)] Department, dated 10.09.2011.
2. From the Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Land Reforms Ref.No.J1/6601/2012 (L.Ref), dated 10.08.2012.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, the "Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011" was implemented in lieu of the Tamil Nadu Agricultural Labourers - Farmers (Social Security and Welfare) Scheme, 2006. The following financial assistances are given under the Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011 scheme:-

1. Educational assistance
2. Marriage assistance for members and Children of the members
3. Old Age Pension
4. Accident Relief
5. Natural death assistance
6. Funeral expenses.

2. As per the original provisions contained under the erstwhile Tamil Nadu Agriculture Labourer- Farmers (Social Security and Welfare) Scheme 2006, time limit was fixed to submit the claim applications as detailed below:-

Sl.No. (1)	Name of Assistance (2)	Details (3)	Time limit (4)
1)	Education	Claim application in Form VIII	Within 6 months
2)	Marriage	Claim application in Form IX	Not fixed

3)	Natural Death/ Funeral	Claim application in Form VII	Within 6 months
4)	Accident Death/ injury	Accident intimation in Form V	Within one month from the date of incident
		Claim application in Form VI	Within 6 months
5	Old Age Pension	Claim application in Form XI	Not fixed

In respect of accident cases, immediately upon the occurrence of any accident resulting in loss of hands or legs or sight or limbs or death, the registered member or his nominee as the case may be, shall send a report to the Special Tahsildar (Social Security Scheme) and to the Police in Form No. V within **three days** of such occurrence of the accident and that the time limit of three days was then extended to **one month** with effect from 10.9.2008 as per amendment issued in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette, dated 10.9.2008. Some of the applicants had sent the report in Form No. V belatedly due to the lack of awareness of the above said time limit, innocence, inability due to the accident, etc., and that such claims of accident relief had been rejected by the Special Tahsildars (Social Security Scheme) and that the affected family could not avail the benefit under the scheme and that some of these affected persons got orders in their favour through the High Court and based on the orders of the Hon'ble Court, the Government orders were issued.

3. Now, the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Land Reforms in the reference second read above has stated that in G.O. (Ms) No. 265, Revenue [LR. I (2)] Department, dated 10.09.2011, no forms have been prescribed for claiming financial assistance under the Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011 and that no time limit has been prescribed for submission of claim applications, and that due to this, the applicant may submit his claim application even after 2 years or more from occurrence and that this can cause duplication of claim and delay in availing assistance by the beneficiaries and hence it is found necessary to fix sufficient time limit to submit for claiming the various assistances under the Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam, 2011.

4. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Land Reforms has further stated that the officers from the level of Revenue Divisional Officer to the District Collector may be authorized to sanction the claims beyond the above said time limit after taking into account the sufficient reasons putforth by the applicant for the cause of delay.

5. After careful examination, the Government accept the recommendation of the Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Land Reforms and hereby fix the following **time limit** for claiming the various assistances under Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam.

Table - I: Time limit fixed for claiming various assistances under Chief Minister's Uzhavar Pathukappu Thittam.

Sl.No. (1)	Name of Assistance (2)	Time limit for submitting claim application to VAO / RI / Taluk Office (3)
1.	Education	Within 6 months of commencement of that academic year.
2.	Marriage	Within 3 months before the date of marriage or 6 months after the date of marriage.
3.	Natural Death and Funeral	Within 6 months from the date of death.
4.	Accident Death and Funeral / Accidental Injury	Within 6 months from the date of incident *
5.	Old Age Pension / Destitute Agricultural Labourers Pension	Not necessary.

* No time limit for Accident Report to Special Tahsildar (Social Security Scheme) and Police Station is additionally or separately set.

Further, the Government hereby authorise the following officers to sanction the belated claims as specified below after taking into account the sufficient reasons put forth by the applicant for the cause of delay:-

Table - II : Powers of officers to sanction the belated claims.

Sl.No. (1)	Designation of the officer (2)	Time limit for sanction of belated claims** (3)
1.	Revenue Divisional Officer	Upto 3 months
2.	District Revenue Officer	Beyond 3 months and upto 6 months
3.	District Collector	Beyond 6 months and upto 1 year.

** All time limits shown below are to be applied only when the claim has become belated with reference to the limits of Table 1.

As an illustrations, the effective time limit for a Natural Death case is as follows:

Upto Tahsildar level : 6 (six) months (from date of death)
Revenue Divisional Officer : 6 (six) months plus to 9 (nine) months
District Revenue Officer : 9 (nine) months plus to 1(one) year
Collector : 1 (one) year plus to 1(one) year 6(six) months.

6. The Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Land Reforms is requested to give necessary instructions in this regard to the authorities concerned for further streamlining of the implementation of the Scheme as ordered at paragraph 5 above.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Secretary to Government

To

The Additional Chief Secretary / Commissioner of Revenue Administration,
Chepauk, Chennai-5.

The Principal Secretary and Commissioner of Land Reforms,
Chepauk, Chennai-5.

All District Collectors,

All District Treasury officers,

The Pay and Accounts Officer (East), Chennai-8.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18/35.

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The Finance (BG-II / Rev) Department, Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Secretary to Government,
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