ABSTRACT

Schemes – Centrally Sponsored Scheme - Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) – Support activities – Relaxation for purchase of new computers and accessories to the State Project Management Unit (SPMU), Jal Jeevan Mission, District Project Management Unit (DPMU) of 36 Districts of Jal Jeevan Mission and Monitoring unit of Jal Jeevan Mission in the Office of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj – Permission – Accorded – Orders – Issued.

Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS.2) Department

G.O.(Ms.) No.9 **Dated:20.1.2021**
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Read :

1. G.O.(Ms) No.75, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS-I) Department, dated 24.03.2020.
2. G.O.(Ms) No.90, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS-I) Department, dated 22.04.2020.
3. G.O.(Ms) No.249, Finance(Budget General.I) Department, dated 21.05.2020.
4. G.O.(Ms) No.111, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (CGS-I) Department, dated 16.06.2020.
5. From the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board and Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission, Chennai, Letter No.2205/F.support activities/JJM-13/2020, dated: 7.11.2020.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Prime Minister of India launched the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) on 15.08.2019. The main objective of the Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) is to provide potable water on a regular and long term basis in adequate quantity (55 lpcd) of prescribed quality to every Household in rural areas. In order to achieve the goal of providing Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) to every household in Tamil Nadu by March 2024 and to shoulder the responsibility in the State and the District level, State Project Management Unit (SPMU), Jal Jeevan Mission, Chennai and District Project Management Unit (DPMU) have been constituted in the Government Orders first and second above respectively. Moreover, a separate Monitoring Unit of JJM has been established with the existing staff in the office of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj to monitor the execution of works under Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM) activities in the districts.

2. In the letter fifth read above, the Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board (TWAD Board) and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission, has stated that the State Project Management Unit (SPMU) is functioning in the TWAD House, Chepauk, Chennai from 24.03.2020 with the officials deputed from various departments such as TWAD Board, Office of the DRD&PR under the leadership of Mission Director, JJM. The State Project Management Unit (SPMU) co-ordinates with TWAD Board and the Directorate of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj for implementing JJM activities in Tamil Nadu. The District Project Management Unit (DPMU) at each District Water and Sanitation Mission (DWSM) in 36 districts is functioning from April 2020 with the officials deputed from Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department with various functions such as revalidation of baseline data in Government of India Jal Jeevan Mission web portal, preparation of District Action Plan, issue of Administrative sanction, tendering and award of work, works progress monitoring, payment, Integrated Management Information System (IMIS) updation etc., as part of implementing JJM activities in Tamil Nadu. Further, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj Department being the Nodal Department, a separate Monitoring Unit of JJM has been established with the existing staff in the office of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj to monitor the execution of works under JJM activities in the districts. The total budget amount for implementation of JJM for the financial year 2020-21 including both Central and State share is Rs.2,438.34 crore. The approved amount includes the scheme cost, WQM&S activities and support activities in which the fund sharing pattern for support activities is 60:40. The amount proposed in the Annual Action Plan 2020-21 under the support activities for the year 2020-21 is Rs.75.00 crore as approved by the Apex committee of Jal Jeevan Mission headed by the Chief Secretary to Government.

3. The Managing Director, TWAD Board and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission, has further stated that the support activities funds is available for providing IEC activities, HRD, training, development of utilities, water quality laboratories, water quality testing & surveillance, R&D, knowledge centre, capacity building of communities, mobilization of local communities, Third party inspection, Change Management, Documentation of best practices, success stories, publication, Conducting conferences, seminars, workshop, review meetings, exposure visit on JJM, IMIS support and related IT infrastructure. Hence, computers and accessories for the above said three new units have to be procured under the support activities fund and the necessary proposal was placed before the 3rd Executive Committee of Jal Jeevan Mission in which the Special Secretary, Finance, DRD&PR, Director, School Education, Director, Public Health & Preventive Medicine are the Members. The Executive Committee in its resolution has cleared the proposal for purchasing new computers and accessories for the above three new units as below:-

Sl. No.	Procurement of computers for	Approved amount (Rs. in lakh)
1.	State Project Management Unit, JJM, Chennai	113.92
2.	District Project Management Unit, DWSM, JJM in 36 districts	64.44
3.	Monitoring Unit, JJM in the office of the DRD & PR	5.85

4. The Managing Director, TWAD Board and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission, has further stated that since the State Project Management Unit, District Project Management Unit and Monitoring unit of JJM in the office of the DRD & PR are the new units and all the activities of JJM has to be carried out by online at various levels, payment process through PFMS by online, daily entry of physical and financial progress in IMIS portal of Government of India then and there, procurement of new computers and its accessories are vital and moreover since the JJM is the flagship programme of the Government of India, regular updates has to be done in JJM & IMIS of portal of e-jalsakthi website through online, updation of physical and financial progress has to be made at both district and State level through online and payment has to be processed only through PFMS, new computers and its accessories has to be procured under the support activities fund. Further, as per JJM guidelines, support activities are funded in 60:40 ratio (Central:State), 60% of the amount will be borne by the Government of India and 40% is to be borne by Government of Tamil Nadu.

5. The Managing Director, TWAD Board and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission has also stated that in the Government Order third read above, among other things, orders have been issued to the effect that under "376 Computer and Accessories – 01 Purchase: Purchase of new computers and accessories will not be allowed, except for replacement of very old and dysfunctional system. As such, the Managing Director, TWAD Board and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission, has requested the Government to accord permission for purchase of new computer and accessories to the State Project Management Unit (SPMU), Jal Jeevan Mission, District Project Management Unit of 36 Districts, and the Monitoring unit of JJM in the office of the DRD&PR, by considering as special case, since Jal Jeevan Mission is the flagship programme of the Government of India in lieu of the conditions laid in the Government Order third read above.

6. The Government after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Managing Director, TWAD Board and the Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission, Jal Jeevan Mission. Accordingly, the Government accord permission for purchase of new computers and its accessories to the State Project Management Unit (SPMU), Jal Jeevan Mission, District Project Management Unit of 36 Districts and the Monitoring Unit of Jal Jeevan Mission in the office of the Director of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, as a special case, relaxing the condition under the caption "376 Computer and Accessories–01 Purchase", laid down in the Government Order third read above, under Support Activities Component of Jal Jeevan Mission, duly following the prescribed Guidelines of the Scheme and the expenditure in this regard shall be met from the funds already released under the Scheme.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance department vide its U.O.No.2058/RD/2021, dated:18.1.2021.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

HANS RAJ VERMA
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj,
Chennai-15.

The Mission Director, State Water and Sanitation Mission,
Jal Jeevan Mission & Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Chennai-5.
All District Collectors (thro' CRD&PR, Chennai-15).
All Project Directors, District Rural Development Agencies (through the Commissioner of Rural Development and Panchayat Raj, Chennai-15).

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