



ABSTRACT

Water Resources Department – Revision of monetary limit for Registration of Categories of Contractors based on the value of works – Fee for Application and Registration of Contractors in Water Resources Department – Orders issued.

Water Resources (I.Spl.1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No. 79

Dated:01.11.2023

**சோபகிருது வருடம், ஜப்பசி 15
திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2054.**

Read:

1. G.O. (Ms) No.1789, Public Works Department, dated: 29.12.1992.
2. G.O. (Ms) No.222, Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 08.04.1999.
3. G.O. (Ms) No.181 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 16.05.2003.
4. G.O. (Ms) No.221, Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 16.08.2018.
5. G.O. (Ms) No.159 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 11.11.2021.
6. G.O. (Ms) No. 195 Public Works (G2) Department, Dated 14.12.2021.
7. G.O. (Ms) No. 13 Public (Special - A) Department, Dated: 05.01.2022.
8. From the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai, Letter No. HDO / Sr. DO.I / Registration of Contractors / 2021, dated 12.01.2022, 21.09.2022 and 14.10.2022.

Order:

In the Government Order 1st read above orders were issued regarding the procedures for Registration of Contractors in Public Works Department / Highways Department.

2. In the Government Order 2nd read above, based on the recommendations of the High Level Committee, a committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Justice Thiru. G. Ramanujam to examine and recommend the procedural reforms and other measures for

eliminating and preventing corruption in administration, orders were issued among other things, revising the monetary limit for Categories of Registration of Contractors as follows:-

Class I	: above Rs.75 Lakh
Class II	: upto Rs.75 Lakh
Class III	: upto Rs.30 Lakh
Class IV	: Rs.15 Lakh
Class V	: Rs.6 Lakh

3. In the Government Order 3rd read above, orders were issued revising the existing rates for Non-Tax Revenue and introduction of new Non-Tax Revenue on certain new items pertaining to Public Works Department, wherein the application fees and registration fees were revised as follows:-

<u>A. Application fees</u>	
Class V (Jurisdiction within Division level)	Rs.1000 (Rupees one thousand only)
Class V, IV, III, II and I (Jurisdiction at Circle level)	Rs.1000 (Rupees one thousand only)
Class V, IV, III, II and I (Jurisdiction at State level)	Rs.5000 (Rupees five thousand only)
<u>B. Registration Fees</u>	
Class V (Jurisdiction within Division level)	Rs.10000 (Rupees ten thousand only)
Class V, IV, III, II and I (Jurisdiction at Circle level)	Rs.20000 (Rupees twenty thousand only)
Class V, IV, III, II and I (Jurisdiction at State level)	Rs.50000 (Rupees fifty thousand only)

4. In the Government Order 4th read above, the following orders were issued for Registration of Contractors as follows:

- (i) Registration of all the Contractors in all Classes I to V i.e., Division Level, Circle Level and State Level shall be done as a

Single Window System by the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and Chief Engineer (General), Public Works Department, Chennai.

- (ii) The applications received in the office of the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and Chief Engineer (General), Public Works Department, Chennai from the Contractors with payment of prescribed application fees shall be sent to the respective Division / Circle in which territory the Contractor intending to register for through scrutiny of the applications, as per the rules / orders in force for ensuring the eligibility of the Contractors for registration and for verifying the bonafide of the evidences produced by the applicants. After verifying that, the applications may be sent back to the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and Chief Engineer (General), Public Works Department, Chennai with the recommendation of the Superintending Engineer / Executive Engineer concerned.
- (iii) Hereafter, the application for the renewal of contract registration for every year should be submitted to the office of the Engineer-in-Chief, Water Resources Department and Chief Engineer (General), Public Works Department, Chennai, before the expiry date of renewal so as to keep the Contractor registration alive. The Contractor registration live certificate will be valid for one year only from the date of issue of renewal order.

5. In the Government Order 5th read above, orders were issued enhancing the powers of acceptance of tenders for Public Works Department and Water Resources Department as follows:-

A) Civil Works:-

S. No	Officers	Powers delegated in G.O. (Ms.) No.28 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 01.02.2012 as amended in G.O. (Ms.) No.281 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 12.12.2012.					
		Enhanced Delegation of Powers			Enhanced Delegation of Powers		
		Without Tender Excess	Upto 5% excess	Upto 5% excess	Without Tender Excess	Upto 5% excess	Upto 10% excess
1	Assistant Executive Engineer	Rs.1.00 Lakh	---	---	Upto Rs.2.00 Lakh	---	---

2	Executive Engineer	Rs.10.00 Lakh to Rs.30.00 Lakh	Rs.10.00 Lakh	---	Above Rs.20.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.50.00 Lakh	Upto Rs.20.00 Lakh	---
3	Superintending Engineer	Rs.30.00 Lakh to Rs.50.00 Lakh	Rs.10.00 Lakh to Rs.30.00 Lakh	Rs.10.00 Lakh	Above Rs.50.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.1.00 Crore	Rs.20.00 Lakh to Rs.50.00 Lakh	Upto Rs.20.00 Lakh
4	Chief Engineer	---	Rs.30.00 Lakh to Rs.1.00 Crore	Rs.10.00 Lakh to Rs.30.00 Lakh	---	Above Rs.50.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.2.00 Crore	Rs.20.00 Lakh to Rs.50.00 Lakh
5	Tender Award Committee	Above Rs.1.00 Crore full powers			Above Rs.2.00 Crore full powers		

B) Electrical Works:-

S. No.	Officers	Powers delegated in G.O. (Ms.) No.28 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 01.02.2012 as amended in G.O. (Ms.) No.281 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 12.12.2012.					
		Enhanced Delegation of Powers					
		Without Tender Excess	Upto 5% excess	Upto 5% excess	Without Tender Excess	Upto 5% excess	Upto 10% excess
1	Assistant Executive Engineer	Rs.50,000/-	---	---	Rs.1.00 Lakh	---	---
2	Electrical Engineer (Executive Engineer cadre)		Rs.5.00 Lakh	---	---	Above Rs.1.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.10.00 Lakh	---

3	Superintending Engineer (Electrical)	---	Rs.15.00 Lakh	---	Does not arise, Since this post has been re designated as Joint Chief Engineer (Electrical)		
4	Chief Engineer	---	Above Rs.5.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.1.00 Crore (as per G.O. (Ms) No.28 PW (G2) D dated: 24.01.2018)	Rs.10.00 Lakh to Rs.30.00 Lakh	-- -	Above Rs.10.00 Lakh & Upto Rs.2.00 Crore	---
5	Tender Award Committee	Above Rs.1.00 Crore full powers			Above Rs.2.00 Crore full powers		

6. In the Government Order 6th read above, orders were issued for Revision of the monetary limit for Categories of Registration of Contractors in Public Works Department at concerned Regional Chief Engineers office, and Renewal of live certificate in respect of Public Works Department as follows:-

Sl. No.	Class	Existing Monetary Limit (as per G.O.(Ms.)No. 222, Public Works Department, dated 8.4.1999)	Revised Monetary Limit
1.	Class I	above Rs.75 Lakh	above Rs.10 Crore
2.	Class II	upto Rs.75 Lakh	From Rs.5 Crore to Rs.10 Crore
3.	Class III	upto Rs.30 Lakh	From Rs.2 Crore to Rs.5 Crore
4.	Class IV	Rs.15 Lakh	From Rs.50 Lakh to Rs.2 Crore
5.	Class V	Rs.6 Lakh	Rs.50 Lakh

7. In the Government Order 7th read above, orders issued for the formation of New Department called Water Resources Department.

8. In the letter 8th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai has stated that, in the G.O. (Ms) No. 222, Public Works Department, dated 08.04.1999, orders were issued for revising the monetary limit for the categories of Registration of Contractors. As the G.O. was issued during the year 1999 and almost 22 years have been lapsed and also further, in G.O. (Ms) No.159 Public Works (G2) Department, dated: 11.11.2021, the powers for the acceptance of tenders for the Chief Engineers,

Superintending Engineers and Executive Engineers have been increased, it is quite essential to revise the monetary limit for the Categories of the Contractor and to revise the cost of fee now collected for Contractor registration process. Therefore the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai has submitted the following proposal and requested the Government to issue necessary orders:-

i) The monetary limit may be revised for Categories of registration of Contractors in Water Resources Department as follows:-

Sl. No.	Class	Revised Monetary Limit	Revised solvency Amount
1	Class IA	Above Rs 25.00 Crore	Rs. 2.50 Crore
2	Class I	Above Rs 10.00 Crore and up to Rs.25.00 Crore	Rs.1.50 Crore
3	Class II	Above Rs 5.00 Crore and up to Rs.10.00 Crore	Rs. 75.00 Lakh
4	Class III	Above Rs 2.00 Crore and up to Rs.5.00 Crore	Rs. 30.00 Lakh
5	Class IV	Above Rs 1.00 Crore and up to Rs.2.00 Crore	Rs. 15.00 Lakh
6	Class IV A	Above Rs 50.00 Lakh and up to Rs.1.00 Crore	Rs. 10.00 Lakh*
7	Class V	up to Rs. 50.00 Lakh	15 % of the value of Registration **

* In respect of Class- IV A Contractors, the amount of solvency certificate shall be fixed at Rs.10.00 Lakh instead of Rs7.50 Lakh.

** In respect of Class V Contractors, ie, up to Rs.50.00 Lakh, the solvency percentage proposed to be fixed at 15.00% of the value for which the Contractors submits application for Registration. For example, if a Contractor submits application for registration for a value of Rs20.00 Lakh under Class-V, the solvency percentage at 15% of that value works out to Rs3.00 Lakh.

(ii) The new Contractor registration and renewal of live certificate of Contractor shall be continued as per the orders of the Government at para (4) in G.O. (Ms) No. 221 Public Works (G2) Department, dated 16.08.2018, which is as follows:-

- (a) Registration of all the Contractors in all Classes I to V i.e., Division Level, Circle Level and State Level shall be done as a Single Window System by the Engineer in Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai-5.
- (b) The applications received in the office of the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai - 5 from the Contractors with payment of prescribed application fees shall be sent to the respective Division / Circle

in which territory the Contractor intending to register for thorough scrutiny of the applications, as per the rules / orders in force for ensuring the eligibility of the contractors, for registration and for verifying the bonafide of the evidences produced by the applicants. After that, the applications may be sent back to the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai-5 with recommendation of the Superintending Engineer / Executive Engineer concerned.

- (c) The application for the renewal of contract registration for every year should be submitted to the office of the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai - 5, before the expiry date of renewal so as to keep the contractor registration alive. The Contractor registration live certificate will be valid for one year only from the date of issue of renewal order.

9. The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai has therefore requested the Government to issue necessary orders for registration of contractors as revised in the para 8 above.

10. The Government after careful consideration have decided to accept the proposal of the Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai and to revise the monetary limit for categories of registration of contractors, their application fee and registration fee for registration of contractors in Water Resources Department as mentioned in para 8 above and issue orders accordingly.

11. The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai is directed to take necessary steps for e-registration of Contractors through e-sevai maiyyam in consultation with TNeGA and District Administration.

12. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O. No.969 / Infra-II / 2023, dated 21.10.2023.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

The Engineer-in-Chief and Chief Engineer (General), Water Resources Department, Chennai-5.

All Regional and Functional Chief Engineers,
Water Resources Department

The Director, TNeGA, Chennai-2.

All District Collectors.

The Principal Accountant General (A&E / Audit / E&RSA), Chennai-18.

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

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

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