

GOVERNMENT OF TAMIL NADU

ABSTRACT

The Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005) – Tamil Nadu Right to Information (Fees) Rules, 2005 – Orders – Issued.

Public (Estt. 1 & Leg.) Department

G.O.Ms.No.989

Dated 07.10.2005

Read:

1. From the Secretary to Government, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions D.O.Letter No.34012/S/2005-Esst.(B) dated 23rd June, 2005.
2. Government Letter Ms.No.987, Public (Estt. 1 & Leg) Dept. dated 7.10.2005.

ORDER:

The Government of India have enacted the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005) to provide for setting out a practical regime system of right to information for citizens to secure access to information under the control of public authorities, in order to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority.

2. In the Government Letter Ms second read above, the Government have issued orders designating Public Information Officers and Appellate Authorities for implementation of the said Act in all public authorities. As per section 27 of the said Act, the appropriate Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, make rules to carryout the provisions of the said Act. Accordingly, the following Notification, shall be published in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary, dated the Friday, 7th October, 2005:-

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 27 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Rules:-

RULES

1) Short title.- These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Right to Information (Fees) Rules, 2005.

2) Definitions.- In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- (a) "Act" means the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005);
- (b) Words and expressions used in these Rules and not defined shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Act.

3) FEES.-

(a) Every application for obtaining information under sub-section (1) of section 6 of the Act shall be accompanied by an application fee of rupees fifty by cash or by demand draft or bankers cheque payable in the head of account, as may be specified by the Public Authority.

(b) For providing the information under sub-section (1) of section 7 of the Act, a fee shall be charged by way of cash against proper receipt or by demand draft or banker's cheque payable in the head of account, as specified by Public Authority at the following rates:-

- (i) rupees two for each page (in A-4 or A-3 size paper) created or copied;
- (ii) actual charge or cost price of a copy in larger size paper;
- (iii) actual cost or price for samples or models; and
- (iv) for inspection of records, no fee for the first hour, and a fee of rupees five for each fifteen minutes (or fraction thereof) thereafter.

(c) For providing the information under sub-section (5) of section 7, the fee shall be charged by way of cash against proper receipt or by demand draft or banker's cheque payable in the head of account, as specified by the Public Authority at the following rates:-

- (i) for information provided in diskette or floppy rupees fifty per diskette or floppy; and
- (ii) for information provided in printed form at the price fixed for publication.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To
All Secretaries to Government
All Heads of Department/All Public Sector Undertaking /Corporation.
The Tamil Nadu Information Commission, Chennai.
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Personnel,
Public Grievances and Pensions, New Delhi.
The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.
The Works Manager, Government Central Press, Chennai –79.
(for publication of the Notification in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette
Extraordinary)

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SECTION OFFICER.