



ABSTRACT

Announcement – Eradication of Open Defecation in Public Places in a Phased Manner
– Funds released - Orders – Issued.

Municipal Administration and Water Supply (TP2) Department

G.O.(D) No. 63

Dated: 15.03.2012

Read:

1. G.O. (Ms.) No.153, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dt.15.10.2011.
2. From the Commissioner of Municipal Administration letter Roc. No.47109/P1/2011, dated 26.12.2011
3. From the Director of Town Panchayats letter Roc. No.18270/2011/E3, dated 14.01.2012.

ORDER:

During the Demand for the year 2011-12, the Hon'ble Minister for Municipal Administration and Rural Development made an announcement on the floor of the Legislative Assembly as follows:-

“This Government is committed to make the State 'open defecation free' by 2015. The solution lies in mapping these areas, providing facilities and also putting in place a proper mechanism to maintain them. The Government will work out the appropriate strategy in this regard and provide the infrastructure in phases to cover the entire State by 2015.”

2. Following this, in the Government Order first read above, orders were issued for guidelines as follows:-

- I. The Public places, where the open defecation is still being practiced should be identified.
- II. Appropriate lands should be selected for providing the toilet facilities, where necessary.

III. Estimates should be prepared envisaging provision of basic facilities such as water supply and electricity connection in such toilets both for new construction and revamped ones.

3. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Municipal Administration in his letter second read above, has stated that as per the survey conducted it is observed that

- a. 880 units in Corporations and 907 units of common toilets in Municipalities have to be revamped at a cost of Rs.4695.46 lakh.
- b. 456 units in Corporations and 668 units of common toilets in Municipalities required to be newly constructed at a cost of Rs.9606.90 lakhs. It is suggested that the above construction/revamping may be phased out upto 2015 to declare the State as Open Defecation Free. For the current year 2011-12, 821 units are to be taken up for revamping/construction as given in the table below:-

Sl. No.	Year	Corporations		Municipalities		Total	
		No. of Units	Estimate Cost (Rs.in lakh)	No. of Units	Estimate Cost (Rs.in lakh)	No. of Units	Estimate Cost (Rs.in lakh)
1	2011-12 Improvement	210	555.18	358	783.65	568	1338.83
2	2011-12 new construction	111	783.45	142	1361.00	253	2144.45
	Total	321	1338.63	500	2144.65	821	3483.28

4. The Director of Town Panchayats in his letter third read above has stated that out of 22.56 lakhs families in Town Panchayats approximately 15.00 lakhs families are having toilet facilities. In order to eradicate open defecation, the Director of Town Panchayats has proposed to conduct awareness campaign, distribution of pamphlets to the public through Self Help Group etc. and requested the Government to provide funds as follows:-

Sl.No.		No of units	Cost (Rs.in crores)
A.	Construction of new toilets in 238 Town Panchayats	645	44.15
B.	Improvements of existing toilets in 493 Town Panchayats	697	11.10
	Total		55.25

He has requested for administrative sanction and sanction of funds to the tune of Rs.55.25 crores for the year 2011-12.

5. The Commissioner of Municipal Administration / Director of Town Panchayats have proposed to repair the existing District / Construct new common Toilets as detailed below:-

Commissioner of Municipal Administration	
1. Improve of 1787 common toilets	- Rs.4695.46 lakhs
2. Construction of 1124 new common toilets	- Rs.9606.90 lakhs
Director of Town Panchayats	
1. Improve of 697 common toilets	- Rs.1109.68 lakhs
2. Construction of 645 new common toilets	-Rs.4414.95 lakhs.
Total	- Rs.19826.99

As a total fund required is Rs.198.27 crore for the year 2011-12, 10% of the amount is Rs.19.83 crore can be sanctioned from Infrastructure Gap Filling Fund as regular sanction to commence the programme. If additional provisional is required it will be provided in the RE 2011-12.

6. In the circumstances stated above, Government has proposed to accept the proposal of the Commissioner of Municipal Administration and Director of Town Panchayats to release 10% of the total amount of Rs.198.30 Crore totaling a sum of Rs.19.83 Crore (Nineteen Crore and Eighty three lakhs only) has to be sanctioned to them. Accordingly a sum of Rs.14.30 Crore (Fourteen Crore and thirty lakhs only) has been sanctioned to the Commissioner of Municipal Administration and Rs.5.53 Crore (Five Crore and fifty three lakhs only) has been sanctioned to the Director of Town Panchayats under Infrastructure Gap Filling Fund for the implementation of the eradication of open defecation for the year 2011-12.

7. The amount sanctioned in para 6 above may be debited to the following head of Accounts:-

Commissioner of Municipal Administration: Rs.14.30 crore

3604 – 00 – Compensation and Assignments to Local Bodies and Panchayat Raj Institutions – 192 – Assistance to Municipalities / Municipal Councils – I – Non-plan – AE – Contribution to the Infrastructure Gap Filling Fund – 09 – Grants –in-Aid – 02 – Grants for Capital Expenditure (DPC: 3604 – 00 – 192 – AE – 0921)

