INTRODUCTION

1.1 In order to promote transparency and accountability in the working of every public authority and to empower the citizens to secure access to information under the control of each public authority, the Government of India have enacted “The Right to Information Act, 2005”, (RTI Act) which came into force on 15.06.2005. In accordance with the provisions of section 4(1) (b) of this Act, the Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes welfare Board, Government of Tamil Nadu has brought out this manual for information and guidance of the stakeholders and the general public.

1.2 The purpose of this manual is to inform the general public about this Board’s organisational set-up, functions and duties of its officers and employees, records and documents available with the Department.

1.3 This manual is aimed at the public in general and users of the services, and Provides information about the schemes, projects and programmes being Implemented by the Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes Welfare Board, and the organisations Under it’s administrative control.
The Tamil Nadu Folk Artiste’s welfare board has designated Thiru. P.A. Mani IFS, Commissioner of Art & Culture as member secretary, and Thiru A. Daniel Premnath, Deputy secretary to Govt, Tourism & Culture department as Secretary. A person requiring any information under the act may contact these officers. The offices of the above officers are as follows.

Thiru. P.A. Mani IFS,  
Commissioner,  
Member Secretary  
Art & Culture Department  
Govt Music College Campus  
Greenways Road, Chennai – 28  
Phone – 04424617260

Thiru. A. Daniel Premnath  
Deputy Secretary to Govt,  
Tourism & Culture Department  
Secretary  
Secretariat,  
Chennai – 9.  
Phone no – 04425672709
ADDRESS OF THE BOARD AND FORMATION

The address of the Tamil Nadu Folk Artiste’s Welfare Board
Tamil Nadu Folk Artiste’s welfare board
Govt Music College campus
Greenways Road
Chennai – 28
Phone no – 04424615156
04424613430

Formation
Tamil Nadu Folk Artiste’s welfare board formed under section 6 of the Tamilnadu manual workers (regulations of employment and conditions of work) Act 1982
G.O.(Ms) No.70 of Tourism & Culture(CA2) Department dated 26-04-2007

Purpose & Notification
In exercise of the powers conferred by sub sections (1) (3) & (5) of sections of the Tamilnadu Manual workers (Regulation of employment & conditions of the workers Act, 1982 (Tamil Nadu Act 33 of 1982) The Tamilnadu folk artiste’s welfare board is to provide social security and welfare measures for the manual workers engaged in the employment mentioned under item 67 of the schedule of the said Act.
COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD

Members representing the Government

Chairman : 1. The Honble Minister for Tourism

Member 2. The Secretary to Government
         Tourism & Culture department

Member Secretary 3. Commissioner, 
                  Art & Culture department

Member 4. The Secretary to Government 
         Finance department

Member 5. The Chairman 
         Tamil Nadu Eyyal Isai Nataka Mandram

Member 6. The Member – Secretary 
         Tamil Nadu Eyyal Isai Nataka Mandram

Non Official Members

Member 7. Dr.I.A.Gunasekaran

   8 Thiru V.Tamilselvan 
     Chairman, 
     Tamil Nadu Progressive writers 
     association

   9. Thiru R.Dhananjeyan 
      St.Xaviour College Pallayamkottai

   10. Prof.V.Arasu 
     University of Madras

   11.Sister Chandra, Dindigul

   12. Thiru John Baba 
      Silambatta Artist

   13. Jaya Arulpathi

   14 Tmt.Chinnaponnu Kumar
Duration of the Committee

The Non-official members of the Board shall hold office for a period of 2(two) years Commencing on and from the date on which this appointment is first notified in the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette as per Sub-rule (2) of Rule 19 of the Tamil Nadu Manual Workers (Regulations of Employment and Conditions of work) Rules, 1986. (Para 3 of GO(Ms)No 70 Tourism & Culture (CA2) Department dated 26.04.2007)

FUND & SCHEME

Fund

The implement the Tamilnadu folk artistes social security and welfare schemes, the government sanctioned an intial amount of Rs.10000000/- (Rupees One Crore only) as budget to the support under demand number 29, Tourism Art & Culture as detailed below.

“ 2205.00 Art and Culture – 102 Promotion of Arts and Culture – I – Non Plan – AL – Grants to Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes Welfare Board – 09 – (DPC 2205-00-102-AL 0912)

Scheme

1) The scheme is called Tamilnadu social security & welfare scheme,2007

2) Entire Tamil Nadu State is the jurisdiction for this scheme.

3) This scheme meant for all the folk artistes those who are engaged in folk art.

4) This scheme was implemented from 07.01.2008
DEPENDENTS, FAMILY AND ELIGIBLE FOR MEMBERSHIPS

Dependents
Dependents of an expired Registered Folk artiste are as follows:

1) Husband or Wife wherever necessary
2) Legitimate Children
3) Widow and expired Son’s Children
4) Parents

Family
(a) For a male artiste
Wife, married or unmarried children, depending parents expired son’s widow & their children

(b) For female artiste
Husband, Children, depending parents & expired son’s widow & children

Eligible for enrolling as member
Folk Artiste who completed the age of 18 and not completing 60 years
DUTIES & POWERS OF THE BOARD

Powers and Duties of Board

(1) Subject to the other provisions of The Act, the Board may take such Measures, as it may consider Necessary for implementing the Scheme.

(2) The Board shall

(a) Maintain and administer the “Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes Social Security and Welfare fund” and collect the Contributions towards that Fund.

(b) Subject to the provisions of the Scheme hold and utilise any property Vested with it only for the purpose of The Scheme.

(c) Have the authority to spend such sum, as it thinks fit for the purpose of the scheme from out of the Fund.

(d) Keep proper accounts for all receipts and expenses under the scheme.

(e) Submit annual budget to the Govt through the commissioner of Art and culture for sanction

(f) Submit annual report to the Govt copies of all proceedings of the meetings of the Board
(g) Submit to the Government copies of all proceedings of the meetings of the Board

(h) Make all arrangements necessary for the annual audit of accounts of the Board in accordance with the instructions issued by the Govt.

(i) Furnish information to the Government on such matters as the Government may refer to it, from time to time.

(3) The Board may

(a) Accept deposits from persons, authorities or establishments on such conditions as it deems fit

(b) Borrow money with the previous permission of the Government in order to augment the sources of fund

(c) Specify Forms, records, registers and statements appended to this scheme, for the administration of the scheme and revise any of such forms, records, registers and also specify production of additional certificates, records along with such forms, statement etc., and

(d) Make recommendations to the Government about modifications which are considered necessary in the scheme
DUTIES & RESPONSIBILITIES OF SECRETARY & ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER AND ESTABLISHMENT

Secretary of the Board
1) The Secretary of the Board shall be an officer in the cadre of Deputy Secretary to Government.

2) The Secretary shall, with the approval of the Chairman of the Board, issue notices to convene meetings of the Board and keep the record of minutes and shall take necessary steps for carrying out the decisions of the Board.

Appointment of the Administrative officer
And other officers and staff of the board

1) The Administrative officer of the board shall be an officer in the cadre of Under Secretary to Government.

2) The Administrative Officer shall assist the secretary in the smooth functioning of the Board and he will be in charge of all the administrative matters connected with the Board.

3) Thiru S. Thanganayagam, Executive Officer, Jawahar Bal Bahvan is holding Full Additional Charge of Administrative Officer of this Board From 11.02.2009

4) All the other posts sanctioned by the Government for the Board shall be filled up
a) on deputation from Art and Culture department or any other departments; or

b) On deputation from undertakings or Corporations or Boards of the State Government; or

C) by direct recruitment

D) The government has sanctioned One Assistant/Accountant in the Scale of pay Rs.5300 – 20500 with grade pay Rs.2400/- and One Steno Typist cum Computer Operator post in the same Scale

Thiru.J.Magesh Kumar has been Appointed as Assistant cum Accountant through the District Employment exchange. Action is Being taken to appoint the Steno Typist cum Computer operator Through the District employment Exchange.

Secretary of the Board and others

The secretary and other officers and members of the staff of the Board appointed under this scheme shall be deemed to be public servants within the meaning of section 21 of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 (Central Act XLV of 1860)
Administrative and financial powers of The Secretary

1) The secretary of the board may without reference to the Board sanction expenditure on contingencies, services and purchase of articles subject to the limit up to which he may be authorised to sanction expenditure with such restrictions imposed by the board with the approval of the Govt.

2) Secretary may also exercise such administrative and financial powers other than those specified in sub-clause (1) above, as may be delegated to him from time to time by the board with the approval of the Government.

REGISTRATION & SUSPENSION

Registration of Folk Artistes

1) Any Folk Artiste who has completed the age of 18 years but not completed 60 years, may register his name with the Board to become a member of the scheme.

2) Application for such registration shall be made in the Form-I appended to this scheme together with a certificate of employment issued by any of the persons or officers specified below

a) Regional Assistant Director of Art and Culture Department.
b) Member – Secretary Tamil Nadu
Eyal Isai Nataka Manram

3) The registration under this clause is valid for a period of two years.

4) Every registered Folk Artiste whose name has been registered under this clause will be issued with an identity card in Form – II at free of cost by the Board.

5) In case of loss of the identity card a duplicate identity card will be issued by the Board on an application made by the registered Folk Artiste concerned, on payment of twenty rupees.

6) (a) Every registered Folk Artiste shall furnish name, address, relationship of the nominee to whom the benefits shall be payable in the event of his death in the application.

(b) If a Folk Artiste has a family at the time of making a nomination, the nomination shall be made in favour of one or more members of his family. Any nomination made by such employee in favour of a person who is not a member of his family shall be void.

(c) If at the time of making a nomination, the Fold Artiste has no family, the nomination may be made in favour of any person or persons.
(i) if the Folk Artiste subsequently acquires a family, such nomination shall forthwith become invalid and the Folk Artiste shall make within ninety days of acquiring a family, a fresh nomination in favour of one or more members of his family.

(ii) if a nominee predeceases the Folk Artiste, the interest of the nominee shall revert to the Folk Artiste who shall make a fresh nomination in respect of such interest.

Registration Authority

The Secretary of the Board shall be the Registration Authority.

Suspension and cancellation of membership

1) The Registration Authority may, if they have any reasonable cause to believe that the membership and or benefit under this scheme has been secured by a registered Folk Artiste by making any statement in relation to, any application or the registration, which is incorrect or false in any material particular or has contravened any of the provisions of the Act, or any rule or the Scheme framed under the Act, suspend such membership pending the completion of any inquiry against the holder of such membership.

2) The Registration Authority may, if he is satisfied, after making such inquiry as he may think fit, that the
holder of a membership has made a false or incorrect statement of the nature referred to in sub-clause (1), or has contravened any provision of the Act or any rules or the Schemes framed under the Act, cancel such membership. Provided that no such membership shall be cancelled unless the holder thereof has been given a reasonable opportunity of showing cause against the proposed action.

3) Every person whose membership has been cancelled shall forfeit all his claims under the Scheme.

4) Any registered Folk Artiste aggrieved by the orders passed by the authority referred to in sub-clause (2) is entitled to prefer an appeal to the Board within thirty days from the date of receipt of such orders. The Board may, be recorded in for valid reasons to writing allow preference of appeal after a period of thirty days but not exceeding ninety days. On such preference of appeal, the Board shall dispose the appeal within a period of three months from the date of filing of such appeal, after giving an opportunity to the aggrieved Folk Artiste. The orders passed by the Secretary shall be final.

**Maintenance of Registers**

1) The Board shall maintain a Register of members in Form III.

2) The records relating to a calendar year shall be preserved until the end of subsequent three years.
SOCIAL & WELFARE FUND

The Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes Social Security and Welfare Fund

(1) There shall be constituted a Fund called the “The Tamil Nadu Folk Artistes Social security and welfare fund” to which the following shall be credited

a. all contributions received by the Board from the Government as grant.
b. all contributions received by the Board under the Scheme
c. all moneys received by the Board by way of sale or disposal of properties and other assets
d. interest on investments in securities and deposits and rents
e. all moneys received by way of interest charged for the delayed payment or contribution under clause 25 of the Scheme; and
f. all moneys received by the Board in any other manner or from any other source

(2) All moneys received by the Board and forming part of the Fund shall be kept in Current Account of any of the Nationalised Banks or any of the Co-operative Banks under the control and supervision of Tamil Nadu State Co-operative Bank or any other bank as may be specified by the Board from time to time. Such account shall be jointly
Contributions

1) The contribution payable under This Scheme shall comprise contribution payable to the Board (hereinafter referred to as the “Artistes contribution”), and the grant made to the Board by the Government from time to time as contribution to the Fund which shall form part of the Fund.

2) All remittances payable to the Fund shall be rounded off to the nearest rupee.

3) Every Artiste shall pay to the Board a sum of Rs.10/- per year for renewal of membership before 31st January by cash, accompanied by a statement in Form IV.

RENEWAL OF REGISTRATION

Renewal of Registration

1) Every Folk Artiste whose name has been registered under clause (8), shall renew his registration of membership before the expiry of the period of two years specified in that clause.

2) A registered Folk Artiste who fails to renew his/her registration of
membership shall cease to be member automatically. No specific orders on the cessation of membership need be issued.

3) A registered Folk Artiste whose membership ceased under sub-clause (2) may be re-admitted by the Registration Authority or any other officer authorised in this behalf of by the Board.

4) Notwithstanding his re-admission under sub-clause (3), he shall not be eligible to claim any benefits that may become due during the period of non-renewal.

**Intimation about change of Place etc:**

Every registered Folk Artiste if migrates from one place to another place shall, within thirty days of such change intimate the Secretary or any other officer authorised by him in this behalf, by a letter sent by registered post or delivered in person.

**Utilisation of Fund**

1) The Fund of the Scheme shall vest in and be held and applied by the Board as Trustees subject to the provisions and for the purposes of this Scheme.

2) It shall be lawful for the Board to invest the moneys in any Government Financial Institutions, Co-operative Banks, Nationalised Banks or Corporations authorised by the Government which offers the highest rate of interest as on the date of such investment.
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13. SCHEMES

a. PENSION SCHEME

1) Eligibility

Every registered Folk Artiste who has completed sixty years of age is eligible for pension, if he has continued in such professions for a continuous period of not less than five years.

Provided that a folk artist who has not completed sixty years of age but registered with the Board for a continuous period of five years is also eligible for pension if he has become disabled due to sickness and incapacitated from normal work.

2) Claim

Every registered folk artiste who is eligible for pension under sub-clause (1) shall apply to the Board.

3) Form

Form V and VI are applicable.

4) Certificate to be Produced

Disabled folk artiste who is eligible for pension under the proviso to sub-clause (1) shall produce to the Board a certificate of proof of his disability issued by a Medical Officer not below the rank of a Civil Surgeon.

5) Decision

The Board shall examine every application for pension in accordance with the provisions of this clause and
may accept or reject the claim. The decision of the Board shall be final.

Provided that the Board shall, before rejecting a claim for pension, give the applicant a reasonable opportunity of making his representation.

Amount of Pension Rs.300/- per month.

To whom the application along with the form to be sent & Contact person

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**Madurai Region**
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Assistant Director
Regional Art & Culture Centre
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Phone No. 9842178721

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V. Jayabal,
Deputy Director,
Art and Culture Department,
Government Music College Campus,
Chennai-28
Phone : 044-24617261

**Appellete Authority**

A. Daniel Premnath
Secretary
Tamilnadu Folk Artiste’s welfare board
Govt Music College Campus
Greenways Road, Chennai - 28
Phone Nos. 044-615156 & 24613430
13 b. NATURAL DEATH AND FUNERAL ASSISTANCE

**Eligibility**
All Registered Folk Artistes those who dies

**Sanctioning Authority**
The Secretary or any other Officer Authorised in this behalf by the board

**Amount**

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**Claiming Person**
Nominee of the Deceased Registered folk Artiste.

**Form to be used**
Form VII
This forms will be accompanied by the Death certificate, the original identity card Issued.

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13 c. EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

Eligibility
All Registered Folk Artistes

Santioning Authority
The Secretary or any other Officer
Authorised in this behalf by the board

To whom the Assistance eligible
Son or Daughter of the folk artiste

Conditions
1) Only two children of the folk artiste
2) The registered folk artistes shall has no dues Payable to the board

Amount of Assistance
a) Girl child studying 10th Rs.1000/-
b) 10th passed Rs.1000/-
c) Girl Children studying 11th Rs.1000/-
d) Girl Children studying 12th Rs.1500/-
e) 12th passed Rs.1500/-
f) Regular Degree Course Rs.1500/- with Hostel facility Rs.1750/-
g) Regular Post Graduate Course Rs.2000/- with Hostel facility Rs.3000/-
h) Professional Degree Course Rs.2000/- with Hostel facility Rs.4000/-
i) Professional PG Course Rs.4000/- with Hostel facility Rs.6000/-
j) ITI or Polytechnic Course Rs.1000/- with Hostel Facility Rs.1200/-

Form to be used
(b) & (e) – FORM VIII
(a), (c), (d) – FORM IX
(f) to (J) – FORM X

Where husband & wife have applied for Assistance under this clause, one of Them alone shall be eligible for such Assistance.
Evidences to be produced

1) Certificate from the educational Institution head or officer

2) Certificate from the warden of The hostel to be attested by the Institution head or officer

3) Those who are studying in Government or govt recognised Institution alone eligible

To whom the application to be submitted

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### 13 d. MARRIAGE ASSISTANCE

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<td>5) Where both husband and wife have applied for assistance to the marriage of his son or daughter under this clause, one of them alone shall be eligible for this assistance.</td>
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<td>a) Rs.2000/-</td>
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<td>Form XI</td>
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Evidences to be produced

1) Certificate from the Village Administrative Officer or revenue officer stating that he/she has not obtained this assistance from any other schemes

2) Marriage Invitation

3) Marriage Photo & witness from any one who attained the marriage

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13 e. **ASSISTANCE FOR DELIVERY OF A CHILD OR THE MISCARRIAGE OF PREGNANCY OR THE TERMINATION OF PREGNANCY**

**Eligibility**
All Registered Female Folk Artiste

**Santioning Authority**
The Secretary or any other Officer Authorised in this behalf by the board

**To whom the Assistance eligible**
Self

**Conditions**
1) registered female Folk Artiste can get this assistance only twice
2) the registered folk artiste shall have no dues payable to the Board
3) registered female Folk Artiste shall not be given this assistance if she already has two children

**Amount of Assistance**

a) Delivery – Rs.6000/- (@ Rs.1000/- per month for six months)

b) Miscarriage – Rs.3000/-

c) Termination – Rs.3000/-

**Form to be used**
Form XII

**Evidences to be produced**
1) Certificate from the Registered Maternity Doctor

To whom the application to be submitted

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Kanchipuram, Thiruvallur, Thiruvannamalai, Vellore
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13 f. ASSISTANCE FOR PURCHASE OF SPECTACLES

Eligibility
All Registered Folk Artiste

Sanctioning Authority
The Secretary or any other Officer
Authorised in this behalf by the board

To whom the Assistance eligible
Self

Conditions
1) The assistance shall be restricted to two thousand registered Folk Artiste per year on “First come – First serve” basis

2) This assistance shall be given only once

3) The Registered Folk Artiste shall have no dues payable to the board

4) will be eligible to avail the benefits under this scheme only if he has not availed similar benefits of any other schemes of the Government

Amount of Assistance
Maximum of Rs.500/-

Form to be used
Form XIII

Evidences to be produced
1) Medical prescription from the registered eye specialist

2) Purchase bill

To whom the application to be submitted
Kanchipuram Region
Kanchipuram, Thiruvallur,
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