



ABSTRACT

Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department – Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change – Inclusion of Member - Orders - Issued.

ENVIRONMENT,CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOREST (EC.4) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(D).No.132

Dated:12.06.2025

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Read:

1. G.O.(Ms).No.242, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (EC.2) Department, dated 21.10.2022.
2. G.O.(D).No.20, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (EC.2) Department, dated 01.02.2023.
3. G.O.(D).No.52, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (EC.2) Department, dated 17.03.2023.
4. From the Director of Environment and Climate Change, letter F.No.1332/ TNCCM /2023/2025-1, dated 05.06.2025.

ORDER:

In the Government Orders first to third read above, orders have been issued for constitution of Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change with the following objectives:-

- (i). Provide a Policy directive to the Tamil Nadu Climate Change Mission.
- (ii). Advise on Climate adaptation and mitigation activities.
- (iii). Approve Tamil Nadu State Action Plan on Climate Change.
- (iv). Provide guidance to the State Climate Change Mission and District Climate Change Missions on implementation of various Climate initiatives.

2. The composition of Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change is as follows:-

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| 1 | Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu | - | Chairman |
| 2 | Hon'ble Minister (Finance & Human Resources Management) | - | Member |

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| 3 | Hon'ble Minister (Industries) | - | Member |
| 4 | Hon'ble Minister (Forests) | - | Member |
| 5 | Hon'ble Minister (Environment, Climate Change) | - | Member |
| 6 | Hon'ble Minister (Energy, Prohibition and Excise) | - | Member |
| 7 | Hon'ble Minister (Transport) | - | Member |
| 8 | Thiru. Montek Singh Ahluwalia, Economist. | - | Member |
| 9 | Thiru Nandan. M Nilekani, Co-founder and Chairman of Infosys Board. | - | Member |
| 10 | Thiru Erik Solheim, 6 th Executive Director, United Nations Environment Programme, Former Under Secretary General. | - | Member |
| 11 | Dr. Soumya Swaminathan, formerly Chief Scientist, World Health Organization (WHO) | - | Member |
| 12 | Prof. Dr. Ramesh Ramachandran, Founder Director of National Centre for Sustainable Coastal Management (NCSCM) | - | Member |
| 13 | Dr.A.Ramachandran, Emeritus Professor and Former Director, Centre for Climate Change and Disaster Management, Anna University, Chennai | - | Member |
| 14 | Thiru G. Sundarajan, Co-ordinator, Poovulagin Nanbargal. | - | Member |
| 15 | Tmt Nirmala Raja, Chairperson, RAMCO Community Services | - | Member |
| 16 | Chief Secretary to Government | - | Member |
| 17 | Vice Chairman, Tamil Nadu State Planning Commission | - | Member |
| 18 | Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department | - | Member Convenor. |
| 19 | Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Industries, Investment Promotion & Commerce Department | - | Member |
| 20 | Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department | - | Member |
| 21 | Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Finance Department | - | Member |

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| 22 | Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Energy Department | - | Member |
| 23 | Principal Secretary to Government, Rural Development & Panchayat Raj Department | - | Member |
| 24 | Principal Secretary to Government, Housing & Urban Development | - | Member |
| 25 | Principal Secretary to Government, Animal Husbandry, Dairying, Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare Department | - | Member |
| 26 | Secretary to Government / Agricultural Production Commissioner, Agriculture & Farmers Welfare Department | - | Member |

3. The Director of Environment and Climate Change in his letter 4th read above has stated that with the evolving scope of the Tamil Nadu Climate Change Mission and the growing need for deeper technical expertise and cross-sectoral collaboration, inclusion of additional member of eminence to the Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change is deemed essential. Further, Dr. Kalaiyarasan Arumugam, Assistant Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies has vast experience in various facets of sustainable development. Moreover, the inclusion of Dr. Kalaiyarasan Arumugam will further strengthen the Council's advisory capacity and bring valuable domain knowledge from sectors such as sustainable urban development, and social justice. This will ensure that the Mission remains at the forefront of innovative and inclusive climate action.

4. The Government after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Director of Environment & Climate Change and order that Dr. Kalaiyarasan Arumugam, Assistant Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies be included as a member in the Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**SUPRIYA SAHU
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

Dr. Kalaiyarasan Arumugam,
Assistant Professor, Madras Institute of Development Studies (Through DoE&CC)
The Director of Environment and Climate Change, Chennai -35
The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-09.
The Special/Senior Personal Assistant to the
Hon'ble Minister (Finance & Environment Climate Change), Chennai-09

The Special/Senior Personal Assistant to the
Hon'ble Minister (Industries) – Chennai-9.
The Special/Senior Personal Assistant to the
Hon'ble Minister (Forests), Chennai-9.
The Special/Senior Personal Assistant to the
Hon'ble Minister (Transport/Energy), Chennai – 9.
The Chief Secretary to Government, Secretariat, Chennai-9.
All Members of Tamil Nadu Governing Council on Climate Change
Thro:- Additional Chief Secretary to Government,
Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,
Secretariat, Chennai-9.

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J. G. Mead, Jr. 12/6/25

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