



ABSTRACT

Environment, Climate Change – Green School Scheme – Announcement for the year 2022-2023 – Administrative approval – Orders – Issued

Environment, Climate Change & Forest(EC.1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.174

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சுபகிருது வருடம், புரட்டாசி-19**

Read:

1. Announcement made on the floor of the Assembly on 25.04.2022
2. From the Director, Department of Environment and Climate Change Letter No.P4/665/2022, dated 26.05.2022.

ORDER

The Government have made the following announcement on the floor of the Assembly :-

“With Climate Change becoming a reality, young children need to be prepared for climate change adaptation and mitigation. The green revolution should begin with the younger generation. 25 Green Schools shall be selected to implement the green vision of the Hon’ble Chief Minister. These schools shall undertake various green measures like energy efficiency by using solar lighting and use of solar pumps, setting up of solar borewell, adapting rain water harvesting, composting, creating vegetable garden, medicinal garden and planting of fruit trees, reducing water use, recycling of waste water, creating a plastic free environment etc. All the electricity requirements for the School will be met by Solar Power.

These schools shall be the torchbearers of the green school initiative which will inspire all other schools to follow the green footprints. The schools shall also be ranked on a green index to create a repository of information on green initiatives. An amount of Rs.5 crore shall be allocated by the Government of Tamil Nadu towards this initiative, in which Rs.20 lakh will be allocated to each school”.

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2. Accordingly the Government of Tamil Nadu has decided to launch the "Green School Scheme".

3. The proposed Green Schools shall be selected by the concerned District Collectors with the help of the Chief Educational Officers. District Collectors may select these schools based on local priorities.

Green Schools shall undertake a comprehensive exercise and prepare a Green Protocol for the school. The Green Protocol shall include the following:-

1. Use of solar panels to generate Green Energy for the school.
2. Use of solar power for pumping arrangements for the drinking water.
3. Adoption of water harvesting structures.
4. Creation of Mini Forests within the campus.
5. Depending upon the land availability, set up vegetable garden, medicinal garden, vermicomposting etc.,
6. Create single use plastic free environment.
7. Waste segregation at source and composting within the campus.
8. Rain water harvesting and water recycling etc.,
9. Create a ventricular Pollution free environment as far as possible.
10. Prepare an integrated management plan for Greening initiatives

In order to effectively monitor the scheme, a Committee shall be set up with following Members as below:-

- i. District Environmental Engineer(DEE)- Chairperson
- ii. Chief Educational Officer (CEO) – Member
- iii. Parent Teacher's Association – Member
- iv. Green Fellow / Green Associate – Member

The Committee shall meet every month to take a review of the progress being made and report the progress to the District Collector. The concerned Chief Educational Officer shall submit a monthly report to the District Collector through the District Environmental Engineer (DEE).

4. The Government after careful examination accord administrative approval for a sum of Rs.5 crore [Rs. 20 lakh per School with a total cost of Rs. 5 crore for 25 Government Schools] to the Director, Department of Environment and Climate Change for implementing the "Green School Scheme"

from the Tamil Nadu Pollution Control Board's fund, subject to the condition that the unit norms followed by Government departments for the respective item shall be followed (Solar panel, drip irrigation, planting etc.,)

5. The cost details for each school is as follows:-

Sl. No	Details of activities/item of expenditure	Amount Rs. In lakh
1	Solar Panel, Tubular battery, lightings (including 2 years maintenance)	5.00
2	Setting up of bore well, drip irrigation and other related arrangements	4.50
3	Garden maintenance grant @ Rs.9000/- for 12 months (2 years)	2.16
4	Rain water Harvesting	1.50
5	Composting, Creating Vegetable Garden, Medicinal Garden and Planting of fruit bearing trees	2.50
6	Green Ideas & Awareness Creation Program (20 Nos @ 10,000/- each)	2.00
7	Contingencies	0.50
8	Other Charges (Green School Board, periodical report, documentation)	1.84
	Total	20.00

(Rupees Twenty Lakh from TNPCB funds)

6. This order is issued with the concurrence of Finance Department, vide its U.O.No.3450/PS/P/22, Dated: 12.09.2022.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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