



## **ABSTRACT**

Forests – Tamil Nadu Wetland Mission – Administrative sanction for implementation of Tamil Nadu Wetland Mission during 2024-2025 to 2026-2027 and Financial sanction for the year 2024-2025 - Orders - Issued.

### **Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.9) Department**

G.O. (D) No.203

Dated : 21.10.2024

குரோதி, ஜப்பசி-4,  
திருவங்ஞவர் ஆண்டு, 2055

Read :

1. G.O. (Ms.) No.59, Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department, dated 25.03.2022.
2. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Wetland Authority Letter No.TNSWA1/167/2023, dated 25.07.2024.

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### **ORDER :**

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued for implementation of the "Tamil Nadu Wetlands Mission" for a period of five years from 2021-2022 to 2025-2026 for an amount of Rs.115.15 crore for ecological restoration of 100 wetlands in the period of five years with focus on livelihood.

2. In the letter second read above, the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Wetland Authority submitted a proposal to revise the Government Order first read above without any deviation in overall financial allocation by according the necessary administrative sanction for the financial year 2024-2025 to 2026-2027 and financial allocation for 2024-2025, towards effective implementation of the Tamil Nadu Wetlands Mission during the years 2023–2024 to 2026-2027. Out of Rs.115.15 crore earmarked for this mission (Rs.101.59 crore (88.23%) for core activities and Rs.13.56 crore (11.78%) for non-core activities), Rs.14.76 crore provided for 2021- 2022 and 2022-2023 had already been allocated. The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Wetland Authority has now proposed to revise the ratio of Core and Non-core activities in the ratio of 75% to core activity : 25% to non-core activity for the years 2024-2025 – 2026-2027 and requested necessary orders from the Government on the above lines.

3. After careful examination, the Government accord administrative sanction for Rs.26,60,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty six crore and sixty lakh only) [Rs 22.04 crore for Core Activities and Rs.4.56 crore for Non-core activities] for implementation of Tamil Nadu Wetlands Mission during 2024-2025 to 2026-2027 and Financial sanction for Rs.4,25,00,000/- (Rupees Four crore twenty five lakh only) (Rs.2.20 crore for Core Activities and Rs.2.05 crore for Non-core activities) for the year 2024-2025 for the following components :-

**A. Core Activities**

| Sl. No. | Components   | For the year 2024-2025<br>(Rs. in crore) | For the year 2025-2026<br>(Rs. in crore) | For the year 2026-2027<br>(Rs. in crore) | Total (Rs. in crore) |
|---------|--|--|--|--|----------------------|
| 1.      | Mapping of wetlands characterization and bathymetric survey of Ramsar sites by Tamil Nadu Unmanned Aerial Vehicles Corporation | 2.00                                     | 4.18                                     | --                                       | 6.18                 |
| 2.      | Integrated Management Plan for Ramsar Sites  | 0.20                                     | 0.20                                     | --                                       | 0.40                 |
| 3.      | Announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister for Forest for Integrated Development of Ramsar sites                                | --                                       | 15.46                                    | --                                       | 15.46                |
|         | <b>Total</b>   | <b>2.20</b>                              | <b>19.84</b>                             | --                                       | <b>22.04</b>         |

**B. Non-Core Activities**

| Sl. No. | Components   | For the year 2024-2025<br>(Rs. in crore) | For the year 2025-2026<br>(Rs. in crore) | For the year 2026-2027<br>(Rs. in crore) | Total (Rs. in crore) |
|---------|--|--|--|--|----------------------|
| 1.      | PTT establishment (Remuneration of experts and staff on contractual basis (10% escalation per year) and other administrative charges | 1.00                                     | 1.21                                     | --                                       | 2.21                 |
| 2.      | Research and project study by the reputed State, National and International Agencies   | 0.30                                     | 0.60                                     | --                                       | 0.90                 |
| 3.      | a) Awareness Generation Programme<br>b) Convening meetings and workshops   | 0.25<br>0.25                             | 0.25<br>0.25                             | --<br>--                                 | 0.50<br>0.50         |
| 4.      | Contingencies  | 0.25                                     | 0.20                                     | --                                       | 0.45                 |
|         | <b>Total</b>   | <b>2.05</b>                              | <b>2.51</b>                              | --                                       | <b>4.56</b>          |

4. The amount sanctioned in para 3 above shall be debited under following head of account :-

“2406 – Forestry and Wildlife – 01 Forestry – 001  
Direction and Administration – State’s  
Expenditure – AA – General Direction – 309 –  
Grants in Aid – 03 – Grants for Specific  
Schemes.”

IFHRMS DPC : 2406-01-001-AA-30903

5. Necessary additional funds of Rs.4,25,00,000/- will be provided in RE / FMA 2024-2025. Pending provision of such funds, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Wetlands Authority is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in

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para 3 above. However, this expenditure shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by Specific Inclusion in the Supplementary Estimate 2024-2025. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Wetlands Authority is also directed to include this item of expenditure while sending the proposal for RE / FMA 2024-2025 and also send draft explanatory note for inclusion of the expenditure in the Supplementary Estimate 2024-2025 to Government in Finance (ECC&F/BG-I) Department without fail.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O No.1411/2024, dated 09.10.2024 and ASL No.1068 (One thousand and sixty eight) (IFHRMS ASL No.2024101068).

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**P. SENTHILKUMAR  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests  
(Head of Forest Force), Chennai-32.

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Member Secretary,  
Tamil Nadu State Wetland Authority, Chennai-15.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-9.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35.

The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

Copy to :

The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister  
(Finance and Environment, Climate Change), Chennai-9.

The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Forests),  
Chennai-9.

Finance (AH&F/BG-I/BG-II/W&M-I) Department, Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary to Government,  
Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department,  
Chennai-9.

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//FORWARDED / BY ORDER//

*21/10/2024*  
**(R. VIVEKANANDAN)**  
**UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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*21/10/24*