

**Abstract** 

Agriculture Department – Agricultural Engineering – Construction of new office buildings for the offices of the Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) at Tirunelveli during 2014-15 at a cost of Rs.74.45 lakhs – Sanction – Orders – Issued.

## Agriculture (AE.1) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.13

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## Read:

1. Announcement made by Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture on the Floor of the Assembly on 31.07.2014.

2. From the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) Letter No. SC5/23208/2014, Dated 01.07.2014 and 07.10.2014

## **ORDER:**

The Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture has made the following announcement on the floor of the Assembly on 31.07.2014.

"To facilitate the farmers to reap the benefits of Agricultural Engineering Department schemes, a new building would be constructed at the cost of Rs.82.50 lakhs".

- 2. In the letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, as per the announcement made by the Hon'ble Minister of Agriculture, the Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has submitted a proposal for construction of a New Office building of the Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) offices at Tirunelveli at cost of Rs.74.45 lakhs.
- 3. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has informed that the offices of the Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and the Divisional Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) office of Agricultural Engineering Department at Tirunelveli are functioning from the years 1999 and 1980 respectively.
- 4. The office of the Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli has totally 16 numbers of staff as tabulated below:-

S.No.	Details of staff	Nos.
1	Superintending Engineer (AE)	1
2	Assistant Executive Engineer (AE)	1
3	Assistant Engineer (AE) / Junior Engineer (AE)	2
4	Senior Draughting Officer	1
5	Superintendent	1
6	Steno Typist	1
7	Assistant	2
8	Junior Assistant	2
9	Typist	1
10	Jeep Driver	1
11	Office Assistant	2
12	Watchman	1
	Total	16

5. The Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli is controlling three district level offices viz., Assistant Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli, Thoothukudi and Nagercoil. The office of the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli has totally 15 numbers of staff as tabulated below:-

SI.No.	Details of the staff	Nos.
- 1	Executive Engineer (AE)	1
2	Assistant Engineer (AE)/	2
	Junior Engineer (AE)	
3	Draughting Officer	1
4	Geologist	1
5	Superintendent	1
6	Steno Typist	1
7	Assistant	3
8	Junior Assistant	2
9	Typist	1
10	Jeep Driver	1
11	Office Assistant	1
	Total	15

6. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has also informed that the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli is controlling four Sub Divisional Offices viz. Assistant Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli, Cheranmadevi, Tenkasi and Government Tractor Workshop, Tirunelveli. The Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli are functioning at Tirunelveli in rental buildings since 1999 and 1980 respectively. The average rent incurred for the above two offices put together in the last 5 years is Rs.2.06 lakhs per annum.

- 7. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has further informed that in G.O.(Ms)No.773, Revenue Department, dated 25.5.1985, land has been allotted to the Agricultural Engineering Department in Kulavanigarpuram village, Palayamkottai Taluk in S.F.No.718/3B for an extent of 2849 sq.m. Therefore, it is proposed to construct a new office building for Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli in the land allotted to Agricultural Engineering Department. As per approved space norms of Public works Department for Government staff at various cadre, the required space for the staff of above said offices and arrived as 176.50 Sq. meters respectively in Ground Floor and First Floor. The total estimated cost for the proposed new building for the said offices are arrived to Rs.74.45 lakhs during the year 2014-15 as per the Rough Cost Estimate of the Superintendending Engineer, PWD Buildings C&M Circle, Tirunelveli.
- 8. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) has, therefore, requested the Government to accord necessary sanction for a sum of Rs.74.45 lakhs for construction of new office buildings for the offices of Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), and the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) at Tirunelveli during 2014-15.
- 9. The Government after careful examination, accept the above proposal and accord sanction for a sum of Rs.74.45 lakhs (Rupees Seventy four lakhs and forty five thousand only) towards the construction of new office buildings for the offices of Superintending Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) and the Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) at Tirunelveli.
- 10. The expenditure sanctioned in para 9 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-

"4401-00-capital outlay on Crop Husbandry – 113 - Agricultural Engineering Schemes in the Twelfth Five Year Plan – II State Plan – JD – Construction of Buildings – Agriculture Engineering – 16 Major Works"

(DPC 4401-00-113-JD-1600)

11. The expenditure sanctioned in para 9 above constitutes an item of "New Instrument of Service". The approval of Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature the expenditure shall initially be met from an advance drawn from the contingency fund. Order regarding this will be issued separately in Finance (BG.I) Department. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is requested to apply for sanction an advance from contingency fund for the amount actually required for this Financial Year in the prescribed preforma along with the copy of this order to Government in Finance (BG.I) Department and to send necessary note for Supplementary Estimate for inclusion of the Expenditure in the Final Supplementary for 2014-15 without fail.

- 12. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 9 above and to incur the expenditure after following the usual codal procedures as per orders in force.
- 13. The Chief Engineer (Agricultural Engineering) is also instructed to send a detailed report to Government indicating the utilization of the amount sanctioned in para 9 above.
- 14. This order issues with the concurrence of the Public Works Department vide its U.O.No.21517/ Y2 / 2014-1, Dated 10.09.2014 and Finance Department U.O.No.876/ Agriculture/ 2015, Dated 13.01.2015 and ASL No.2156 (Two thousand one hundred and fifty six)

//By Order of the Governor//

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The Executive Engineer (Agricultural Engineering), Tirunelveli.

The Pay and Accounts Officer (South)

Chennai-35.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Tirunelveli.

The Treasury / Sub-Treasury Officers, Tirunelveli.

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The Principal Private Secretary to Agricultural Production Commissioner and Secretary to Government, Chennai-9.

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The Agriculture (OP3 / B&P) Department.

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G.Shanthi Under Secretary to Government