



## ABSTRACT

Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board – Establishment of Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Fund in Public Account – Administrative Order – Issued.

### ENVIRONMENT AND FOREST (FR V) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(D) No.39

Dated: 10.02.2014

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2045

Read:

1. G.O.(Ms.) No.38, Environment and Forests Department, dated 29.4.2008.
2. From the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board letter No.TNBB/254/2013, dated 12.7.2013.

### ORDER:-

Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board was constituted under section 22 of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002 (Central Act 18 of 2003) in the G.O. first read above.

2. In letter second read above, the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board has stated that the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board was established with effect from 29.4.2008 under Section 22 of the Biological Diversity Act 2002 (Central Act 18 of 2003). As per Section 22 (3) of the said Act, the Board shall be a body corporate by the name aforesaid, having perpetual succession and a common seal, with power to acquire, hold and dispose of property, both movable and immovable, and to contract, and shall by the said name sue and be sued. The Board is an autonomous, statutory, corporate body functioning under the control of Department of Environment and Forests.

3. The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board has further stated that, as per section 31 of the said Act, the State Government may, after due appropriation made by the State Legislature by Law in this behalf, pay to the State Biodiversity Board by way of grants or loans such sums of money as the State Government may think fit for being utilized for the purposes of this Act. As per section 32 (1) of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002, there shall be constituted a Fund to be called the "State Biodiversity Fund" and there shall be credited thereto:-

- a) any grants and loans made to the State Biodiversity Board under section 31;
- b) any grants or loans made by the National Biodiversity Authority;
- c) all sums received by the State Biodiversity Board from such other sources as may be decided upon by the State Government.

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(2) The State Biodiversity Fund shall be applied for:-

- (a) The management and conservation of heritage sites;
- (b) Compensating or rehabilitating any section of the people economically affected by notification under sub-section (1) of section 37;
- (c) Conservation and promotion of biological resources;
- (d) Socio-economic development of areas from where such biological resources or knowledge associated thereto has been accessed subject to any order made under section 24, in consultation with the local bodies concerned;
- (e) Meeting the expenses incurred for the purposes authorized by this Act

4. The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board has therefore requested the Government for allotting separate Sub Head of Account for Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board for creation and operation of State Biodiversity Fund by way of grants or loans and such sums of money as the State Government may think fit for being utilized for the purpose of the Biological Diversity Act, 2002.

5. The Government after careful examination has decided to establish Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Fund. Accordingly, the Government direct that "Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Fund" be established in public account with provision of Rs. 1,000/- (Rupees One thousand only) in the supplementary Estimates 2013-2014.

6. The expenditure towards opening of Fund account and sanctioned in para 5 above and further transfer to fund if any shall be debited to the following new head of account to be opened under Demand No. 54 HoD.01.

- 2406 - Forestry and Wildlife
  - 02 - Environmental Forestry and Wildlife
  - 797 - Transfer to the Reserve Fund / Deposit Account
  - AA - Amount - Transferred to the Tamil Nadu State Biodiversity Fund.
  - 30 - Inter - Account Transfer
- (DPC 2406 - 02 - 797 - AA - 3004)

and contra credited to the following new fund account opened under Demand No. 54 HoD.01.

- J. Reserve Funds not bearing Interest
  - 8229 - 00 Development and Welfare Funds
  - 200 - Other Development and Welfare Funds
  - BC - Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Fund.
- (DPC 8229 - 00 - 200 - BC - 000A) Receipts  
(DPC 8229 - 00 - 200 - BC - 0000) Outgo



7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is the Estimating, Reconciling and Controlling Authority for the above new head of accounts.

8. The Pay and Accounts Officers / Treasury Officers concerned is requested to open the above said head of accounts in their books.

9. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests is requested to send necessary proposals for required amount for Direct inclusion in Final Supplementary Estimates 2013-2014.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O. No.65596/Fin(AH&F)/2013, dated 06.02.2014 and Additional Sanction Ledger No. 2461 (Two thousand four hundred and sixty one)

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

MOHAN VERGHESE CHUNKATH  
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests ,(Head of Forest Force), Chennai – 15.  
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Chennai – 15.  
The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu Biodiversity, Chennai-15.  
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-35.  
The Principal Accountant General, Chennai – 18.  
The Accountant General (A&E), Chennai-18.  
The Pay and Accounts Officers / Treasury Officers concerned  
The Resident Audit Officer,  
O/o/ Principal Accountant General, (General and Social Sector Audit),  
Tamil Nadu Secretariat, Chennai – 9.

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/FORWARDED BY ORDER/

(K. RENGARAJAN)  
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