



ABSTRACT

Forests – Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board - Biodiversity Management Committees (BMC) functioning in Local Bodies – Appointment of Secretary and Nodal Officer of Biodiversity Management Committee – Orders issued.

ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (FR.5) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No. 10

Dated: 30.01.2020

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2051

Read:

1. G.O. (Ms) No.137, Environment and Forests (FR.5) Department, dated: 09.11.2017.
2. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden Letter No.WL4/37326/2016, dated: 28.05.2018 and 01.10.2019.

ORDER:-

In the Government Order 1st read above, the Government have notified the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Rules, 2017. As per rule 20 of Tamil Nadu Biological diversity Rules, 2017, 1049 Biodiversity Management Committees have been formed in the State of Tamil Nadu (385 Rural Biodiversity Management Committees + 664 Urban Biodiversity Management Committees). Rule 20 (9) and (10) of the above said rules state as follows:-

- 1) The Government, on the recommendation of the Board shall designate an officer as the Secretary of the Biodiversity Management Committee.
- 2) The Government, on the recommendation of the Board may designate nodal officer for each District to oversee the various matters of the Biodiversity Management Committees (BMC) within the District.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden has sent the proposal for appointing the District Forest Officer / Wildlife Warden of each District as nodal officer at the District level. The nodal officer shall oversee the various matters of the Biodiversity Management Committees within the District. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden has stated that the proposal has been placed before the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board during their 7th meeting held on 03.01.2019. He has also sent the proposal for designating the Block Development Officers in 385 blocks of rural local bodies as the Secretary of the Biodiversity Management Committees based on the decision taken during the 8th meeting of the Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board held on 18.09.2019.

(P.T.O.)

3. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden designate the District Forest Officers / Wildlife Wardens in each District as nodal officers to oversee the various matters of the Biodiversity Management Committees within the District as per rule 20 (10) and designate the Block Development Officers of 385 Blocks in rural local bodies as the Secretary of the rural Block level Biodiversity Management Committees as per Rule 20 (9) of the Tamil Nadu Biological Diversity Rules, 2017. In respect of Urban Local Bodies, orders will be issued separately.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SHAMBHU KALLOLIKAR
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden, Chennai – 15.
The Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and Secretary,
Tamil Nadu Biodiversity Board, Chennai-100.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-35. (Through the Principal
Chief Conservator of Forests and Chief Wildlife Warden)
The Resident Audit Officer, Chennai – 9.

Copy to:-

The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Forests), Chennai-9.
The Private Secretary to the Principal Secretary to Government,
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