



ABSTRACT

Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department - Urban Local Bodies - Taxes and dues - Lock down due to Novel Corona Virus (Covid 19) - Deferment of payment for three months till 30.06.2020 - Order - Issued.

Municipal Administration and Water Supply (MA.IV) Department

G.O. (D) No.141

Dated: 23.04.2020 (திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2051 சார்வரி, சித்திரை 10)

Read:

- From Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Chennai Letter. Roc.No.1092/2020/R1, dated 30.03.2020.
- From the Commissioner of Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai Letter R.D.C.No.G1/1847/2020, dated: 30.03.2020.
- From the Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai Letter Roc.No.6783/2018/C5, dated: 30.03.2020.

ORDER:-

The Hon'ble Chief Minister in the Press Note No.037, dated:31.03.2020 has announced that the time limit for the paying property tax and water tax is extended upto 3 months. (i.e.30.06.2020)

"உள்ளாட்சி அமைப்புகளுக்கு மக்கள் செலுத்த வேண்டிய சொத்துவரி, குடிநீர் கட்டணம் போன்றவை செலுத்துவதற்கான கால அவகாசம் 3 மாதங்களுக்கு (30.06.2020வரை) நீட்டிக்கப்படுகிறது"

2. The Commissioner of Municipal Administration in his proposal dated: 30.03.2020, has stated that as per the provisions laid down in the (i) the Chennai City Municipal Corporation. Act, 1919, (ii) the Madurai City Municipal Corporation Act, 1971, (iii) the Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation Act, 1981 and (iv) the Tamil Nadu District Municipalities Act, 1920, the Municipal Corporations, the Municipalities and Town Panchayats are empowered to take coercive actions such as, issue of notice and distraint of property and prosecution, if the tax payer is failed to remit the taxes within the current financial year. Further, in the Chennai City Municipal Corporation Act, there

is a provision for levy of penal interest for the belated payment of property tax beyond the current financial year. Likewise, the Municipal Corporations, Municipalities and Town Panchayats are levying penal interest and disconnecting the water supply and sewerage connections if the user is failed to remit the charges before the end of the current financial year as prescribed in the bye-laws.

- 3. The Commissioner of Municipal Administration has further stated that the current financial year comes to an end on 31.03.2020. For the belated payment of all taxes, charges and dues to the Municipal Corporations, Municipalities and Town Panchayats, they are empowered to collect penal interest from the defaulters. Apart from that, the D&O trade license has to be renewed before March, 2020 for the next financial year 2020-21.
- 4. The Commissioner of Municipal Administration has informed that in view of the lock down due to COVID-19, the Government of India and the Government of Tamil Nadu have announced various relief measures for the loss of income and livelihood of the people and the Reserve Bank of India has also announced various relief including deferment of payment of loan dues for 3 months. Apart from that, there are large numbers of representations from various sections of the society, to defer the payment of taxes and dues of the Urban Local Bodies up to March 2020 for 3 months till 30.06.2020, without levying any penalty.
- 5. The Commissioner of Municipal Administration has requested the Government to issue necessary orders to defer the payment of taxes and dues to the Urban Local Bodies (All Corporations including Greater Chennai Corporation, Municipalities and Town Panchayats) arising up to March 2020 and the renewal of D&O Trade License for 3 months till 30.06.2020, without levying any penalty in view of COVID-19.
- 6. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of Commissioner of Municipal Administration, hereby order's to defer the payment of taxes and dues to the Urban Local Bodies (All Corporations including Greater Chennai Corporation, Municipalities and Town Panchayats) and also the renewal of D&O Trade License arising up to March 2020 for 3 months till 30.06.2020, without levying any penalty in view of COVID-19.
- 7. This order issued with concurrence of Finance Department vide its U.O.No.15067/2020, dated 22.04.2020.

(By Order of the Governor)

HARMANDER SINGH ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

The Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Chennai-28.
The Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai –28.
The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation, Chennai-3.
The Commissioners of all Corporations / Municipalities
(through the Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Chennai-28)

The Executive Officers of Town Panchayats
(through the Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai-600 028.
The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board Chennai – 05.

The Managing Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board Chennai.

All Regional Director of Municipal Administration.
(through Commissioner of Municipal Administration)
All Assistant Director of Town Panchayats.
(through Director of Town Panchayats)

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The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-09.

The Senior Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister for MA&RD, Imp. Spl. Prog., Chennai -09.

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