

ABSTRACT

Forests - Announcement - Tamil Nadu Digital Forest - Digitization of various activities of the Tamil Nadu Forest Department - Sanction of unspent amount of Rs.32.62 lakh to implement the scheme of Digitization of Forests under end to end computerization during the Financial Year 2024-2025 - Orders - Issued.

Environment, Climate Change and Forests (FR.13) Department

G.O.(Ms.) No. 46

Dated: 04.03.2025 குரோதி – மாசி 20,

திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு -2056

Read:

1. G.O(Ms) No.7, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.14) Department, Dated. 06.01.2022.

2. G.O.(Ms)No.105, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.14) Department, Dated. 23.06.2022.

3. G.O(Ms) No.279, Environment, Climate Change and Forest (FR.14) Department, Dated. 12.12.2022.

4. From the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Ref.No.MIS/799/2022, Dated. 08.01.2025 and 19.02.2025.

ORDER:

The Government accorded administrative approval for the implementation of "Tamil Nadu Digital Forest - Digitization of various activities of the Tamil Nadu Forest Department" in the Government Order first read above, with a financial outlay of Rs.33.10 crore for the years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023, as well as financial sanction for a sum of Rs.6.10 crore for the year 2021-2022. The following are the project's components:

SI. No.	Items of Work	Sanctioned for the year (Rs. in Lakh)		
,		2021-2022	2022-2023	
1.	DGPS Survey of Forest blocks to prepare necessary geo database with boundary details	10	1500	
2.	End-to-End Computerization of Tamil Nadu Forest Department	100	500	
3.	Strengthening IT infrastructure	500	700	
1.10	TOTAL	610	2700	

- 2. In Government Order second read above, the Government have authorized the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests to utilize a sum of Rs.12,17,662/- (out of the sanctioned amount of Rs.1,00,00,000/- under the component of "End-to-End Computerization" for the year 2021-2022) towards the development and integration of "Online Employee Transfer Portal for Tamil Nadu Forest Department" during the year 2022-2023.
- 3. In Government Order third read above, the Government have released a sum of Rs.5,87,82,338/- (Rupees Five crore eighty seven lakh eighty two thousand three hundred and thirty eight only) i.e. Rs.1,00,00,000/- Rs.12,17,662/-) = Rs.87,82,338/- (being the unspent balance of the year 2021-2022) + Rs.5,00,00,000/- (pertaining to the year 2022-2023) under the component of "End-to-End Computerization" during the year 2022-2023.
- 4. In the letters fourth read above the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force) has stated that out of the amount of Rs.5,87,82,338 sanctioned in the Government Order third read above, an amount of Rs.19.51 lakh has been spent and balance amount is Rs.568.32 lakh and also stated that in view of subsequent developments and further action that PMU will be set up at Forest department, TNeGA has initiated the closure of end-end computerization file. They also informed that they need new project request with the scope of work covering the list of modules and detailed functionalities to provide the budget requirement. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests has therefore requested to revalidate the amount of Rs.32.62 lakh for the year 2024-2025 and the amount of Rs.272.00 lakh for the year 2025-2026.
- 5. The Government after careful examination, accept the request of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests and to revalidate and release a sum of Rs.32.62 lakh under the component of "End-to-End Computerization" during the year 2024-2025, for the following works under the above said component:

SI No	Work Particular	Sanctioned amount	Expenditure in 2022-23 and 2023-24 (Rs in lakh)	Amount Sanctioned and revalidated for the year 2024-2025 (Rs in lakh)		
1.	Setting up of PMU	82.35	0.67	3.00		
Software Development Cost						
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2.	modules (including 1 year of free warranty post Go-lives)	273.84	0	25.00		
6.	Tender Charges @ 1.5 lakh for Software Development	1.50	0	1.50		
Hardv	vare Operation & Maintenance Cost					
per ye	ear (after post Go-Live) Miscellaneous expenditure related to					
14.	digitalization and contingences	33.6	0	3.12		
	Total	391.29	0.67	32.62		

6. The expenditure sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited to the following head of account

"2406 Forestry and Wildlife - 01 Forestry-101 Forest Conservation, Development and Regeneration - State's Expenditure - JF DGPS Survey of notified Forest Areas of Tamil Nadu - 309 Grants-in-Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes.

(DP Code: 2406 01 101 JF 30903)"

- 7. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Chennai-32 is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para 5 above.
- 8. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its e-file.No.741127/Finance (Environment, Climate Change and Forests Department) / 2024, Dated. 28.08.2024.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

SUPRIYA SAHU ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Chennai – 32.
The Principal Accountant General, Chennai – 18.
The Pay Accounts Officer, Chennai -9.

Copy to:-

The Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Environment, Climate Change and Forest Department, Chennai-9. Stock File / Spare Copy.

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Section Officer (2) 2025