

## **ABSTRACT**

Welfare of Differently Abled Persons – Free travel concession to workers and students-75% concession to all categories of differently abled persons- scheme continuance for the year 2013-14 – Amount sanctioned-Orders- Issued.

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Welfare of Differently Abled Persons (DAP 2.2) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.16

Dated:20-03-2014 விஜய, பங்குனி **6**, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு **2045** Read:-

- 1. G.O.(Ms) No.233, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department, dated 03-12-2007.
- 2. G.O.(Ms) No.153, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department, dated 29-10-2008.
- 3. G.O.(Ms) No.96, Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department, dated 20-07-2012
- 4. G.O.(Ms) No.04, Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department, dated 23-01-2013.
- 5. Principal Secretary / State Commissioner for the Differently Abled letter No.3778/OPP-1/2013, dated 13.09.2013.
- 6. G.O.(Ms) No.15, Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department, dated 20-03-2014.

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## **ORDER:**

In the Government Order first read above, the Government have issued orders for 75% concessions to differently abled persons(persons with visually impaired) and differently abled persons (locomotor) in State Corporation Buses for four trips in a year. Subsequently, in the second order read above, Government have issued orders for 75% concessions to all categories of differently abled persons in State Corporation Buses without any restriction like number of trips.

- 2. In the Government Order third read above, Government have accorded sanction for an amount of Rs.2,00,76,000/- towards providing free travel concession to all categories of children with disabilities attending Early Intervention Centers and Pre-school along with an escort accompanying these children to travel without fare in the State Transport Corporation for the year 2012-13.
- 3. In the Government Order fourth read above, Government have issued orders for the continuance of the scheme for the financial year 2012-2013 and sanction was accorded for a sum of Rs.17,47,35,359/- to reimburse / settle the bills of State Transport Corporation for providing 75% travel concession to all categories of Differently Abled Persons and free bus passes issued to the Differently Abled students and workers for the year 2011-12.
- 4. The Principal Secretary /State Commissioner for the Differently Abled has stated that, the Managing Directors of Tamil Nadu State Transport Corporations have sent their claims for various free passes issued to differently abled persons during 2012-2013 and payable in the year 2013-2014 and also, Tamil Nadu State Transport

Corporation's district wise claims for 75% concessions given to all categories of differently abled persons during the year 2012-13 and payable in the year 2013-2014. All together, the total amount required is Rs.27,06,32,346 /- for which, the Principal Secretary/State Commissioner for the Differently Abled has requested to accord sanction during the financial year 2013-14.

- 5. Meanwhile, in the Government Order sixth read above, the Government have accorded sanction an amount of Rs.8,34,93,442/- towards settlement of pending transport bills in this connection, for the year 2009-10 and 2010-11, as requested by the Principal Secretary/ State Commissioner for the Differently Abled.
- 6. The Government, after careful examination of the proposal of State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, alongwith the Government Order issued in the sixth read above, to accord continuance of the said scheme for the financial year 2013-2014 and to sanction for a sum of Rs.6,65,06,558/- (Rupees Six crores sixty five lakhs six thousand five hundred and fifty eight only) towards reimbursement/settlement of the bills of State Transport Corporation for providing 75% travel concession to all categories of differently abled persons and free Bus passes issued to the differently abled students and workers for the year 2012-13.
- 7. The amount sanctioned in para 5 above shall be debited under the following head of account:-
  - "2235 Social Security and Welfare 02 Social Welfare 101 Welfare of Differently Abled Persons I Non Plan BG Travel Concession to Differently Abled Persons. 42. Service or Commitment charges."

(D.P. C 2235-02-101-BG-4206)

- 8. The State Commissioner for the Differently Abled is authorized to receive the sanctioned amount in para 6 above and to disburse the same to the transport corporations concerned. Further, a specific certificate may also be obtained from them, regarding the reimbursement of claim was made by following the guidelines/instructions issued in the G.O.(Ms) No.233, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme Department, dated 03-12-2007.
- 9. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O. No.14771/Fin(SW)/14, dated 18.03.2014.

(By Order of the Governor)

P. Sivasankaran, Secretary to Government.

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The State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, Chennai-78

All District Collectors (through State Commissioner for the Differently Abled)

All District Differently Abled Welfare Officers (through State Commissioner for the Differently Abled )

All Managing Directors Transport Corporation (through State Commissioner for the Differently Abled )

The Accountant General, Chennai-18.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-35.

## Copy to:-

The Transport Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Finance (BG-II/Social Welfare) Department, Chennai-9. SF/SC.

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Section Officer.