ABSTRACT

Welfare of Differently Abled Persons – Maintenance Allowance Scheme- Persons affected with Muscular Dystrophy- Enhancement of maintenance allowance from Rs.1000/- to Rs.1500/- per month from the financial year 2014-15 – sanction of funds Rs.1,29,78,000/- - Orders- Issued.

Welfare of Differently Abled Persons (DAP 2.1) Department

G.O.(Ms) No.85 Dated:19-12-2014

Read:
2. G.O.(Ms) No.01, Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department, dated 21-01-2014.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued to delegate the powers to the Principal Secretary/ State Commissioner for the Differently Abled to incur expenditure under four categories of maintenance allowance schemes (viz) Maintenance Allowance of Mentally Retarded persons, Maintenance Allowance of Severely Affected persons, Maintenance Allowance to Persons affected with Muscular Dystrophy and Maintenance Allowance to Leprosy affected persons within the budget provision. Besides, the State Commissioner for the Differently Abled is also permitted to send proposals, if additional beneficiaries are identified subsequently, in the month of September and February.

2. In the Government Order second read above, orders were issued to accord sanction for a sum of Rs.1,68,000/- (for the newly identified 56 beneficiaries for the year 2013-14 for three months from January 2014 to March 2014 under the scheme of providing maintenance allowance to the Persons Affected With Muscular Dystrophy.

3. During the Budget Presentation for the year 2014-15, among the other things, the Hon’ble Minister (Finance and PWD) has made an announcement that the existing maintenance allowance be given to the persons affected with Mental Retardation, Severely Affected persons and persons affected with Muscular Dystrophy at the rate of
Rs.1000/- will be enhanced to Rs.1500/- per month. This assistance will be enhanced from the financial year (i.e) 1.4.2014.

4. In order to implement the above announcement of Hon’ble Minister (Finance & PWD) in the references third read above, the State Commissioner for the Differently Abled has sent a proposal seeking orders for enhancement of maintenance allowance given to the persons affected with Muscular Dystrophy as from Rs.1000/- to Rs.1500/- per month and to accord sanction, for the enhanced amount of Rs.500/- to 1743 existing beneficiaries for 12 months and also, maintenance allowance of Rs.1500/- to 140 additional beneficiaries identified during February 2014 for 12 months and thereby to sanction the total amount of Rs.1,29,78,000/- for the year 2014-15.

5. The Government, after careful examination, accept the proposal of the State Commissioner for the Differently Abled and hereby enhance the maintenance allowance given to the persons affected with Muscular Dystrophy from Rs.1000/- to Rs.1500/- per month for the financial year 2014-15 (i.e) with effect from 1.4.2014 and consequently, accord sanction for the total sum of Rs.1,29,78,000/- (Rupees one crore twenty nine lakhs and seventy eight thousand only) to provide maintenance allowance to 1883 number of beneficiaries for 12 months, under the scheme as follows:-

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<th>Sl. No.</th>
<th>Category of beneficiaries</th>
<th>No. of beneficiaries</th>
<th>Balance enhanced amount / enhanced amount (per month)</th>
<th>Amount sanctioned (12 months)</th>
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<td>1.</td>
<td>Existing beneficiaries</td>
<td>1743</td>
<td>Rs.500/- (balance enhance amount)</td>
<td>Rs.1,04,58,000/- (1743 Nos x Rs.500/- x 12 months)</td>
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<td>2.</td>
<td>Additional beneficiaries identified during February 2014</td>
<td>140</td>
<td>Rs.1500/- (per month)</td>
<td>Rs.25,20,000/- (140 Nos x Rs.1500/- x 12 months)</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>1883</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Rs.1,29,78,000/-</strong></td>
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6. The expenditure sanctioned at para 4 above shall be debited under the following Head of Account:-


(DPC:2235 02 101 CM 0930)

7. The expenditure sanctioned in para-5 above shall constitute an item of “New Instrument of Service” and the approval of the Legislature shall be obtained in due
course of time by an inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2014-15. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure shall initially be met by drawl of an advance from the Contingency Fund. Orders regarding this will be issued by the Finance (BG I) Department separately. The State Commissioner for the Differently Abled is requested to apply to the Government in Finance (BG-I) Department in prescribed format along with a copy of this order for sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The State Commissioner for the Differently Abled is also requested to send necessary draft explanatory notes for inclusion of the above expenditure in the Supplementary Estimates for the year 2014-15 to Finance (SW) Department without fail.

8. This order is issued with the concurrence of the Finance department vide its U.O.No.68855/Fin(SW)/2014, dated 17.12.2014 and Additional Sanction Ledger No.1806 (One thousand eight hundred and six).

(By Order of the Governor)

P. Sivasankaran,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To
The State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, Chennai-78.
The Accounts and General, Chennai -18.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai – 35.
All District Differently Abled Welfare Officers (Through the State Commissioner for the Differently Abled, Chennai-78.)

Copy to:
The Hon’ble Chief Minister Office, Chennai-9.
The Senior Personnel Assistant to Minister( Social Welfare), Chennai-9.
The Private Secretary to Principal Secretary, Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department, Chennai-9.
The Finance(SW/BG-I, BG-II) Department, Chennai-9.
SC/SF.

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