



### **ABSTRACT**

Disaster Management – COVID -19 - Sanction of funds under SDRF to the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration for providing accommodation and Food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for a further period from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020 - Orders – Issued

**Revenue and Disaster Management Department,**  
**Disaster Management Wing, D.M.II section**

**G.O.(MS)No.536**

**Dated 29.09.2020**

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2051

**Read:**

1. From the Commissioner, Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department letter No. 2535/2020/S13/ FSSA dated: 21.07.2020.
2. From the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Letter No. OCI / 563 /2020, dated 13.08.2020.
3. The Commissioner, Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department letter No. 2535/2020/S13/ FSSA, dated: 14.08.2020
4. The Commissioner, Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department letter No. 2535/2020/S13/ FSSA, dated: 25.08.2020
5. From the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration letter No. OCI/563/2020, dated 28.08.2020.
6. Government Letter No.20326/DM2/2020-1, Revenue and Disaster Management Department, dated: 08.09.2020.
7. The Commissioner, Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department letter No. 2535/2020/S13/ FSSA, dated: 10.09.2020.
8. The Commissioner, Tamil Nadu Food Safety and Drug Administration Department letter No. 2535/2020/S13/FSSA, dated: 11.09.2020.
9. From the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration, Letter No.OCI/563/2020, dated 16.9.2020.
10. G.O.(Ms) No.357, Finance (BG.I) Department, dated 29.09.2020.

**ORDER:**

In the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division) Lr.No.33-4/2020/NDM-1, dated 14.3.2020, it has been informed that the Central Government keeping in view of the spread of COVID-19 Virus in India and the declaration of COVID-19 a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO), by way of a special onetime dispensation, has decided to treat it as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF. The list of norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 in India, eligible from SDRF has also been communicated by Government of India vide it's Letter Nos. 33-4/2020 - NDM-I Dated: 14.03.2020 and 28.03.2020. The Government of Tamil Nadu vide its Notification No.118 dated 14.03.2020, (G.O.Ms.No.95, Health and Family Welfare (P1) Department, dated 13.3.2020) have declared that Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) as a notified disease in the State of Tamil Nadu.

2. Earlier, the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration has sent a proposal sent for sanction of Rs.36,07,87,743/- to the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration for providing accommodation and Food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for 27 days from 05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020 has been examined by Government.

3. In this regard, it is pointed out that the funds are being sought at the same ceiling rate of Rs.2,500/- per day per doctor and Rs.1,500/- per day per nurse and that these rates were provided as indicative ceiling rate and it is unlikely that the rate would be the same for Chennai City and for small centres. Further, it is pointed out that as ascertained from the Additional Director, FSDA Department the rates vary from district to district and the actual requirements is much lower. Accordingly the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has been requested to examine the above points and send the following details to the Government.

- i. To obtain the actual requirement for July, 2020.
- ii. To ascertain the spill over amounts from sanctions in April, May and June 2020, and
- iii. Sanction issued for July, 2020 and, if possible, August 2020 based on actuals.

4. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration has stated that the Designated Officers have submitted the compiled proposal for funds based on the fund proposals provided

by the Dean of Medical College and Joint Director Medical Services at concerned Districts with the approval of District Collector. Based on these proposals, funds have been requested and sanctioned by the Government from SDRF as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	G.O in which sanctioned	Period	Fund Sanctioned (in Rs.)	Expenditure (in Rs.)	Balance (in Rs.)
1.	G.O. (Ms) No. 208, dated: 24.04.2020	24.04.2020 to 20.05.2020	15,00,00,000	15,00,00,000	NIL
2.	G.O (Ms) No. 276, dated: 06.06.2020	21.05.2020 to 04.06.2020	11,51,17,730	11,51,17,730	NIL
3.	G.O (Ms) No 328, dated: 03.07.2020	05.06.2020 to 04.07.2020	40,08,75,298	39,03,47,748 (on 13.08.2020)	1,05,27,550 (as on 13.08.2020)

The funds have been distributed to all the districts as per their proposal for demand. But due to the unexpected increase or decrease in the COVID cases, 21 Number of Districts had total balance of Rs.5,63,59,913/- on 04.07.2020. As the process of provision of Food and Accommodation is continued, those Districts continue to utilize the balance funds. He has stated that the balance is Rs.1,05,27,550/- as on 13.08.2020.

5. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has also stated that the Commissioner of Food Safety and Drug Administration had stated that since all districts have been continuing the services of Food and Accommodation without fund from 05.07.2020 to till date on credit basis and as it will be difficult for all the 31 districts to continue the services without any fund further, he had requested to sanction Rs.78,92,46,110/- to carry out the activity for 27 days from 05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020. In continuation to this, necessary proposal was sent to the Government for sanction of Rs.36,07,87,743/- to the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration for providing accommodation and Food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for 27 days from 05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020.

6. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has further stated that accordingly, the details were sought from the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration and he has sent a detailed report district-wise/ month-wise and



requested to sanction a total sum of Rs.129,73,07,648/- towards provision of accommodation and food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020 as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Tentative requirement submitted for the period from 05.07.2020 to 02.09.2020.	Actual Expenditure for the period from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020	Difference
1.	Rs.173,11,92,344/-	<b>Rs.129,73,07,648/-</b>	Rs.43,38,84,696/-

The report of the Commissioner of Food Safety and Drug Administration is summarized as detailed below:-

**i. Actual Requirement for July 2020**

Previously the tentative requirement has been calculated based on the proposals given by Deans, Joint Directors Medical and Rural Health Services and case load and arrived as Rs.78,92,46,110/- (after deducting the spill over from previous sanctions) for the period from 05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020. Now, the actual expenditure is arrived as Rs.59,01,61,856/- (after deducting the spill over from the previous sanctions). The actual requirement is short of Rs.19,90,84,254/-

**ii. Spill over amount from previous sanction:**

The balance amount from the previous sanction is arrived as Rs.5,63,59,913/- as on 04.07.2020. The amount is deducted from the actual expenditure to calculate the required amount for the period 05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020.

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3.	G.O (Ms) No 328, dated: 03.07.2020	05.06.2020 to 04.07.2020	40,08,75,298	34,45,15,385	5,63,59,913 (as on 05.07.2020)

**iii. Sanction issued for July, 2020 and August 2020.**

No fund has been sanctioned towards this activity for the month of July (05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020) and August and detailed verification has been carried out by the Food Safety and Drug Administration Department and the rates for which food and accommodation were scrutinized. Negotiations were done with Food Business operators. Except Corporations and certain districts, the expenditure towards the food and accommodations is reduced below the ceiling rate of Rs.2500 per day per doctor and Rs.1500 per day per Nurse as fixed by the Government. The abstract is given below:-

Sl. No.	Month	Amount Required (in Rs.)
1.	July, 2020 (05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020)	<b>Rs.59,01,61,856/-</b> (after deducting the spill over from the previous sanctioned amount)
2.	August, 2020	<b>Rs.70,71,45,792/-</b> (after deducting the spill over from the previous sanctioned amount)
	<b>Total</b>	<b>Rs.129,73,07,648/-</b>

The Commissioner of Food Safety and Drug Administration has, therefore, requested to sanction a sum of Rs.129,73,07,648/- towards provision of accommodation and food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for a further period from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020 after deducting the balance amount available with the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Month	Actual Expenditure	Balance Available	Amount now sought for {Col.3 (-) Col.4} (Required (in Rs.))
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
1.	July, 2020 (05.07.2020 to 31.07.2020)	64,65,21,769/-	5,63,59,913/-	Rs.59,01,61,856/-
2.	August, 2020	71,25,24,942/-	53,79,150/-	Rs.70,71,45,792/-
	<b>Total</b>	<b>135,90,46,711</b>	<b>61,73,9063</b>	<b>Rs.129,73,07,648/-</b>

The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has requested that an amount of Rs.129,73,07,648/- may be sanctioned to the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration for providing accommodation and Food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for a further period from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020.

7. The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration and based on the approval of State Executive Committee accord sanction an amount of Rs.129,73,07,648/- (Rupees One hundred and twenty nine crore seventy three lakh seven thousand six hundred and forty eight only) from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) to the Commissioner, Food Safety and Drug Administration for providing accommodation and Food to Doctors, Staff Nurses, and other Paramedical Staffs working in isolation wards of Government institutions for a further period from 05.07.2020 to 31.08.2020.

8. The above expenditure sanctioned in Para 7 above shall be debited to the following head of account :-

**2245 Relief on Account of Natural Calamities 80 General -  
800 other expenditure State's Expenditure - AH Disaster  
Preparedness /Preventive measures to contain the  
outbreak of Corona Virus (Covid 19) - 309 Grants-in-Aid -  
09 Others**

**(Old DPC 2245 80 800 AH 0998)**

**(IFHRMS DPC 2245 80 800 AH 30909)**

9. The Additional Chief Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration is authorized to draw and disburse the amount.

10. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its UO.No.32974/2020, dated:23.09.2020.

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**ATULYA MISRA  
ADDITIONAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**