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Abstract

Disaster Management Department – Streamlining the functioning of State Emergency Operations Centre (SEOC) of Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) – orders issued.

DISASTER MANAGEMENT (REVENUE - K) DEPARTMENT

G.O (Rt) No. 2167/2016/DMD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 19 March, 2016

Read:-

1. GO (P) No. 58/2010/H.Edn dated 27-03-2010
2. GO (Rt) No. 2267/2011/DMD dated 20-04-2011
3. GO (Rt) No. 5042/2011/DMD dated 05-11-2011
4. GO (Rt) No. 1344/2012/DMD dated 08-03-2012
5. GO (Rt) No. 1941/2012/DMD dated 31-03-2012
6. GO (Ms) No. 207/2012/DMD dated 19-05-2012
7. GO (P) No. 110/13/Fin dated 01-03-2013
8. GO (Ms) No. 204/2013/DMD dated 18-05-2013
9. Minutes of the meeting of the State Executive Committee of Kerala State Disaster Management Authority dated 18-02-2016

ORDER

The State Emergency Operations Centre (SEOC) of Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) was created as per Government Order read as 2nd paper above as envisaged in the Kerala State Disaster Management Policy, 2010, under the control of Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management. The State Executive Committee (SEC) of KSDMA in its meeting held on 18-02-2016, vide powers vested on it under Section 69 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (Central Act 53 of 2005), have decided to streamline the functioning of SEOC for ensuring operational, administrative and financial freedom for effective disaster management.

(2) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to order as follows:

- I. The financial powers of the State Executive Committee for undertaking disaster preparedness, response and mitigation as envisaged vide the Disaster Management Act, 2005 is hereby delegated to Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management within the financial limits (presently Rs. 1 crore) of administrative department approved as per GO read as 7th paper above (and all modifications thereof from time to time) for matters related to plan/non-plan funds of KSDMA, SEOC, State Disaster Response Fund, State Disaster Mitigation Fund and other Government of India grants and project funds received for Disaster Management Authority.
- II. State Emergency Operations Centre (SEOC) of Kerala State Disaster Management Authority (KSDMA) will directly be under the administrative and supervisory control of Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management.

- III. The State Executive Committee will hereafter directly control the administrative and financial functions of SEOC through Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue & Disaster Management. The Research and Management Council of SEOC constituted vide 5th paper is hereby abolished.
- IV. The post of Associate Professor of ILDM created as per GO read as 6th paper and made permanent as per Government Order read as 8th paper is permanently re-designated as Head, State Emergency Operations Centre (SEOC), without affecting the terms of service, salary, promotion norms and other emoluments for Associate Professor/Professor in the state service as approved as per 1st paper and all revisions thereof from time to time, vide powers vested on State Executive Committee under Section 69 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and the Government under Section 16 of the Disaster Management Act 2005 and Section 9 of the Kerala State Disaster Management Rules, 2007.
- V. Head, SEOC shall draw his salary and all other emoluments from the administrative funds of KSDMA (Plan or Non-plan depending on availability of funds) with effect from 1st April 2016. The Head, SEOC shall be under Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management who shall be the approving authority of the Annual Assessment Report and the controlling officer for making entries in the service book of Head, SEOC. The appeal authority shall be Chairman, State Executive Committee and Chairman, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority.
- VI. Administrative and financial responsibilities of SEOC assigned to Director, ILDM vide 3rd paper is transferred to Head, SEOC with immediate effect. The post of Head, SEOC is designated as Head of the Department in the Government for all administrative and financial purposes.
- VII. The bank account, SB No. 33031314643 of SEOC, shall be made a joint account of Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management and Head, SEOC. Head, SEOC shall take all necessary steps to ensure that SEOC functions as an independent office.
- VIII. The Head, SEOC is delegated financial powers for the following:
 - (a) Salary/wages and other emoluments of the staff as approved vide relevant Government Orders or with the approval of Additional Chief Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management
 - (b) Maintenance and fueling expenses of the vehicles
 - (c) Travel and travel allowances of the staff

- (d) Rolling contingency of Rs. 20,000/- as approved vide GO read as 4th paper above from the project funds of SEOC
- (e) Communication charges – Internet, Mobile Phone charges, Telephone charges, Fax etc.
- (f) Routine maintenance of office, furniture, IT infrastructure, replacement of furniture, IT equipment & stationery and other financial powers of the Heads of Departments of Group 1 departments as per GO read as 7th paper above and all modification thereof from time to time
- (g) For all other financial matters, specific approvals shall be sought from the SEC, KSDMA or the Government. In the case of Plan Funds, approval of Departmental Working Group shall be sought.

(3) The above decisions do not cause any additional financial burden to the Government.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Deputy Secretary

To

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The Director, Institute of Land and Disaster Management, PTP Nagar, Thiruvananthapuram,
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The Accountant General (A&E) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram
The District Treasury Officer, District Treasury, Thiruvananthapuram
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