

## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

#### Abstract

Local Self Government Department - EMS Housing Scheme- EMS Total Housing Fund Rules- Orders Issued.

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# LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (DB) DEPARTMENT

G.O (M.S) No.142 /2009 /LSGD

Thiruvananthapuram, dt: 23/7/2009

Read: - 1, Circular No. 192/DB1/09/LSGD dtd. 1/1/2009

Decision No.A (2) of State Level Co-ordination Committee on Decentralization.

### ORDER

As per Circular read as 1st paper above Government have approved the detailed guidelines for implementing EMS Housing Scheme for providing house sites /houses to landless /houseless people in the state.

As per the decision of the State Level Co-ordination Committee meeting held on 29/12/08 Government set up a committee to prepare EMS Total Housing Fund Rules for accepting contribution from the public and organizations. The draft rule prepared by the committee has been examined and Government are pleased to approve EMS Total Housing Fund Rules as appended to this order.

By Order of the Governor Annamma Daniel Additional Secretary

All Secretaries / President of Grama Fanchayat

All Secretaries/Presidents of Block Panchayats

All Secretaries/Presidents of District Panchayats

All Secretaries/Mayor's of Corporations

The Secretary, Finance Department

The Principal Secretary, Revenue Department

The Secretary, Planning & Economic Affairs

The Secretary, Co-operative Department

The Member Secretary , State Planning Board . Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Panchayat, Thiruvananthapuram

The Commissioner for Rural Development, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Urban Affairs, Thiruvananthapuram

Director of Municipal Administration , Thiruvananthapuram

The Commissioner & Secretary, Kerala State Housing Board

The Director, Kerala Institute of Local Administration

The Executive Director, Kudumbasree

The Executive Chairman & Director, Information Kerala Mission.

The Accountant General (A&E/Audit) Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram

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# E.M.S Total Housing Fund Rules

These Rules shall be called E.M.S Total Housing Fund Rules and shall come into force from the date of publication.

- 1. Name of the Fund: The fund constituted under these rules shall be known as E.M.S Total Housing Fund.
- 2. Object of the Fund: The fund is constituted for raising money which shall be used for augmenting the resources of the Village Panchayats/Urban Local Bodies for implementing the E.M.S Total Housing Scheme as per the directions issued by Government from time to time.
- 3. Constitution of the Fund: The fund shall be constituted out of the contributions received from Non-resident Indians, their organisations, Non-Government organisations, Philanthropic individuals and organisations, Charitable organisations, Financial institutions and other organisations and companies.
- 4. <u>Keeping the Fund:</u> The amount raised towards the fund shall be kept in an interest bearing special Treasury Savings Bank Account opened for the purpose in the District Treasury, Thiruvananthapuram in the name of the Chairman and Convenor of the Managing Committee of the fund.
- Management of the Fund: The fund shall be managed by a committee consisting of
  - 1. Minister for Local Administration (Chairman)
  - 2. Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department (Convenor)
  - 3. Secretary, Local Self Government Department
  - 4. Secretary, Finance Department (Expenditure)
  - 5. Executive Director, Kudumbasree
  - 6. Director of Panchayats
  - 7. Director of Urban Affairs
  - 8. Commissioner for Rural Development

The Committee shall act in accordance with the directions of Local Self Government Department.

- 6. Mode of Contribution: Contribution to the fund shall be made either directly to the fund account or through the Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department who will issue receipts in the prescribed form of the contributions received.
- 7. Controller of the Fund; Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department shall be the Controller of the fund.
- 8. <u>Disbursements from the Funds</u>: The accumulation in the fund shall be distributed to the Village Panchayats/Urban Local Governments to augment the resources of such Local Governments who are unable to attain the targets of providing houses under the E.M.S Total Housing Scheme utilising the fund raised by them. Funds shall be allocated as per a formula.
- 9. Application for assistance from the Funds: The Grama Panchayats/Urban Local Bodies which desires to seek assistance from the fund shall apply to the Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department in the prescribed form as and when such applications are called for by the Managing Committee.
- 10. Eligibility for assistance: Village Panchayats/Urban Local Government which have not set apart funds as per the orders issued by Government and have not availed the loan facilities as envisaged under the E.M.S Total Housing Scheme shall not be eligible for assistance from the fund.
- 11. <u>Disbursement of the Fund</u>: The Principal Secretary shall place before the Committee the applications received from the Village Panchayts/ Urban Local Governments with his recommendations after conducting such enquiries as is deemed fit. The Committee shall decide by as per approved means the amount to be granted as assistance to the Village Panchayats/Urban Local Governments. The Village Panchayats/Urban Local Governments shall credit the amount in own fund account and utilise it only for the purpose of construction of houses/purchase of land under the scheme.
- 12. <u>Utilisation of the Fund</u>: The Village Panchayats/Urban Local Governments shall utilise the fund for the construction of the houses/purchase of land under the scheme and furnish utilisation certificate to the Managing Committee within the period prescribed.

- 13. Keeping of Accounts: The Principal Secretary, Local Self Government Department or the officer authorised by him for the purpose shall maintain the accounts of the fund in the manner approved by the Managing Committee.
- 14. Annual Report and Accounts: The controller shall prepare and place before the Managing Committee every year before 31st of July an annual report on the administration of the fund along with the audited accounts and audit certificate.
- 15. Audit of the Accounts: The Accounts of the fund shall be audited by the Accountant General. Annual accounts of the fund prepared by the Controller shall be sent to the auditor before 30th of April and the Auditor shall be requested to return the audited accounts with his certificate before 15th of July.
- 16. Publication of the report: The report place before the Managing Committee as approved by it shall be published in he website of Local Self Government Department as soon as such approval. All decisions, resolutions and minutes of the Managing Committee shall be public documents and shall be published in the website of Local Self Government. Department.
- 17. <u>Duration of the Fund</u>: The duration of the fund shall be ten years from the date of its constitution through an official notification by Government. The period shall be extended or cut short on the decision of the Managing Committee through a notification by the Government. On the closing of the fund any amount lying at the Treasury Savings Bank Account shall be utilised as decided by Government.