

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government – Payment of water charges to Kerala Water Authority by Local Self Governments – Guidelines for payment of water charges by Local Governments in respect of Public Water Supply Schemes – Orders issued.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (FM) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt) No. 2242/2011/LSGD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28.09.2011.

Read:- 1. G.O.(Ms) 330/11/LSGD dated: 09.12.2004.

- 2. G.O.(Rt) No. 1501/2011/LSGD dated: 23.06.06.
- Minutes of the meeting held on 16.09.2011 to discuss the public water taps

 joint verification.

ORDER

In compliance to the Government Order cited second, as part of the procedure prescribed for the payment of water charges of public water taps by the LSGIs, a joint inspection by Local Self Government Institutions and KWA authorities was suggested to ascertain the exact number of public water taps. But many of the LSGIs complained that this could not be carried out due to non-co-operation of the concerned officials. Therefore a meeting was held on 16.09.2011 in the Local Self Government Department to discuss further actions on the matter.

As per the decisions of this meeting the following are ordered to comply by the concerned.

- The Local Self Government Institutions (LSGIs) which have already completed joint inspections will have to clear arrears immediately, as per Government Order cited second.
- Other Local Self Government Institutions where no joint inspection was conducted may give in writing within two weeks requesting KWA to conduct the joint inspection and KWA may conduct joint inspection within a week. The LSGIs may mark a copy of their request to the Director concerned as well.
- 3 KWA may report to Director of Panchayats / Director of Urban Affairs the lists of LSGIs where the joint inspection was requested for and is completed within a month with copies of jointly signed documents.
- 4 The Director of Panchayats / Director of Urban Affairs may report the list of LSGIs - which applies for Joint Inspection, which got joint inspection done and which didn't get joint inspection done though request was made.

- 5 The new Local Self Government Institutions where joint inspection have been done will be clubbed with LSGIs in (1) above. Local Self Government Institutions which didn't request for joint inspection also will be treated at par with Local Self Government Institutions in (1) above. Local Self Government Institutions which requested joint inspection but no joint inspection was done will be exempted from cutting the water charges from their General Purpose / Maintenance (Non-road) fund.
- 6 For discussing and finding solution to any further dispute / grievances on this matter, a committee consisted with Director of Urban Affairs / Director of Panchayats / Managing Director, Kerala Water Authority is hereby constituted. Director of Panchayats will be the convener. They will meet as and when a dispute / grievance is to be discussed by any member of this committee.

(By Order of the Governor,)

JAMES VARGHESE,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Director of Panchayats, Thiruvananthapuram. (to inform all Panchayats)

The Director of Urban Affairs, Thiruvananthapuram.

(to inform all Corporations / Municipalities).

The Commissioner for Rural Development,

Thiruvananthapuram. (to inform all Block Panchayats)

The Managing Director, Kerala Water Authority, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Executive Chairman & Director, Information Kerala Mission,

Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director, Local Fund Audit, Thiruvananthapuram.

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Section Officer.