



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government – Panchayat Department – Orders dated 11/05/2015 in OA No. 661/2015 filed by Sri.J.Rajendrakumar and others before the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal - Complied with - Orders issued.

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (EPA) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.3164/2015/LSGD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26/10/2015

Read : 1. Orders dated 11/05/2015 in OA No. 661/2015 filed by Sri. J Rajendrakumar and others before the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal.
2. Government letter No. 340/EPA1/2015/LSGD dated 09.10.2015.

ORDER

By disposing OA No. 661/2015 filed by Sri. J Rajendrakumar and others the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal directed the first respondent (Government) to consider and pass orders on Annexures A8 and A9 in accordance with law, after affording an opportunity of being heard to Applicants 1 and 2, within three months from the date of receipt of a copy of the Order.

Annexure A8 and Annexure A9 are the representations submitted on behalf of Kerala Panchayat Secretaries Association & Kerala Panchayat Department Ministerial Staff Association requesting to upgrade 520 posts of Head Clerk in the Panchayat Department as Junior Superintendent so as to manage the affairs of the economically viable Panchayats more effectively and efficiently, in tune with the recommendation of the 4th Pay Revision Commission.

Pursuant to the Hon'ble Tribunal's direction, the applicants were heard on 11.06.2015. The main contention put forth by the Applicants is that eventhough standardisation, in accordance with the 4th Pay Revision Commission was implemented in Clerk – Senior Clerk Posts in Panchayath Department, the same has not yet been implemented in the Supervisory Cadre and that the financial commitment involved in this conversion will be a meagre amount. Moreover they stated that 864 Assistant Secretary posts which are newly created are to carry out duties related for implementing MNREGS, Projects in SC/ST areas, to act as member secretary of Kudumbashree, distribution of social welfare pensions etc, which are not supervisory in nature.

The issue prevailing in Gramapanchayats is the shortage of clerical posts and will be solved once computerisation is completed. So upgradation of posts will not hold much good to lessen the work load of Gramapanchayats. Moreover consequent to the upgradation, creation of new posts in 520 Gramapanchayats will become necessary. This involves financial implication. Even the 30000 posts identified by Government as excess were not deployed till date. Government have examined the matter in its true perspective and have ~~observed~~ ^{observed} that creation of new posts will adversely affect the financial position of the State. Hence the request for upgradation of 520 posts of Head Clerks into Junior Superintendents in Gramapanchayats is hereby declined.

Orders of the Hon'ble Kerala Administrative Tribunal read above is complied with accordingly.

(By Order of the Governor)

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Under Secretary to Government

To

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3. Smt Anu Alex, Head Clerk, District Panchayat, Thiruvananthapuram - 695004
4. The Director of Panchayats, Thiruvananthapuram
5. The Advocate General, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram Branch (with covering letter).
6. Finance Department
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