



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Local Self Government Department - Committee to examine the composition of the members of the General Body, the Governing Body, and the Executive Committee of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Social Audit Society - Constituted - Judgment of the Hon'ble High Court dated 01.08.2025 in WP(C) No.713/2020 complied with - Orders issued

LOCAL SELF GOVERNMENT (DD) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.197/2025/LSGD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 30-10-2025

Read: Judgment dated 01.08.2025 of Hon'ble High Court in WP(C) 713/2020 filed by Adv. George Pulikuthiyil

ORDER

The Hon'ble High Court had disposed the WP(C) No.713/2020 filed by Adv. George Pulikuthiyil, as per the Judgment read above, with the following direction;

"(i) The Chief Secretary of the State, within four weeks from today, will constitute a committee comprising the Chief Secretary, the Principal Accountant General, the Director of the Social Audit Unit, and two persons who have worked in the field of transparency and public accountability related to social audit;

(ii) This Committee will examine the composition of the members of the General Body, the Governing Body, and the Executive Committee of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Social Audit Society, in light of the principles enumerated in this judgment, and take a reasoned decision as to whether the existing composition of the Social Audit Society requires a change, and thereafter, the Chief Secretary will issue necessary orders;

(iii) The reasoned decision taken by the Chief Secretary be notified and published on the website of the State Government along with the report of the Committee within a period of three months from the constitution of the Committee as above.

(iv) As regards the challenge, the decision to be taken, if any, is kept open."

2) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to constitute a Committee, in compliance with the Judgment, to examine the

composition of the members of the General Body, the Governing Body, and the Executive Committee of Mahatma Gandhi NREGA Social Audit Society, in light of the principles enumerated in the Judgment read above, with the following composition:-

- 1.Chief Secretary - Chairperson
- 2.Principal Accountant General - Member
- 3.Director of Social Audit Unit, Thiruvananthapuram - Member
- 4.Dr. B.S. Thirumeni IAS (Rtd.), Chairman, MGNREGS Ombudspersons' State Appellate Authority - Member
- 5.Dr. Jaya Sankar Prasad, Director, Centre For Management Development, Kerala - Member

3) The first direction of the Hon'ble High Court in the Judgment read above is complied with accordingly.

(By order of the Governor)
TINKU BISWAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:

The Chief Secretary, Kerala

The Principal Accountant General, Thiruvananthapuram

Director, Social Audit Society, Thiruvananthapuram .

Dr. B.S. Thirumeni IAS (Rtd.), Chairman, Ombudspersons' State Appellate Authority, Thiruvananthapuram

Dr. Jaya Sankar Prasad, Director, Centre For Management Development, Kerala

Advocate General, Kerala (with C/L)

Mission Director, MGNREGS State Mission , Thiruvananthapuram

The Accountant General (A&E), Thiruvananthapuram

The Director, Information Kerala Mission, Thiruvananthapuram.

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