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Local Administration (Dist. Admn. Spl. Cell) Department

## NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) 216/90/LAD. Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th December, 1990.

**S. R. O. No. 1744/90.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980), the Government of Kerala hereby appoint the 26th day of December, 1990 as the date on which section 44 and First Schedule of the said Act shall come into force in the whole State of Kerala.

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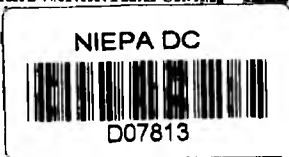
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### Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Under sub-section (3) of section 1 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980) the provisions of the said Act shall come into force on such date as the Government may by notification in the Gazette, appoint. It has been decided that section 44 and First Schedule to the said Act be brought into force on the 26th day of December, 1990.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.

### GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

#### Local Administration (Dist. Admn. Spl. Cell) Department

#### NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) 217/90/LAD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th December, 1990.

**S. R. O. No. 1745/90.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 44 and section 75 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules namely:—

#### RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Kerala District Councils (Conditions and restrictions of powers and functions) Rules, 1990.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Definitions.*—In these rules unless the context otherwise requires,—

(1) 'Act' means the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980).

(2) Words and expressions used but not defined in these rules, but defined in the Act shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

3. *Vesting of powers enumerated in the First Schedule of the Act.*—As soon as may be, after the commencement of the Act, Government may by notification under sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Act notify that all or any of the matters enumerated in the first schedule of the Act shall vest with the district councils for its administration with effect from such date as may be specified in the notification:

Provided that different dates may be specified for each matter enumerated in the said schedule or for different subjects comprised in such matter.

4. *Effect of notification under sub-section (1) of section 44.*—On the date as so specified in the notification, the administration of a district in respect of the matters or the subjects comprised in any such matters enumerated in the notification mentioned under rule 3 shall vest with the district council and the district council shall administer the same subject to such conditions and restrictions as may be specified in the notification and also in these rules:

Provided that Government may for administrative reasons extent the date specified in the notification.

5. *Conditions and restrictions.*—The district council shall administer the matters vested in them under sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Act subject to the following conditions and restrictions, namely:—

(1). *Administration of land revenue.*—

(a) The district council shall maintain all the revenue records now maintained in the Village offices and Taluk offices of the district except the revenue records in connection with the collection of land revenue, the records that are considered by the Government as having public importance and the records that are exclusively maintained by the Government under any law for the time being in force;

(b) Save as otherwise expressly provided in these rules, in all matters relating to maintenance of revenue records by the district council the provisions of the Revenue Code, other departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Revenue Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply;

(c) If any question arises as to whether any revenue record is to be maintained by the district council or not, or any provision in the Revenue Code or other departmental manual is applicable to the district council or not, the question shall be decided by the Government and their decision shall be final.

(2) *Irrigation.*—

(a) The functions of the district councils under Irrigation are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) Development and maintenance of minor irrigation work benefiting upto two hundred acres (80 hectre, 93 are and 70 sq. mts.) of land;

(ii) Development and maintenance of lift irrigation;

(iii) Installation of community pumpsets;

(iv) Renovation and maintenance of disused community tanks;

(v) Management and proper use of water (other than water from project for irrigation and Command Area Development);

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this item ‘project’ means an irrigation work irrigating or useful for drainage or protection of lands in more than one district;

(vi) Construction and maintenance of irrigation works other than major irrigation works;

*Explanation.*—For the purpose of this item ‘major irrigation work’ means an irrigation work irrigating or useful for the drainage or protection of an extent of over two hundred hectares of land;

(vii) Development of proper drainage in paddy fields;

(viii) Construction of wells for irrigation.

(b) The provisions in the Travancore-Cochin Irrigation Act, 1956 (VII of 1956), the Travancore-Cochin Irrigation Tanks (Preservation and Improvement) Act, 1952 (XXIII of 1952), the Madras Irrigation Tanks (Improvement) Act, 1949, the Madras Irrigation Works (Repairs, improvements and construction) Act, 1943 (Madras Act XVIII of 1943), the Malabar Irrigation Works (Construction and levy of Cess) Act, 1947 (VII of 1947), the Madras Irrigation (Levy of Betterment Contribution) Act, 1955 (Madras Act III of 1955), the Kerala Irrigation Works (Execution by Joint Labour) Act, 1967 (XX of 1967) and all the rules made under the said enactments shall *mutatis mutandis* be applicable to all irrigation works of the district council.

(c) Save as otherwise expressly provided in these rules in all other matters, the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Irrigation Department of the Government shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(3) *Soil Conservation*,—

(a) The functions of the district council under Soil Conservation are with respect to the following matters, namely:

(i) Soil Conservation measures;

(ii) Land reclamation and land development work;

(iii) Watershed development and management works.

(b) In the matter of preparation and implementation of scheme of soil conservation, land reclamation, land development and water shed management, the district council shall exercise such of the powers that are expressly provided in the Kerala Land Development Act, 1964 (17 of 1964) and the rules made thereunder.

(c) No sum shall be expended by or on behalf of a district council in respect of any scheme under soil conservation unless such sum is included in the budget estimated under section 56 of the Act, and in force at the time of incurring the expenditure;

(d) Save as otherwise expressly provided in these rules in all matters, the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Agricultural Department of the Government shall *mutatis mutandis* apply:

(4) *Agriculture.*—

(a) The functions of the district council under Agriculture are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) Agricultural extension work in the district, subject to the technical control and guidance of the State Department of Agriculture, including promotion and popularisation of—

- (a) optimum utilisation of lands and appropriate cropping patterns;
- (b) improved varieties of seeds, seedlings and planting materials;
- (c) use of soil test data and adoption of optimum use of organic and inorganic fertilizers;
- (d) plant protection measures including control of pests and diseases and eradication of weeds; and
- (e) co-operative in the production (including supply of credit and inputs) and marketing of agricultural products.

(ii) Agricultural development work in the district subject to the technical control and guidance of the State Department of Agriculture including the following, namely:—

- (a) fixing of crop production targets in the district and implementing and promoting programmes to achieve the same;
- (b) procurement, multiplication and distribution of improved seeds which are approved by the State Government;
- (c) soil testing;
- (d) stocking, storing and distribution of plant protection chemicals;
- (e) organising community and group action on plant protection works;
- (f) organising community operations in the production of crops; and
- (g) supply and maintenance of agricultural equipments, pumpsets and improved implements.

(h) In all matters relating to the administration of Agriculture by the district council the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Agriculture Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(5) *Co-operation and Credit*,—

(a) The functions of the district council under Co-operation and credit are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

- (i) Supply of inputs to farmers through co-operative societies;
- (ii) Educating farmers on the principles of co-operation;
- (iii) Campaign for arrear collection of co-operative;
- (iv) Securing consumption loans for farmers;
- (v) Developing co-operative marketing societies;
- (vi) Deposit mobilisation drive; and
- (vii) Assisting weaker sections for getting credit from rural banks.

(b) The district council shall not be directly concerned with the establishment and management of co-operative institutions;

(c) The district council shall act as a catalytic in the field of co-operation.

(d) The district council may, at the request of any co-operative society in the district, render necessary assistance to such society in mobilisation of deposits and in collection of arrears. They may also prepare such schemes in consultation with the co-operative institutions in the district for the supply of inputs and loans to farmers.

(e) No sum shall be expended by the district council in respect of any scheme under co-operation and credit without the prior approval of the Government.

6. *Social Forestry*,—

(a) The functions of the district council under Social Forestry are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

- (i) organise campaign for tree planting;
- (ii) planting and maintenance of avenue trees;
- (iii) planting of cashew nut trees;
- (iv) raising and distribution of fuel wood;
- (v) cultivation of fodder and soft wood trees.

(b) All the matters under Social Forestry shall be administered by the district council subject to the technical control and guidance of the Forest Department.

(c) In all matters relating to the administration of Social Forestry by the district council the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Forest Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(7) *Animal Husbandry and Dairying*—

(a) The functions of the district council under Animal Husbandry and Dairying are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) establishment of Veterinary Hospitals, Dispensaries and other Institutions:

Provided that new Veterinary Hospitals, Dispensaries and other Institutions as decided by the Government alone shall be established by the district council;

- (ii) setting up of mobile diagnostic and clinical laboratories;
- (iii) breeding farms for cows and pigs;
- (iv) poultry farms, duck farms and goat farms;
- (v) development of poultry and distribution of improved poultry;
- (vi) establishment of food mixing plants;
- (vii) formation of milk co-operatives for procurement and distribution of milk and milk products;
- (viii) common cold storage facility for dairy, poultry and fishery products;
- (ix) fodder development programmes;
- (x) dairy extension service;
- (xi) establishment of chilling plants;
- (xii) propagation of cross-breed cow through artificial insemination;
- (xiii) recycling programme of cow dung and fodder in home steads;
- (xiv) popularisation of Gobar gas plants.

(b) All the matters under Animal Husbandry and Dairying shall be administered by the district council under the technical control and guidance of the concerned Department of the State Government.

(c) Subject to the technical control and guidance of Animal Husbandry Department, the district councils shall be responsible for the management of all veterinary hospitals, dispensaries, diagnostic clinical laboratories, breeding farms and other institutions transferred to it under sub-section (3) of Section 44 of the Act.

(d) New Veterinary Hospitals, Dispensaries and other Institutions as decided by the Government alone shall be established by the district council.

(e) In all matters relating to the administration of Animal Husbandry and Dairying the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Animal Husbandry Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(8) *Fisheries—*

(a) The functions of the district council under Fisheries are with respect to the following matters:—

- (i) development of pisciculture in private and community tanks;
- (ii) development of inland fisheries;
- (iii) fish curing and drying;
- (iv) organising fish marketing co-operatives;
- (v) extension of educational facilities to the fishermen by giving scholarships, stipends, boarding grants and other grants for the purchase of books and other accessories;
- (vi) organising nursery schools and libraries to eradicate illiteracy and impart general education;
- (vii) establishment of housing colonies;
- (viii) providing facilities such as drinking water, medical help, community halls and burial grounds to the families of fishermen;
- (ix) other welfare schemes for the up-lift and development of fishermen.

(b) The district council shall be responsible for management of welfare institutions for fishermen as well as the development and maintenance of infrastructure in fisheries villages and of inland fisheries and internal fish markets.

(c) In all matters relating to the administration of Fisheries by the district council the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Fisheries Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(9) *Household and Small scale Industries—*

(a) The functions of the district council under Household and Small scale Industries are with respect to the following matters, namely:

- (i) identification of traditional skills in the locality and developing household industries;



- (ii) assessment of raw material requirements so as to ensure timely supply;
- (iii) design and production to suit the changing consumer demand;
- (iv) organisation of training programme for craftsmen artisan;
- (v) liaison arrangements to top bank credit for this programme;
- (vi) marketing of finished products;
- (viii) popularising the use of such products;
- (viii) industrial estates;
- (ix) organising handloom, handicraft and village and cottage industries.

(b) All the matters under Household and Small scale Industries shall be administered by the district council under the technical control and guidance of the Industries Department of the Government.

(c) The district council shall have management over all the Small scale Handicrafts and Village and Cottage Industries in the district including Coir, Khadi and Handloom.

(d) They shall be responsible for the management of the Government industrial estates transferred to it under sub-section (3) of section 44.

(e) No new Industrial Estate shall be established by the district council without the prior permission of the Government.

(f) The district council shall be responsible to promote the establishment of marketing arrangements but shall have no right to invest money in marketing.

(g) In all matters relating to the administration of Household and Small scale Industries by the district council the provisions of the departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Industries Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(10) *Rural Roads and Inland Waterways,*

(a) The functions of the district council under Rural roads and Inland waterways are:—

- (i) construction and maintenance of roads other than National and State Highways and Inter-district roads;
- (ii) all bridges and culverts coming under roads other than National and State Highways and Inter-district roads;
- (iii) construction and maintenance of office buildings of the district council;

(iv) identification of major link roads connecting markets, educational institutions, health centres and link roads in coastal areas;

(v) organising voluntary surrender of lands for new roads and for widening the existing roads;

(vi) cleaning of village tanks and providing necessary outlets and bunding to prevent pollution.

(b) No sum shall be expended by or on behalf of the district council in respect of construction of new roads, bridges, culverts and office buildings of the district council unless such sum is included in the budget estimated under section 56 of the Act, and in force at the time of incurring the expenditure.

(c) Save as otherwise expressly provided in these rules, in all matters relating to the administration of Rural Roads and Inland Waterways by the district council, the provisions of Public Works Account Code, other departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Public Works Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(11) *Minimum Needs Programme.*

(a) The functions of the district councils under Minimum Needs Programme are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) rural drinking water facilities by constructing open draw wells;

(ii) steps to assure replenishment of basic life saving drugs in rural dispensaries and chemist shops;

(iii) cleaning up public wells;

(iv) renovating wells used by weaker section of society;

(v) to help organise nutrition programme by organising local contribution (fuel, utensils etc.);

(vi) identification of locally available food materials and popularising them.

(b) The Ayurvedic and Homeo medicines for the rural dispensaries under the management of the district councils shall be obtained from Kerala Pharmaceutical Corporation (I.M.), the Kerala State Homoeopathic Co-operative Pharmacy Ltd.

(12) *Health and Hygiene,*

(a) The functions of the district council under Health and Hygiene are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) establishment and maintenance of Hospitals, Primary Health Centres and Dispensaries except Medical College Hospitals, T.B. Sanatoriums, Leprosy Hospitals, Mental Hospitals and hospitals attached to Ayurveda, Homeo and Allopathy Colleges;

- (ii) vaccination campaign for cholera, T.B. etc.
- (iii) health education activities;
- (iv) maternity and child health activities;
- (v) family welfare activities;
- (vi) encourage voluntary blood donations;
- (vii) malaria and filaria eradication programmes;
- (viii) organising health camps;
- (ix) popularisation of ESP type latrine;
- (x) rural water supply—protected water supply as well as drinking water from wells;
- (xi) rural drainage and sewerage;
- (xii) measures against environment pollution.

(b) All the matters under Health and Hygiene shall be administered by the district council under the technical control and guidance of the concerned Department of the Government.

(c) The district council shall be responsible for the management of all Government Homeo, Allopathy and Ayurveda Hospitals, Dispensaries, Primary Health Centres and Public Health Laboratories in the district transferred to it under sub-section (3) of section 44 of the Act.

(d) The Allopathy Hospitals and Dispensaries managed by the district council shall obtain their medical supplies from the medical stores in the district. The medical stores in the district may continue to get the supply as arranged by the Director of Health Services.

(e) The Ayurvedic Hospitals and Dispensaries managed by the district council shall obtain medical supplies from Kerala Pharmaceutical Corporation (I.M.) (OUSHADI).

(f) The Homoeo Hospital and Dispensaries managed by the district council shall obtain medical supplies from the Kerala State Homoeopathic Co-operative Pharmacy Ltd., Alleppey. Medicines not supplies by the Co-operative Pharmacy may be obtained Centrally by the Director (Homoco) and made available to the Hospitals and Dispensaries.

(13) *Housing*

(a) The functions of the district council under Housing are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

- (i) identification of houseless families;
- (ii) implementation of house building programmes in the district under loan schemes of the Government;
- (iii) popularising various housing programmes of the Government;
- (iv) popularising low-cost housing.

(b) In implementing the house loan schemes of the Government, the district council shall observe all the conditions and restrictions laid down by the Government in such schemes.

(14) *Education*

(a) The functions of the district council under Education are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

- (i) management of Pre-primary, Primary, Basic and Secondary Government Schools exercising such powers as are prescribed in the Kerala Education Rules;
- (ii) Education extension work in the district involving promotion of non-formal education, adult education and prevention of drop-outs and Science and Technology in Schools;
- (iii) promotion of library movement in the district;
- (iv) distribution of scholarships to students under the various schemes of the Government.

(b) The management of all Government Pre-primary, Primary, Basic and Secondary Schools in a district shall be entrusted with the district council concerned and the district council shall exercise such powers of management as laid down in the Kerala Education Rules from time to time.

(c) The district council shall follow the procedure laid down by the Government from time to time in disbursing the scholarships to students under various schemes of the State Government.

(15) *Harijan Welfare*

(a) The functions of the district council under Harijan Welfare are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) extension of educational facilities to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward classes by giving scholarships, stipends, boarding grants and other grants for the purchase of books and other accessories;

(ii) running of hostels except post-metric and sports hostels for the benefit of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(iii) organising nursery schools, balawadis, night schools and libraries to eradicate illiteracy and impart general education;

(iv) conduct of model welfare centres and craft centres to train Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in cottage and rural industries;

(v) government residential basic schools for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(vi) establishment of housing colonies;

(vii) providing facilities such as drinking water, electricity, medical help, legal aid, community hall, burial grounds etc. to the families of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(viii) providing facilities for marketing of goods produced by members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(ix) organising co-operative societies of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(b) The district council shall not establish no new institution under any matter under Harijan Welfare without the prior sanction of the Government.

(c) Save as otherwise expressly provided in these rules in all matters relating to the administration of Harijan Welfare by the district council the provisions of all departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Department of Scheduled Castes Development and the Tribal Welfare Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(16) *Community Development*

(a) The functions of the district councils under community Development are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

(i) preparation and implementation of local area development programmes;

(ii) implementation of the integrated rural development programmes;

- (iii) implementation of the rural employment programmes;
- (iv) implementation of other programmes of District Rural Development Agencies;
- (v) local development works programme.

(b) The District Rural Development Agencies in the district shall be under the control of the district council.

(c) The members of the Development Standing Committee may be made members of governing bodies of the District Rural Development Agencies.

(d) All matters relating to the administration of Community Development by the district council, the provisions of all departmental manuals, standing orders or instructions as applicable to the Rural Development Department shall *mutatis mutandis* apply.

(17) *Social Reform Activities*

(a) The functions of the district council under Social Reform Activities are with respect to the following matters, namely:—

- (i) women's organisation and welfare;
- (ii) children's organisation except those coming under Central Juvenile Justice Act, 1986;
- (iii) local vagrancy relief;
- (iv) maintenance of public sector social welfare institutions such as poor homes, orphanages, rescue shelters etc. and control over private sector social welfare institutions;
- (v) sanctioning and distribution of pension for widows, old and physically disabled destitutes and allowances for unemployed and couples of inter-caste marriages in which one party is a member of a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe;
- (vi) campaign against superstition, casteism, untouchability, alcoholism, expensive marriages and social functions, dowry and conspicuous consumption;
- (vii) encouraging community marriages and inter-caste marriages;
- (viii) assistance for developing lands assigned to landless labourers;

- (ix) resumption of land alienated by tribals;
- (x) to identify, free and rehabilitate bonded labour;
- (xi) to organise cultural and recreation activities;
- (xii) encouragement of sports and games and construction of rural stadia;
- (xiii) to give new form and social content to traditional festivals;
- (xiv) verification of weights and measures in shopping establishments;
- (xv) identification of eligible couples to accept family welfare programme;
- (xvi) educating the mass on family welfare programme;
- (xvii) follow up of acceptors of family welfare programme with a view to sort out social and physiological problems if any.

(b) Subject to the guidance of the Social Welfare Department,—

(i) the district councils shall be responsible for the management of Government Social Welfare Institutions transferred to them under sub-section (3) of section 44 of the Act;

(ii) the district council shall be responsible for the formulation and implementation of programmes for the welfare and development of women and children including the integral child development scheme;

(iii) they shall be responsible for the disbursement of all social welfare pensions entrusted to them.

(18) *Local Resource Mobilisation*

The functions of the district council under Local Resource Mobilisation are with respect to the following matters, namely:-

- (i) promotion of saving habits;
- (ii) fight against usurious money lending practices and rural indebtedness.

6. *Power of Government to issue direction relating to policy.*—It shall be lawful for the Government under section 63 of the Act, to issue directions to the district councils in matters relating to State and National policies and such directions shall be binding on the district councils.

7. *Power of Government to issue directions regarding exercise of powers and functions by district councils.*—The Government may, from time to time by order in writing, under section 64 of the Act, issue to all or any of the district councils such directions as they may think necessary regarding the performance of functions, exercise of powers and discharge of duties in order to avoid any doubt or ambiguity as to the authority which shall perform, exercise or discharge such functions, powers and duties and such district councils or district council, as the case may be, shall be bound to comply with such directions.

By order of the Governor,  
N. V. MADHAVAN,  
*Secretary to Government.*

### Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Kerala District Administration Act 1979 (7 of 1980), provides that subject to the provisions of the Kerala District Administration Act and to such conditions and restrictions as may be prescribed, the administration of the district in respect of the matters enumerated in the First Schedule shall, with effect from such date as the Government may, by notification in the Gazette specify, be vested in the district council. Therefore it is necessary to make the rules for the conditions and restrictions of the matters delegated to the district council.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Local Administration (District Administration Special Cell) Department

#### NOTIFICATION

G.O. (P) 218/90 LAD.

*Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th December, 1990.*

**S. R. O. No. 1746/90.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980) read with rules 3 and 4 of the Kerala District Councils (Conditions and restrictions of powers and functions) Rules, 1990, the Government of Kerala hereby notify that the administration of a district in respect of the following subjects comprised in the matters enumerated in the First Schedule to the said Act shall, with effect from the 5th day of February, 1991, be vested in the



district councils constituted by notifications No. G.O. (P) 39/90/LAD dated the 5th March, 1990 and G.O. (P) 195/90/LAD dated the 30th November, 1990 namely:—

#### SUBJECTS

1. *Administration of land revenue.*—Maintenance of all revenue records now maintained in the Village offices and Taluk offices of the district except the revenue records in connection with the collection of land revenue, the records that are considered by the Government as having public importance and the records that are exclusively maintained by the Government under any law for the time being in force.

2. *Irrigation.*—(1) Development and maintenance of minor irrigation and lift irrigation benefiting upto two hundred acres of land (80 hectares 93 ares and 70 sq. metres).

(2) Installation of community pumpsets

(3) Renovation and maintenance of disused community tanks.

(4) Management and proper use of water (other than water from project for irrigation and Command Area Development).

*Explanation.*—For the purposes of this item, 'project' means an irrigation work irrigating or useful for drainage or protection of lands in more than one district.

(5) Construction and maintenance of irrigation works other than major irrigation works.

*Explanation.*—For the purpose of this item 'major irrigation work' means an irrigation work irrigating or useful for the drainage or protection of an extent of over two hundred hectares of land.

(6) Development of proper drainage in paddy fields.

(7) Construction of wells for irrigation.

3. *Soil Conservation.*—(1) Soil conservation measures.

(2) Land reclamation and land development works.

(3) Watershed development and management works.

4. *Agriculture.*—(1) Agricultural extension work in the district subject to the technical control and guidance of the State Department of Agriculture, including promotion and popularisation of—

(a) optimum utilisation of lands and appropriate cropping patterns;

- (b) improved varieties of seeds, seedlings and planting materials;
- (c) use of soil test data and adoption of optimum use of organic and inorganic fertilizers;
- (d) plant protection measures including control of pests and diseases and eradication of weeds; and
- (e) co-operative in the production (including supply of credit and inputs) and marketing of agricultural products.

(2) Agricultural development work in the district, subject to the technical control and guidance of the State Department of Agriculture including the following:

- (a) fixing of crop production targets in the district and implementing and promoting programmes to achieve the same;
- (b) procurement, multiplication and distribution of improved seeds which are approved by the State Government;
- (c) soil testing;
- (d) stocking, storing and distribution of plant protection chemicals;
- (e) organising community and group action on plant protection works;
- (f) organising community operations in the production of crops; and
- (g) supply and maintenance of agricultural equipments, pumpsets and improved implements.

5. *Co-operation and Credit*.—(1) Supply of inputs to farmers through co-operative societies.

- (2) Educating farmers on the principles of co-operation.
- (3) Campaign for arrear collection of co-operative.
- (4) Securing consumption loans for farmers
- (5) Developing co-operative marketing societies.
- (6) Deposit mobilisation drive.
- (7) Assisting weaker sections for getting credit from rural banks.

6. *Social Forestry*.—Subject to the technical control and supervision of the Forest Department,—

- (1) Organise campaign for tree planting.
- (2) Planting and maintenance of avenue trees.
- (3) Planting of cashewnut trees.
- (4) Raising and distribution of fuel wood.
- (5) Cultivation of fodder and soft wood trees.

7. *Animal Husbandry and Dairying*.—Subject to the technical and supervision of the concerned Department of the Government,—

(1) Establishment of Veterinary Hospitals, Dispensaries and other Institutions:

Provided that new Veterinary Hospitals, Dispensaries and other Institutions as decided by Government alone shall be established by the districts council.

- (2) Setting up of mobile diagnostic and clinical laboratories.
- (3) Breeding farms for cows and pigs.
- (4) Poultry farms, duck farms and goat farms.
- (5) Development of poultry and distribution of improved poultry.
- (6) Establishment of food mixing plants.
- (7) Formation of milk co-operatives for procurement and distribution of milk and milk products.
- (8) Common cold storage facility for dairy, poultry and fishery products.
- (9) Fodder development programmes.
- (10) Dairy extension service.
- (11) Establishment of chilling plants.
- (12) Propagation of cross-breed cow through artificial inseminations.
- (13) Recycling programme of cow dung and fodder in homesteads.
- (14) Popularisation of Gobar gas plants.

8. *Fisheries*.—(1) Development of pisciculture in private and community tanks.

- (2) Development of inland fisheries.
- (3) Fish curing and drying.
- (4) Organising fish marketing co-operatives.
- (5) Extension of educational facilities to the fishermen by giving scholarships, stipends, boarding grants and other grants for the purchase of books and other accessories.
- (6) Organising nursery schools and libraries to eradicate illiteracy and impart general education.
- (7) Establishment of Housing colonies.
- (8) Providing facilities such as drinking water, medical help, community halls and burial grounds to the families of fishermen.
- (9) Other welfare schemes for the uplift and development of fishermen.

9. *Household and Small Scale Industries*.—Subject to the technical and control and guidance of the concerned Department of the Government,—

- (1) Identification of traditional skills in the locality and developing household industries.
- (2) Assessment of raw material requirements so as to ensure timely supply.
- (3) Design and production to suit the changing consumer demand.
- (4) Organisation of training programme for craftsmen-artisan.
- (5) Liaison arrangements to top bank credit for this programme.
- (6) Marketing of finished products.
- (7) Popularising the use of such products.
- (8) Industrial Estates.
- (9) Organising Handloom, Handicrafts and Village and Cottage Industries including the management of cottage industries, village industries and small scale industries (including Khadi, Coir and Handloom).

10. *Rural Roads and Inland Waterways*.—(1) Construction and maintenance of roads other than National and State Highways and Inter-district roads.

- (2) All bridges and culverts coming under roads other than National and State Highways and Inter-district roads.
- (3) Construction and maintenance of office buildings of the district council.
- (4) Identification of major link roads connecting markets, educational institutions, health centres and link roads in coastal areas.
- (5) Organising voluntary surrender of lands for new roads and for widening of the existing roads.
- (6) Cleaning of village tanks and providing necessary outlets and bunding to prevent pollution.

11. *Minimum Needs Programme*.—(1) Rural drinking water facilities by constructing open draw wells.

- (2) Steps to assure replenishment of basic life saving drugs in rural dispensaries and chemist shops.
- (3) Cleaning up public wells.
- (4) Renovating wells used by weaker section of society.
- (5) To help organise nutrition programme by organising local contribution (fuel, utensils etc.).
- (6) Identification of locally available food materials and popularising them.

12. *Health and Hygiene*.—(1) Subject to the technical control and supervision of the concerned Department of the Government,—

- (1) Establishment and maintenance of Hospitals, Primary Health Centres and Dispensaries except Medical College Hospitals, T. B. Sanatoriums, Leprosy Hospitals, Mental Hospitals and hospitals attached to Ayurveda, Homeo and Allopathy Colleges.
- (2) Vaccination campaign for cholera, T.B. etc.
- (3) Health education activities
- (4) Maternity and child health activities
- (5) Family welfare activities
- (6) Encourage voluntary blood donations
- (7) Malaria and filaria eradication programmes
- (8) Organising health camps.
- (9) Popularisation of ESP type latrine
- (10) Rural water supply—protected water supply as well as drinking water from wells.
- (11) Rural drainage and sewerage
- (12) Measures against environment pollution.

13. *Housing*.—(1) Identification of houseless families.

- (2) Implementation of house building programmes in the district under loan schemes of the Government.
- (3) Popularising various housing programmes of the Government.
- (4) Popularising low-cost housing.

14. *Education*.—(1) Management of Pre-primary, Primary, Basic and Secondary Government schools exercising such powers as are prescribed in the Kerala Education Rules.

- (2) Education extension work in the district involving promotion of non-formal education, adult education and prevention of drop-outs and Science and Technology in schools.
- (3) Promotion of library movement in the district
- (4) Distribution of scholarships to students under the various schemes of the Government.

15. *Harijan Welfare*.—(1) Extension of educational facilities to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Backward class by giving scholarships, stipends, boarding grants and other grants for the purchase of books and other accessories.

- (2) Running of hostels except post-metric and sports hostels for the benefit of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

- (3) Organising nursery schools, balawadis, night schools and libraries to eradicate illiteracy and impart general education.
- (4) Conduct of model welfare centres and craft centres to train Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribes in cottage and rural industries.
- (5) Government Residential Basic schools for Scheduled Castes and Tribes.
- (6) Establishment of housing colonies.
- (7) Providing facilities such as drinking water, electricity, medical help, legal aid, community hall, burial grounds etc., to the families of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
- (8) Providing facilities for marketing of goods produced by members of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.
- (9) Organising co-operative societies of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

16. *Community Development.*—(1) Preparation and implementation of local area development programmes.

- (2) Implementation of the integrated rural development programmes.
- (3) Implementation of the rural employment programmes.
- (4) Implementation of other programmes of District Rural Development Agencies.
- (5) Local development works and programmes.

All the existing District Rural Development Agencies shall be under the control of the respective district councils.

17. *Social Reform Activities.*—(1) Women's organisation and welfare.

- (2) Children's organisation and welfare except those coming under the Central Juvenile Justice Act, 1986.
- (3) Local Vagrancy relief.
- (4) Maintenance of public sector social welfare institutions such as poor homes, orphanages, rescue shelters etc., and control over private sector social welfare institutions.
- (5) Sanctioning and distribution of pension for widows, old and physically disabled destitutes and allowances for unemployed, and couples of inter-caste marriages in which one party is a member of a Scheduled Caste or a Scheduled Tribe.
- (6) Campaign against superstition, casteism, untouchability, alcoholism, expensive marriages and social functions, dowry and conspicuous consumption.
- (7) Encouraging community marriages and inter-caste marriages.

- (8) Assistance for developing lands assigned to landless labourers.
- (9) Resumption of land alienated by tribals.
- (10) To identify, free and rehabilitate bonded labour.
- (11) To organise cultural and recreation activities.
- (12) Encouragement of sports and games and construction of rural stadia.
- (13) To give new form and social content to traditional festivals.
- (14) Verification of weights and measures in shopping establishments.
- (15) Identification of eligible couples to accept family welfare programme.
- (16) Educating the mass on family welfare programme.
- (17) Follow up of acceptors of family welfare programme with a view to sort out social and physiological problems if any.

18. *Local Resource Mobilisation.*—(1) Promotion of saving habits.

(2) Fight against usurious money lending practices and rural indebtedness.

By order of the Governor,

N. V. MADHAVAN,  
*Secretary to Government.*

#### **Explanatory Note\***

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Sub-section (1) of section 44 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980) inter alia provides that the administration of a district in respect of the matters enumerated in the First Schedule to the said Act shall with effect from such date as the Government may, by notification in the Gazette, specify, be vested in the district councils. Government have decided to notify certain subjects comprised in the matters enumerated in the First Schedule to the said Act for the administration of the district councils which will come into office on the 5th February, 1991.

\* The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

**Local Administration (Dist. Admn. Spl. Cell) Department**

## NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) 219/90/LAD.

*Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26th December, 1990.*

**S. R. O. No. 1747/90.**—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 44 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980), the Government of Kerala hereby delegate the following powers and functions of the Government mentioned in the Schedule below to the district councils constituted by notifications No. G. O. (P) 39/90/LAD dated 5th March, 1990 and G. O. (P) 195/90/LAD dated 30th November, 1990 with effect from the 5th day of February, 1991, subject to the conditions and restrictions mentioned therein, namely:—

## SCHEDULE

1. *District Planning and District Development Programmes.*—(1) Preparation of the district development plan including the Special Component Plans/Sub-plans for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes.

(2). Preparation of the District Credit Plan regarding institutional finance for the development plan.

(3). Formulation and execution (either directly or through other local Governments) of district plan schemes in exercise of functions assigned by statute or their subordinate legislation (in respect of matters covered by statutes) or delegated by the Government (in respect of non-statutory matters).

(4) Monitoring, evaluation and implementation of the district plan.

(5) Promotion of people's participation and contribution in cash, kind and labour in implementation of development programmes.

(6) Advice or recommendation to Government or other authorities, in exercise of powers conferred by statutes or as required by Government or other authorities or *suo moto* in the interests of development of the district

2. *Spatial Planning.*—(1) Preparation of land use maps and such other maps as are necessary for preparing a regional plan for the district or part thereof.

(2) The preparation of a regional plan or plans for the district.



(3) Enforcement of the provisions of the regional plan and implementation, either directly or through other local Governments and agencies, of the works and schemes contemplated in the regional plan/plans.

\* 3. To grant exemption to all residential building and commercial building (community hall, hotels etc.) upto one thousand square metres from the provisions of the Kerala Building Rules, 1984.

4. To approve the master plans prepared by the Development Authorities.

5. For the issue of all industrial licences by the District Industrial Managers under the supervision and control of the district council.

By order of the Governor,

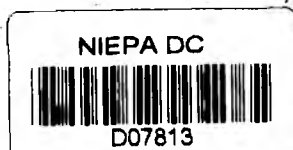
N. V. MADHAVAN,  
Secretary to Government.

### Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

The Government have decided to delegate certain powers and functions to the district councils which will come into office on the 5th day of February, 1991 under sub-section (2) of section 44 of the Kerala District Administration Act, 1979 (7 of 1980).

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