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RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND PANCHAYAT RAJ DEPARTMENT

AMENDMENT TO NOTIFICATION OF TAMIL NADU PANCHAYATS (FIXATION OF STRENGTH OF MEMBERS
AND DIVISION OF WARDS) RULES, 1995.

[G.O. Ms. No. 63, Rural Development and Panchayat Raj (PR-II), 14th September 2011.]

No. SRO A-13(a)/2011.

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 242 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Panchayats (Fixation of Strength of Members and Division of Wards) Rules, 1995.

2. The amendments hereby made shall come into force on the 14th September 2011.

AMENDMENTS

In the said Rules,-

(1) in rule 3, for sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“(1) *Village Panchayats*.—The number of wards in every Village Panchayats shall be fixed with reference to the population of such Panchayat Village as per the scale specified in the Table below and only one member shall be elected from each ward:—

THE TABLE

Serial Number	Population	Number of Wards
(1)	(2)	(3)
(1)	Upto and inclusive of 2,000	6
(2)	Over 2,000 and upto and inclusive of 6,000	9
(3)	Over 6,000 and upto and inclusive of 10,000	12
(4)	Over 10,000	15.”; and

(2) in rule 4, for sub-rule (1), the following sub-rule shall be substituted, namely:—

“(1) Village Panchayat.— For the purposes of election of members of Village Panchayats, area of every Panchayat Village shall be divided into wards in such manner that the population of each Ward, as far as practicable, be the same throughout the Panchayat Village area and every ward shall be compact, contiguous and of easily recognizable areas like colonies, habitations, hamlets and comprise as far as practicable, full house numbering blocks :

Provided that where uniform population among the Wards could not be ensured due to practical difficulties like unequal distribution of population or peculiar geographical location of inhabited areas and as such it has become necessary to deviate from the aforesaid ratio in respect of any particular ward or wards, such deviation is permissible but it shall not exceed twenty-five per cent either way:

Provided further that where the population figures are not available in respect of any ward of a Panchayat Village, the Inspector may determine the population of such area with reference to the voting strength of that area as per the relevant portion of the current electoral roll of the respective Legislative Assembly Constituency”.

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