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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT

(Law and Order)

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION OF INQUIRY TO INQUIRE INTO CAUSES AND CIRCUMSTANCES LEADING TO THE LAW AND ORDER DISTURBANCES WHICH TOOK PLACE ON 23RD JANUARY 2017 AT CHENNAI, MADURAI, COIMBATORE AND OTHER PARTS OF THE STATE FOLLOWING THE AGITATION FOR HOLDING OF JALLIKATTU UNDER THE COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY ACT.

[G.O. Ms. No. 97, Public (Law and Order-F), 31st January 2017, Thai 18, Thunmugi,
Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2048.]

No. II(2)/PULO/76(f)/2017.

WHEREAS the Government of Tamil Nadu is of the opinion that it is necessary to appoint a Commission of Inquiry headed by a Retired Judge of High Court of Madras for the purpose of making an inquiry into a definite matter of public importance hereinafter specified;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints a Commission of Inquiry consisting of a single member, namely Justice Thiru. S.Rajeswaran, retired Judge of High Court of Madras.

3. The terms of reference of the Commission of Inquiry shall be as follows, namely:-

- (i) To enquire into the causes and circumstances leading to the law and order disturbances on 23-01-2017 including damages to public and private properties;
- (ii) To ascertain whether appropriate force was used as warranted by the circumstances;
- (iii) To ascertain whether there was any excess on the part of Police officials and if so, to suggest the action to be taken;
- (iv) To recommend suitable measures to prevent the recurrence of such incidents in future;

4. The Commission will complete its inquiry and submit its report (both English and Tamil) to the Government within a period of three months from the date of publication of this Notification in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette*.

5. AND WHEREAS The Government of Tamil Nadu is of the opinion, having regard to the nature of the inquiry to be made by the Commission of Inquiry and other circumstances of the case, that all the provisions of sub-sections (2), (3),(4) and (5) of Section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952) shall be made applicable to the Commission of Inquiry;

6. NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 5 of the Commissions of Inquiry Act, 1952 (Central Act LX of 1952), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby directs that all the provisions of the said sub-sections (2), (3), (4) and (5) of the said Section 5 of the said Act shall apply to the Commission of Inquiry.

SHIV DAS MEENA,
Principal Secretary to Government.