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### **ABSTRACT**

- Sub-Application No.59 of 2015 in Contempt Petition No.352 of 2009 –  
Direction of Hon'ble High Court – Special Committee to submit a  
comprehensive report to prohibit employment of Manual labourers in Sewer  
lines and Drains – Constituted – Orders – Issued.

### **MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION AND WATER SUPPLY(MW) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(D) No.344

Dated 29.5.2015

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு – 2046

#### **Read:**

1. The order of Hon'ble High Court of Madras in Contempt Petition No.352/2009 dated 5.8.2009.
2. From the Government Pleader, High Court of Madras, Letter C.P.No.352/2009 dated 10.3.2015.
3. From the Managing Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board, D.O.Letter No.CMWSSB/ SE(S)/Reconstitution of Special Committee/ Spl/2015, dated 21.5.2015

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#### **ORDER:**

The Hon'ble High Court of Madras in its order first read above in Contempt Petition No.352/2009, had constituted a Special Committee to submit a comprehensive report on the 12 issues specified in the order, to prohibit employment of manual labourers in Sewer lines and Drains.

2. In the letter second read above, the Government Pleader, High Court of Madras, has informed that in Sub-application No.59 of 2015 in the above contempt petition, the Hon'ble High Court of Madras during the hearing on 10.3.2015 has directed to reconstitute the Special Committee constituted in the order of High Court of Madras, dated 5.8.2009, by including renowned experts and researchers from allied fields relevant to 12 specific issues enlisted in the order and to submit a comprehensive report to the Hon'ble Court.

3. In compliance of the above direction of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, the Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Managing Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board third read above, formulated after due consultation with the officials of the Director of Municipal Administration, Director of Town Panchayats, Corporation of Chennai and Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, hereby reconstitutes the Special Committee as detailed below, to submit

a comprehensive report on the 12 specific issues (enclosed as annexure to this order) enlisted in the orders of Hon'ble High Court dated 5.8.2009 in Contempt Petition No.352/2009:-

**Chairman:**

1. The Managing Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

**Members:**

2. The Director of Municipal Administration, Chennai.
3. The Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai.
4. The Commissioner, Chennai Corporation.
5. Mr. A. Narayanan, Petitioner.
6. Mr. M. Sadacharavel, Ex-officio Zonal Director, Nehru Yuva Kendra Sangathan, Palavakkam.
7. Mr. K. Thirumalai Rajkumar, Ex-officio Youth Officer, N.S.S.Regional Centre, Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Chennai.
8. Mr.M.B. Nirmal, EXNORA International, T.Nagar, Chennai.
9. Mr.M.Ravi, Ex-officio President, Tamil Nadu Hotels Association, Chennai.
10. Mr. Vellaiyan, Ex-officio President, Tamil Nadu Vanigar Sangangalin Peravai, Chennai.
11. The Director, Tamil Nadu Institute of Urban Studies, Coimbatore.
12. Thiru.Ganapathy, SCOPE, Tiruchirappalli.  
(Ex-Journalist, The Hindu)
13. Dr.Kurian Joseph, Professor of Environment Engineering, Centre for Environmental studies, Anna University, Chennai.
14. Thiru.S.T.Gopal Ram, Retired Chief Engineer, Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board.
15. Thiru.S.Muralidhara Rao, Retired Chief Engineer, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

//By order of the Governor//

**K. PHANINDRA REDDY**  
**Principal Secretary to Government**

- To
- The Principal Secretary / Commissioner,  
Corporation of Chennai, Chennai - 3.  
The Managing Director,  
Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board,  
Chennai-2.
- ✓ The Director of Municipal Administration, Chennai - 5.  
The Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai - 108.  
The Managing Director,  
Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board, Chennai - 5.  
The Director,  
Tamil Nadu Institute of Urban Studies, Coimbatore.

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Thiru. S.T.Gopal Ram, Retired Chief Engineer,  
Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board

(Through the Managing Director,  
Tamil Nadu Water Supply and Drainage Board)

Thiru.S.Muralidhara Rao, Retired Chief Engineer,  
Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board.

(Through the Managing Director,  
Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply and Sewerage Board)

All the non-official members of the Committee.

(Through the Managing Director, Chennai Metropolitan Water Supply  
and Sewerage Board)

**Copy to:-**

The Municipal Administration and Water Supply (OP2) Department,  
Chennai-9.

//Forwarded by Order//

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**Annexure**

**List of 12 issues specified in the order of Hon'ble High Court of  
Madras dated 5.8.2009**

- (i) How to regulate or avoid throwing of solid waste into the sewerage system.
- (ii) Monitoring the action taken for diversion of illegal sewer connections given in the storm water drain to sewerage system.
- (iii) Monitoring construction of Diaphragm chamber in the institutions and enterprises such as Hotels, Marriage Halls, Cattle Yard and similar or such other establishments.
- (iv) Identifying equipment / devices for cleaning septic tanks and sewer system at times when it gets blocked as well as on a regular basis.
- (v) To study the maintenance of Chennai City Sewerage System and to suggest various measures to improve the maintenance of the sewerage system on a long term basis.
- (vi) Organising awareness programme to enlighten the public to prevent throwing of solid waste in the sewerage system.
- (vii) Formulating training programme for the supervisory staff and workers of the statutory bodies as well as various other establishments such as Hotels, Marriage Halls, Cattle Yard, Clubs and similar such establishments.
- (viii) Implementation of Revised Safety Manual and Disaster Management Protocol / Sewer Maintenance Manual as recommended by NHRC and the Union Ministry of Urban Development.
- (ix) Suggestion in the light of developing additional fixtures and devices to support the jet rodding machines, desilting machines, etc., in order to eliminate human entry.
- (x) To find out the alternatives for accessories like gloves, wadder suits etc., for maintenance work in sewerage system in exceptional circumstances permitted by this Court in its earlier orders.
- (xi) Preventive measures to check on a regular basis of the various sewerage systems such as replacement of defective lids, collapsed manholes etc.,
- (xii) Any other relevant issue which the committee may consider necessary for the purpose of suggesting a more viable system to eradicate the menace of human being entering into drainage system and also ensure smooth flow of drainage for the upkeep and maintenance of better environment.

**K. PHANINDRA REDDY**  
**Principal Secretary to Government**

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29/12/18  
Section officer