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ABSTRACT

School Education - Public Libraries – Approval to declare the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre as a "Library of Historical and Cultural Importance" and to classify it as an aided library under Rule 22-A of the Tamil Nadu Public Libraries Rules, 1950 by the Director of Public Libraries and notification of terms and conditions - Orders - Issued.

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Read:-

From the Director of Public Libraries Letter Rc.No.2279/woo1/2022, dated 24.07.2025.

ORDER:-

In the letter read above, the Director of Public Libraries has sent proposals requesting approval of the Government to declare the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre as an aided Library of Historical and Cultural Importance under Rule 22-A of the Tamil Nadu Public Libraries Rules, 1950, and to issue terms and conditions for this declaration by the Government.

2. The Government, after careful examination, have accepted the proposal of Director of Public Libraries and accord approval to the Director of Public Libraries to declare the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre as a Library of Historical and Cultural Importance and to classify the same as an aided library under Rule 22-A of the Tamil Nadu Public Libraries Rules, 1950, subject to the fulfilment of the terms and conditions, notified as below.

3. Accordingly, the following notification will be published in the **Tamil Nadu Government Gazette Extraordinary**:-

NOTIFICATION.

Under Rule 22-A of the Tamil Nadu Public Libraries Rules, 1950, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby notifies the following terms and conditions in respect of the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre, as a Library of Historical and Cultural Importance and classifies the same as an aided library and

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directs that continuance of the grant in aid to the said Library shall be subject to the fulfilment of the said terms and conditions, namely:-

TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

1. The grant to be released should be used for the following purposes:
   (i) Research and Publications,
   (ii) Conservation of Manuscripts,
   (iii) Library / Museum upkeep and maintenance,
   (iv) Preservation of Manuscripts,
   (v) Digitization of Manuscripts,
   (vi) Administration.
2. Grant should be utilized for activities of the library as envisaged in its by-laws and for staff employed and their welfare including salaries.
3. The accounts, yearly once should be audited by the competent authority and submitted to the Government.
4. If any new schemes or improvement to be undertaken, prior approval of the Director of Public Libraries is to be obtained.
5. Director of Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre should submit a quarterly report on the activities of the library and the utilization of the grants disbursed.

(By order of the Governor)

Chandra Mohan. B,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To
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The District Collector / Director,
Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library & Research Centre,
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