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ABSTRACT

School Education – Public Libraries – Grants-in-Aid – Financial sanction of Rs.1,39,79,306/- for recurring and non-recurring expenditure for the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library and Research Centre for the financial year 2025–2026 – Accorded - Orders - Issued.

School Education (PL2) Department

G.O.(Ms.)No.197 Dated.18.08.2025.

திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2056

விசுவாவசு வருடம், ஆவணி-2

Read:-

From the Director of Public Libraries Letter Rc.No.3994/E2/2025, dated:13.06.2025.

ORDER:-

In a Government function held in Thanjavur on 16.06.2025, among other things, the Hon'ble Chief Minister has issued the following announcement :-

"இனிவரும் காலங்களில் ஏற்கனவே வழங்கப்பட்டு வரும் மானியத்துடன் சேர்த்து, சரஸ்வதி மஹால் ஊழியர்களின் ஓய்வூதியம் மற்றும் நூலகக் கட்டட பராமரிப்பு செலவுகளை மேற்கொள்ள கூடுதல் மானியத்தை தமிழ்நாடு அரசு வழங்கும்".

2. In the letter read above, the Director of Public Libraries has inter-alia sent proposals requesting to sanction a total grant of Rs.2,76,22,120/- for the financial year 2025–2026 to ensure the effective functioning of the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library and Research Centre, as detailed below:-

S. No.	Particulars	Amount in (Rs.)
Recurring Expenditure:		
1	Grant for Staff Salary, Pension & Maintenance of library.	2,18,45,120
Non-Recurring Expenditure:		
2	Remittance of interest amount to Government of India.	57,77,000
	Total Grant Requested	2,76,22,120
(Rupees Two Crore Seventy Six Lakh Twenty Two Thousand One Hundred and Twenty Only)		

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3. The Government, after careful examination, have accepted the proposal of Director of Public Libraries and accord financial sanction of a sum of Rs.1,39,79,306/- (One Crore Thirty nine lakh Seventy nine thousand and Three hundred and Six only) towards Staff salary, Pension, remittance of the interest amount to Government of India and Maintenance of Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library and Research Centre for the financial year 2025–2026 as detailed below:-

Sl. No.	Description	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	Salary for regular staff (for 2 quarters from the budget provision for the FY 2025-26)	31,25,000.00
2.	(i) Salary for Consolidated staff for 8 months (as per Annexure to this order).	18,00,000.00
	(ii) Pension expenditure (6,63,076 x 12) for existing 36 pensioners for FY 2025-26.	79,56,912.00
	(iii) Pension expenditure for 3 employees going to be retired during the current FY 2025-26.	3,20,394.00
	(iv) The expenditure already incurred by the Library from the accrued interest of Government of India fund.	57,77,000.00
	(v) The professional Management of Library (annually)	25,00,000.00
	Total(1 + 2)	2,14,79,306.00
3.	Ticket Counter Account (Yearly Income approx.)	(-) 75,00,000.00
	Grand Total (1 + 2 - 3)	**1,39,79,306.00**
	(One Crore Thirty nine lakh Seventy nine thousand and Three hundred and Six only)	

4. The expenditure sanctioned in para.3 above shall be debited under the following Heads of Account:-

"2205 – 00 Arts and Culture – 105 Public Libraries – State Expenditure – AW Grants to Saraswathi Mahal Library at Thanjavur – 309 Grants-in-Aid –01 Grants for Current Expenditure".
(IFHRMS DPC: 2205 00 105 AW 30901)

5. Necessary additional funds of Rs.1,08,54,306/- over and above BE-2025-26 will be provided in RE / FMA 2025-26. However, the amount sanctioned at para.3 above shall be brought to the notice of the Legislature by way of Specific Inclusion in the Supplementary Estimates 2025-26. Pending provision of the such funds, the Director of Public Libraries is authorized to draw and disburse the amount sanctioned in para.3 above. The Director of Public Libraries is requested to include this item of expenditure while sending proposal of RE / FMA 2025-26 and also send necessary draft explanatory

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note for inclusion of this expenditure in the supplementary Estimates 2025-26 to the Government in Finance (Edn-II/BG-I) Department at an appropriate time without fail.

6. The District Collector / Director of the Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library and Research Centre is instructed to carry out audit for the Library through Director of State Government Audit. Based on the audit report, necessary funds will be released to the next year and to prepare terms of reference for the jobs for the persons agreed to be engaged on consolidated basis which has to be reviewed on quarterly basis by the Board of Directors / Executive Committee.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.efile.5039/Edn-II/2025, dated 14.08.2025 and ASL No.1139 (One Thousand One Hundred and Thirty Nine) (IFHRMS ASL No. 2025081139).

(By order of the Governor)

Chandra Mohan. B,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To
The Director of Public Libraries, Chennai-2.
The District Collector/ Director,
Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library
& Research Centre, Thanjavur – 613 009.
The Administrative Officer,
Thanjavur Maharaja Serfoji's Sarasvati Mahal Library
& Research Centre, Thanjavur – 613 009.
The Accountant General, Chennai –18/35.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai.
The District Treasury Officer, Thanjavur District.

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The Hon'ble Chief Minister's Office, Chennai-9.
The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minster for Finance
and Environment Climate Change, Chennai-9.
The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minster for School Education, Chennai-9.
The Finance (Edn-II/BG-I/BG-II)Department, Chennai-9.
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Annexure

G.O.(Ms).No.197,School Education(PL2)Department,dated:18.08.2025

Statement of Consolidated Staff's Salary for 8 months:

S. No	Name of the Post Sanctioned	No. of Sanctioned Post	Filled Post	Vacant Post	Filling up of Vacant Post (Deputation / Out sourcing or Consolidated)	Sanctioned Amount (for one month)
1	Marathi Pandit	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	40,000
2	Compositor	2	-	2	1 - Consolidated	25,000
	2 (Tamil)					
	Compositor	2	-	2	1 - Consolidated	25,000
	2(Sanskrit)					
3	Junior Assistant cum and Sales Assistant	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	20,000
4	Conservator	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	25,000
5	Preserver & Photographer	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	22,000
6	Mender	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	20,000
7	Manuscript Cleaner	1	-	1	1 - Consolidated	18,000
8	Watchman	3	1	2	2 - Outsourcing	2 X15,000 = 30,000
	Total					2,25,000
Consolidated Staff salary = 2,25,000 x 8 months: (from August 2025 to March 2026)						18,00,000

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