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ABSTRACT

School Education – Public Libraries – Grant of Budget permission of Rs.1,05,00,000/- (Rs.35,00,000/- for each book fair) sanctioned in G.O.Ms.No.134, School Education (PL2) Department, dated 10.06.2025 for conducting Tamil Book exhibitions under category 'A' in Foreign Countries towards the expenditure for Stall Rent, Flight Charges etc. for publishers and officials – Orders – Issued.

School Education (PL2) Department

G.O.(Ms.) No.211

Dated 10.09.2025.
திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2056
விசுவாவசு வருடம், ஆவணி-25

Read:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.134, School Education (PL2) Department, dated 10.06.2025.
2. From the Director of Public Libraries, Letter Rc.No.1932/D1/2025, dated 20.08.2025.

ORDER:-

In the Government order 1st read above, orders were issued to conduct Tamil Book Fairs in major Indian cities where Tamil people reside in large numbers, such as New Delhi, Mumbai, Bengaluru, Kolkata and Thiruvananthapuram under category 'B' at a cost of Rs.95,00,000/- and in Foreign cities, namely Singapore, Selangor (Malaysia) and Sharjah (UAE) under category 'A' at a cost of Rs.1,05,00,000/- making the total estimated expenditure of Rs.2,00,00,000/-. In addition, since the expenditure for conducting Tamil Book Fairs in three Foreign cities and five Indian cities are not the same, orders were issued to permit the Director of Public Libraries to use the amount of Rs. 2.0 crore sanctioned as above by shifting the proposed internal allocation for conducting category 'A' and Category 'B' Tamil Book Fairs as per the requirement.

2. In the letter 2nd read above, the Director of Public Libraries, among others, has stated that in order to conduct the Tamil book Exhibitions in Foreign Countries as per the Government order 1st read above, it is proposed to set up the Tamil Nadu Pavilion comprising 10 stalls representing Tamil publishers from Tamil Nadu in collaboration with publishers from the Tamil publishing field. For this purpose, one-way travel allowance (stall rent and one-way flight charges) will be provided to one person from each of the subject of 10 selected publishing houses. The schedule of the book fairs and the expenditure proposed for Category 'A' allocation of Rs.1,05,00,000/- (Rs.35,00,000/- for each book fair) sanctioned in the Government order 1st read above for Tamil book exhibitions in Foreign Countries are as follows:

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(i).The schedule of the Tamil Book Fairs in three Foreign Countries :

Sl.No.	Name of the Book Fair	Place	Tentative Date
1.	Sharjah International Book Fair (SIBF-U).	Sharjah, UAE	Nov 5–16, 2025
2.	Selangor International Book Fair (SIBF-M).	Selangor, Malaysia	Nov 28 – Dec 7, 2025
3.	Singapore Book Fair.	Singapore	April 2026 (Tentative)

(ii).The expenditure proposed for Category 'A' Tamil Book Fairs in three Foreign Countries :

Sl. No.	Expenditure details	Sharjah International Book Fair (SIBF-U) (in Rs.) (Tentative Amount)	Selangor International Book Fair (SIBF-M) (in Rs.) (Tentative Amount)	Singapore Book Fair (in Rs.) (Tentative Amount)
1	Stall Rent	20,00,000 (Rs.2,00,000 X 10 stalls)	20,00,000 (Rs.2,00,000 X 10 stalls)	20,00,000 (Rs.2,00,000 X 10 stalls)
2.	Flight Charges	6,55,000 One way ticket for 10 Tamil Publishers = Rs.4,00,000 /- (Rs.40,000 X10) Two way ticket for Officials Rs.2,55,000/- (1 Business Class - Rs.1.75 lakh 1 Economic class - Rs.80,000)	6,55,000 One way ticket for 10 Tamil Publishers = Rs.4,00,000 /- (Rs.40,000 X 10) Two way ticket for Officials Rs.2,55,000/- (1 Business Class - Rs.1.75 lakh 1 Economic class - Rs.80,000)	6,55,000 One way ticket for 10 Tamil Publishers = Rs.4,00,000 /- (Rs.40,000 X10) Two way ticket for Officials Rs.2,55,000/- (1 Business Class - Rs.1.75 lakh 1 Economic class - Rs.80,000)
3.	Insurance	24,000 (Rs.2,000/- * 12)	24,000 (Rs.2,000/- * 12)	24,000 (Rs.2,000/- * 12)
4.	Visa Handling Charges	30,000 (Rs.2,500/- * 12)	30,000 (Rs.2,500/- * 12)	30,000 (Rs.2,500/- * 12)

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5.	Visa Facilitations Charges	1,20,000 (Rs.10,000/- * 12)	1,20,000 (Rs.10,000/- * 12)	1,20,000 (Rs.10,000/- * 12)
6.	Experts, Literary Persons, Authors Expenditure Book Fair Awareness Drive	2,50,000	2,50,000	2,50,000
7.	Daily Allowances	3,75,171 a) ($350X87.25 = Rs.30,537 for 3 days = 91,611) X 1 Official = 91,611 b) ($325X87.25 = Rs.28,356 for 10 days = 2,83,560 One Official X 1 Person =2,83,560 G.O.Ms.No.378, Finance (Allowances)Dept Dt.28.12.2022.	3,75,171 a) ($350X87.25 = Rs.30,537 for 3 days = 91,611) X1 Official = 91,611 b) ($325X87.25 = Rs.28,356 for 10 days = 2,83,560 One Official X 1 Person =2,83,560 G.O.Ms.No.378 Finance (Allowances)Dept Dt.28.12.2022.	3,75,171 a) ($350X87.25 = Rs.30,537 for 3 days = 91,611) X 1 Official = 91,611 b) ($325X87.25 = Rs.28,356 for 10 days = 2,83,560 One Official X 1 Person =2,83,560 G.O.Ms.No.378 Finance (Allowances) Dept, Dt.28.12.2022.
8.	Stand Design, Brochures, Catalogues Print	45,829	45,829	45,829
	Total Expenditure	35,00,000	35,00,000	35,00,000

Further, the Director of Public Libraries has requested to grant budget permission of Rs.1,05,00,000/- (Rs.35,00,000/- for each book fair) sanctioned in the Government Order 1st read above for Tamil book exhibitions in foreign countries to meet out

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expenditure for Stall Rent, Flight Charges etc. for publishers and officials as stated above.

3. The Government have carefully examined the proposal of the Director of Public Libraries in detail and accord budget permission of Rs.1,05,00,000/- (Rs.35,00,000/- for each book fair as stated in para.2 above) sanctioned in Government Order 1st read above for conducting Tamil book exhibitions under category 'A' in Foreign Countries on the suitable dates as stated in para.2 above, towards the expenditure for Stall Rent, Flight Charges etc. for publishers and officials, accordingly.

4. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.efile.6927/Edn-II/2025, dated.13.08.2025.

(By order of the Governor)

Chandra Mohan. B,
Principal Secretary to Government.

To
The Director of Public Libraries (FAC), Chennai-2.
The Accountant General, Chennai –18/35.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai-35.

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