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ABSTRACT

Higher Education Department – Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education Announcement for the year 2025-2026 - "Improving of Sports facilities in Government Colleges each at a cost of Rs. 1.5 lakh"- Implementation of the scheme - A sum of Rs.3.78 Crore - Sanctioned – Orders - Issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (H2) DEPARTMENT

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From the Vice-Chairman, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education Letter Rc.No.921/2025A, dated 30.04.2025.

ORDER:-

The Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education during the demand for grants for the Financial Year 2025-2026 has made the following Announcement in the Floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly:-

"Improving of Sports facilities in Government Colleges each at a cost of Rs. 1.5 lakh".

2. In the letter read above, the Vice-Chairman Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) has stated it has been proposed to develop a comprehensive strategy to improve sports in Government Higher Education Institutions. Promoting sports in higher education institutions is critical to garner the latent potential and energy of youth in higher education institutions and improve their physical activity. Also, the collegiate sports ecosystem is a vital link in the sports continuum leading to medals and recognition at the senior level national and international podiums including the Olympics and other world championships.

The comprehensive plan to address the promotion of sports in higher education institutions comprises the following components;-

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Field of Play

- Development of a data base of the available fields of play, outdoor and indoor, present in colleges and universities along with their conditions is necessary to find out the present status and identify gaps.
- Guidelines will be developed by collaborating with the Sports Development Authority of Tamil Nadu (SDAT) for minimum and critical sports infrastructure at institutions.
- iii. Based on the popularity of games in the region and other factors, institutions may be designated with intensive development of two or more games. In the future, the institutions may evolve into nodal centres in a hub and spoke model for the particular games in that region.

Human Resource

- The availability of sanctioned posts in proportion to the student strength and the vacancies of physical directors in colleges will be studied and analysed.
- ii. For focused development of sports, discipline specific coaches are required to improve the coaching efforts. Government will be approached for suitable orders.

Competition Exposure

- i. The University Games is a popular tournament conducted by the Association of Indian Universities that comes under the Sports Board of University Grants Commission. The participation of all state public universities may be examined for furtherance.
- State level inter-college competitions may be held and the results can be recognized for future use.
- iii. In this direction, a consultation meeting followed by collaborations with the state level associations and other stakeholders for various disciplines may be held.

Integration in Time Table

- Given the limited time students spend in college campuses, sports period may be integrated in the time table itself on a weekly once or twice frequency.
- Access to sports infrastructure after college hours may also be allowed for everyone even if they are not in the college team.

Student Participation

- i. The sports related trajectory of students who joined colleges through sports quota over the past five years may be analysed to know the present status. A program to handhold them may be introduced.
- ii. Based on their interest, other students may be encouraged to pursue and participate in the games, both from a competition and recreation angle.

Roles and Responsibilities

- Colleges to collaborate with the university to propel performance potential in sports activities.
- Universities to be inclusive to handhold affiliated colleges in nurturing and providing access and training to all students irrespective of the achievements at state and national levels.
- iii. The Directorate of Collegiate Education (DCE) and the Directorate of Technical Education (DoTE) may identify gaps in their corresponding institutions and devise clear cut guidelines to enhance and propel sports activities among the youth.
- iv. Synergy should be established among the departments of Youth Welfare and Sports Development (for youth engagement), Health and Family Welfare (for De-addiction and Mental Health), Welfare of Differently Abled Persons (for Differently-Abled) and Higher Education for evolving long term perspective plans in sports.
 - 4. The Vice Chairman Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) has further stated that the data will be collected and anlaysed by Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education and detailed guidelines regarding the above subjects will be evolved in discussion with the Sports Development Authority of TamilNadu, the Directorate of Collegiate Education (DCE) and the Directorate of Technical Education (DoTE). The sports promotion plan will be implemented by the Directorate of Collegiate Education (DCE) and the Directorate of Technical Education (DoTE) according to the guidelines and the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) will facilitate.

Budget details of the promotion plan as follows:-

Type of Institution	Number of Colleges	Allocation per college (Rs.)	Total Amount (in Rs.)
Government Arts and Science Colleges	164	1,50,000	2,46,00,000
Government Teacher Education Colleges	7	1,50,000	10,50,000
Government Engineering Colleges	11	1,50,000	16,50,000
Anna University Constituent Colleges	16	1,50,000	24,00,000
Government Polytechnic Colleges	54	1,50,000	81,00,000
Grand Total	252		3,78,00,000

The colleges are required to give a priority list of equipment required and improvements in ground conditions.

- 5. The Vice Chairman, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education (TANSCHE) has requested the Government to approve the scheme of "Improving of sports facilities in Government colleges each at a cost of Rs.1.5 lakh and to sanction a sum of Rs.3.78 Crore for implementation of the above scheme.
- 6. The Government after careful examination of the proposal of the Vice-Chairman, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education hereby sanction a sum of Rs.3.78 Crore (Rupees Three Crore and Seventy Eight Lakhs only) to the Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education towards the implementation of the Scheme "Improving of Sports facilities in Government Colleges each at a cost of Rs. 1.5 lakh (One Lakh and Fifty Thousand only)", for 252 colleges subject to the following conditions;-
 - Personal Deposit (PD) account for the sports for all Government Colleges be created and the funds now agreed per college will be deposited.
 - ii) From this account, the Principals may spend for maintenance of sports infra, conducting of competition etc.

7. The amount sanctioned in para 6 above shall be debited to the following Head of Account:

"2202 General Education - 03 University and Higher Education - 104 Assistance to Non-Government Colleges and Institutes - AC Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education - 309 Grants-in-Aid - 03 Grants for Specific Schemes."
(IFHRMS DPC 2202 03 104 AC 30903)

- The amount sanctioned in para 6 above shall be met from the existing budget provision 2025-2026.
- 9. The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Chennai is authorized to draw and disburse the grant sanctioned in para 6 above to the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai. On receipt of claim bills from the Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai.
- 10. The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennal is directed to send the Utilization Certificate for the Grant sanctioned in para 6 above to the Government in due course.
- This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide efileNo.1723/H2/025, dated: 02.06.2025.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

C.SAMAYAMOORTHY SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Vice Chairman, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai-5

The Member Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai-5

The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Chennai -15.

The Commissioner of Technical Education, Chennai-25

The Director of Local Fund Audit, Nandanam, Chennai-35

The Accountant General, Chennal -18.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, Chennai.

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The Resident Audit Officer [Office of the Principal Accountant General, (General and Social Sector Audit)], Tamil Nadu Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Private Secretary to Secretary to Government,
Higher Education Department, Chennai-9.
The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister (Higher Education),
Chennai-9.
The Special Personal Assistant to Hon'ble Minister
(Finance and Environment, Climate Change), Chennai-9.
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