



ABSTRACT

The Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005) – The Tamil Nadu Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2012 – Amendment - Issued.

HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (AR.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No. 17

Dated: 28.02.2023

திருவள்ளூர்வாராண்டு, 2054,

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Read:

- 1 G.O.(Ms.) No. 137, Personnel and Administrative Reforms (AR-III) Department, dated 03.09.2012.
- 2 G.O. (Ms.) No. 10, Personnel and Administrative Reforms (AR-III) Department, dated 24.01.2018.
- 3 Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly, Report of Committee on Delegated Legislation (2021-2022) First Report (Sixteenth Assembly).
- 4 From the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Information Commission, Letter No. 36088/MS/2022, dated 07.07.2022 and 19.07.2022.

ORDER:

In the Government Order first read above, orders were issued framing the Tamil Nadu Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2012. Based on the suggestion from the Secretary, Tamil Nadu Information Commission, certain amendments were made to sub-rule (2) of rule 7 of the said Rules vide Government Order second read above.

2. Based on the First Report of the Committee on Delegated Legislation (2021-2022) (Sixteenth Assembly) and the suggestions received from the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Information Commission, the Government, after careful consideration, have decided to issue the following amendments to the said Rules issued in the Government Order first read above.

3. The following Notification shall be published in the next issue of the Tamil Nadu Government Gazette:-

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) and clause (e) of sub-section (2) of section 27 of the Right to Information Act, 2005 (Central Act 22 of 2005), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following amendments to the Tamil Nadu Information Commission (Appeal Procedure) Rules, 2012:-

(P.T.O.)



AMENDMENTS.

In the said Rules,-

(1) in rule 2, for clause (d), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:-
“(d) Words and expressions used in these Rules but not defined shall have the same meaning assigned to them in the Act.”;

(2) in rule 7, in sub-rule (2),-

(i) in clause (i), after the proviso, the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

“Provided further that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the appellant at the time of hearing and instead choose to hear him through the virtual mode.”;

(ii) in clause (ii), for the proviso, the following proviso shall be substituted, namely:-

“Provided that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the complainant at the time of hearing and instead it may choose to hear him through the virtual mode, without prejudice to the powers vested with it under clause (a) of sub-section (3) of section 18 of the Act.”;

(3) in rule 8, in sub-rule (2), the following proviso shall be added, namely:-

“Provided that the Commission may, at its discretion, dispense with the physical presence of the Public Information Officer or Assistant Public Information Officer or such senior officer at the time of hearing and instead it may choose to hear them through the virtual mode.”.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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