

Act – The Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies (Amendment) Act, 1998, as amended by the Tamil Nadu Act 30 of 2025 – The Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023, as amended - Nomination of person with disability in councils of Urban Local Bodies – Certain Guidelines - Issued.

Municipal Administration and Water Supply (Election) Department

G.O.(Ms)No.120

Dated 26.06.2025

திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2056 விசுவாவசு வருடம், ஆனி 12 Read:

- From the Commissioner, Greater Chennal Corporation, Letter CI.D.C.No.A1/0447/2025, dated 12.06.2025.
- From the Director of Municipal Administration, Letter Roc.No.13933/2022/MA2, dated 18.06.2025.
- From the Commissioner of Town Panchayats, Letter Roc.No.7242/2022/C2, dated 18.06.2025.
- G.O.(Ms)No.119, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, dated 26.06.2025.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has announced that action will be taken to nominate persons with disabilities in all local bodies in the State to ensure that their voices are heard in local governance and that they are empowered to take leadership roles in local administration. The above announcement paved the way for achieving social justice by way of distribution of opportunities and privileges equally to all citizens including the persons with disabilities.

- 2. For the said purpose, the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998 has suitably been amended by Tamil Nadu Act 30 of 2025. Accordingly, the Commissioner of Greater Chennai Corporation, the Commissioner of Town Panchayats and the Director of Municipal Administration have sent certain amendments proposal to include in the rules and Forms relating to nominating of persons with disability as members in the Councils of Municipal Corporations, Municipal Councils and Town Panchayats in the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023.
- **3.** This department has examined the said proposal to amend the said Rules and decided to accept the said proposal. Accordingly, the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Rules, 2023 has been amended suitably and the said Tamil Nadu Act 30 of 2025 has also been brought into force with effect on and from the 26th June 2025 vide the Government Order fourth read above.

- **4.** In order to give effect to the provisions of the said Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies Act, 1998 (Tamil Nadu Act 9 of 1999), as amended by the Tamil Nadu Urban Local Bodies (Amendment) Act, 2025 (Tamil Nadu Act 30 of 2025) and the said rules as amended now, the Government have decided to make the following provisions by issuing executive orders:—
 - (i) As far as possible, equal representation to women for nomination of person with disability to the council of urban local bodies shall be given not exceeding fifty per cent in the total seats, intended for urban local bodies namely, town panchayats, municipal councils and municipal corporations in the District level;
 - (ii) The equal representation shall, as far as possible, be provided to all types of persons with disability for nomination as member in the council;
 - (iii) For giving effect to the said issues, all the urban local bodies namely, town panchayats, municipal councils and municipal corporations in the district shall be treated as single unit;
 - (iv) Further, to make eligible for nominating a person with disability of not less than forty per cent of specified disability specified in the Rights of Persons with Disabilities Act, 2016 (Central Act 49 of 2016);
 - (v) To issue or authorise the District Collector concerned and the Commissioner of Greater Chennai Corporation to issue necessary Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) so as to implement the provisions of the said Act, Rules and for the above purposes in letter and spirit.
- **5.** The Director of Municipal Administration, the Director of Town Panchayats and the Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation are requested to follow the provisions of the Act, Rules and Guidelines in this regard, scrupulously. Necessary instructions may also be issued to the District Collectors for the above purposes.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

D.KARTHIKEYAN PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To:

The Commissioner, Greater Chennai City Municipal Corporation, Chennai-3.

The Director of Municipal Administration, Chennai-28.

The Director of Town Panchayats, Chennai-28.

The Member-Secretary, Tamil Nadu State Election Commission, Chennai-106.

All District Collectors.

All Regional Directors of Municipal Administration.

All Commissioners/Executive Officers of Urban Local Bodies.

(through the Respective Heads of Department)

Copy to:

The office of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Chennai-9.

The office of the Hon'ble Minister for Municipal Administration, Chennai-9.

The Senior Private Secretary to the Principal Secretary to Government, Municipal Administration and Water Supply Department, Chennai–9.

The Municipal Administration and Water Supply (OP-II)Department, Chennai-9.

All Departments of Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Municipal Administration and Water Supply (OP-II) Department, Secretariat, Chennai-9.

The Law (MA&WS-scrutiny) Department, Chennai - 9.

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