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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

LABOUR DEPARTMENT

(G.O. Ms. No. 64/AIL/Lab./G/2020, Puducherry, dated 9th June 2020)

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred under section 35 of the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970 (Central Act 37 of 1970), the Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to amend the Puducherry Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Rules, 1973, the Draft of the same which were issued in the Labour Department's Notification *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 13/AIL/Lab./G/2019, dated 11th November, 2019 were pre-published in Part-II, No. 56 of the Extraordinary Gazette of Puducherry, dated 13-11-2019. As no objection/suggestion having been received within the stipulated time-limit in response thereto, the Government have decided to confirm the amendment to the said rules, namely:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*— (1) These rules may be called the Puducherry Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Amendment Rules, 2020.

(2) These rules shall extend to the whole of the Union territory of Puducherry.

(3) They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette of Government of Puducherry.

2. *Amendment of rule 17.*— (a) In the Puducherry Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Rules, 1973, (hereinafter referred to as the said rules), in sub-rule (1) of rule 17, after the expression ‘shall be made’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘in triplicate’ shall be deleted.

(b) in sub-rule (2), after the expression “by a treasury receipt”, the expression “or by on-line payment through the on-line portal of Government of Puducherry” shall be inserted.

3. *Amendment to rule 18.*— (a) In the said rules, in sub-rule (1) of rule 18, after the expression “granted”, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted.

(b) In the said rules, in sub-rule (3) of rule 18, after the expression ‘register’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted.

4. *Amendment to rule 21.*— (a) In the said rules, in sub-rule (1) of rule 21, after the expression “shall be made”, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘in triplicate’ shall be deleted.

(b) In the said rules, in sub-rule (2) of rule 21, after the expression ‘by a certificate’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted.

5. *Amendment to rule 24.*— In the said rules, for the existing sub-rule (2) of rule 24, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“(2) The amount of security deposit shall be paid by online payment through on-line portal of Government of Puducherry under the Head of Account 8443 Civil Deposits-116 Deposits under various Central and State Acts Deposits under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Act, 1970”.

6. *Amendment to rule 29.*— In the said rules, in sub-rule (2) of rule 29, after the expression ‘shall be’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘in triplicate’ shall be deleted.

7. *Amendment to rule 32.*— In the said rules, in sub-rule (2) of rule 32, after the expression “shall be made”, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” and after the expression “by a treasury receipt”, the expression “or by online payment through the on-line portal of Government of Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘in triplicate’ shall be deleted.

8. *Amendment to rule 38.*— In the said rules for the existing rule 38, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“38. Payment of fees.— Unless otherwise provided in these rules all fees to be paid by online payment, through on-line portal of Government of Puducherry under the relevant Head of Account viz., 0230-Labour and Employment 106-Fees under the Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Rules, 1973”.

9. *Amendment to rule 74.*— In the said rules, for the existing rule 74, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“74. Register of Contracts.—Every principal employer shall maintain in respect of each registered establishment a Register of Contractors in Form-XII be maintained in electronic form”.

Provided that during inspection, the Inspector may require the production of books, registers and other documents maintained in electronic form.

Explanation— For the purposes of this rule, the expression “electronic form” shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (r) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000)”.

10. *Amendment to rule 75.*— In the said rules for the existing rule 75, the following shall be substituted, namely:-

“75. Register of persons employed.—Every contractor shall maintain in respect of each registered establishment where he employs contract labour a register in Form-XIII which may be maintained in electronic form”.

Provided that during inspection, the Inspector may require the production of books, registers and other documents maintained in “electronic form”.

Explanation— For the purposes of this rule, the expression “electronic form” shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause (r) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000).”

11. *Insertion of new rule 80(6).*— In the said rules, after sub-rule (5) of rule 80, the following shall be inserted, namely:-

“(6) All the books, registers and records required to be maintained under the said rules stipulated under the Puducherry Contract Labour (Regulation and Abolition) Rules, 1973, shall be at the discretion of the employer may be maintained in “electronic form”.

Provided that during inspection, the Inspector may require the production of books, registers and other documents maintained in electronic form.

Explanation— For the purposes of this rule, the expression “electronic form” shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in clause(r) of section 2 of the Information Technology Act, 2000 (21 of 2000).”

12. *Amendment to rule 82.*— (a) In the said rules, in sub-rule (1) of rule 82, after the expression ‘half-yearly return’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘(in duplicate)’ shall be deleted.

(b) In the said rules, in sub-rule (2) of rule 82, after the expression ‘send annually a return’, the expression “through the on-line portal of the Labour Department, Puducherry” shall be inserted and the words ‘(in duplicate)’ shall be deleted.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

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