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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT PUDUCHERRY STATE DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

(G.O. Ms. No. 9, Puducherry, dated 02nd April 2025)

ORDER

In the G.O. Ms. No. 18, dated 12th September 2024 of the Puducherry State Disaster Management Authority, Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Puducherry, the Government of Puducherry, has adopted and re-published the revised norms of assistance under the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) for the period from 2022-23 to 2025-26, communicated, From the Director (DM-I), Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division), Government of India, New Delhi, Letter No. 33-03/2020-NDM-I, dated 11-07-2023, by the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs.

2. As per the revised norms issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, From the Director (DM-I), Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division), Government of India, New Delhi, Letter No. 33-03/2020-NDM-I, dated 11-07-2023, it has been permitted to use 10% of the annual SDRF allocation under the respective funding windows for relief assistance to 'State Specific Disasters' within the local context of the State, which are not included in the notified list of disasters eligible for assistance from SDRF/NDRF, for the purpose of providing relief to the victims.

- 3. Accordingly, the Government of Puducherry do hereby declare the following disasters as State Specific Disasters within the local context in the Union territory of Puducherry:
 - (a) Heat Wave
 - (b) Thunderstorm and Lightning, and
 - (c) Sea Erosion
- 4. The scale and norms of various items of relief and for immediate repair/restoration of damaged public infrastructure, as applicable, for the state specific disaster or local disaster shall be the same as prescribed under the Items and Norms of assistance from the Union Territory Disaster Response Fund (UTDRF) vide G.O. Ms. No. 18 dated 12th September 2024 of the Puducherry State Disaster Management Authority, Department of Revenue and Disaster Management, Puducherry.
- 5. With respect to sanction of *ex gratia* assistance for loss of human life/ disability/grievous injury, in addition to the certificate of cause of death/disability/ grievous injury, certifying that it has occurred due to the disaster as applicable, from the Competent Authority of a hospital/medical institution where the person has been treated, the report/recommendations of the Deputy/Sub-Collector concerned along with the enquiry report of the concerned Taluk Tahsildar shall be referred.

Provided that where the death of a person has occurred/reported before being admitted in a hospital/medical institution, in such case, post mortem should be carried out for ascertaining the cause of death and the deceased/injured person is not eligible for this *ex gratia*, if the person was found to be under the influence of alcohol at the time of the incident.

- 6. In case of other damages/loss, a joint inspection shall be made by the Tahsildar/Deputy Tahsildar of the Taluk/Sub-Taluk concerned along with the relevant Departments like Science, Technology and Environment/Public Works/Local Administration/Electricity/Fisheries/Agriculture/Tourism, etc., and the proposals for sanction of relief shall be sent to the State Executive Committee (SEC) through the District Collector concerned.
- 7. The Puducherry State Disaster Management Authority, Department of Revenue and Disaster Management will be responsible for maintenance of a separate set of accounts for the 10% of available Union Territory Disaster Response Fund (UTDRF) while sending proposals to the State Executive Committee.
- 8. This Order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, Puducherry *vide* I.D.No. 444/FC/FD/F4/A3/2024-25, dated 24-03-2025.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

Ashish Madhaorao More, I.A.S., Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government (Revenue/Relief and Rehabilitation).