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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF HINDU RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS AND WAQF

(G.O. Ms. No. 74/CHRI/2026-27/1987,
Puducherry, dated 09th September 2026)

NOTIFICATION

The Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is pleased to make Amendment to the “Rules for Release of Financial Assistance to the Hindu Religious Institutions situated in Economically Weaker Section Areas / Adi Dravidar Colony Areas in the Union territory of Puducherry for carrying out Renovation and Special repair works” notified in G.O. Ms. No. 66/CHRI/T6(GIA)/2004-05, dated 15-02-2005 of

Revenue (Hindu Religious Institutions and Waqf) Department and Published in Part-II, Extraordinary Gazette No. 10, dated 15-02-2005 of the Official Gazette of Puducherry, (hereinafter referred to as said rules) namely:

1. *Short title and commencement.*— These rules may be called the Rules for Release of Financial Assistance to the Hindu Religious Institutions situated in Economically Weaker Section Areas / Adi Dravidar Colony Areas in the Union territory of Puducherry for carrying out Renovation and Special repair works (Amendment) Rules, 2026.

(i) They shall extend to the whole of the Union territory of Puducherry.

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

2. *Amendment of the Rule (1).*— In the said Rules, in Rule 1 for the existing title, the following title shall be substituted, namely:—

“Rules for Release of Financial Assistance to the Hindu Religious Institutions situated in Economically Weaker Section Areas / Adi Dravidar Colony Areas / Scheduled Tribe Areas in the Union territory of Puducherry for carrying out Renovation and Special Repair Works”.

3. *Amendment of the Rule (5).*— In the said Rules, in Rule 5, clause (i), for the existing rules, the following shall be substituted, namely:—

“The Hindu Religious Institutions situated in the Economically Weaker Section Areas / Adi Dravidar Colony Areas / Scheduled Tribes Areas that are not coming under the direct control of the Pondicherry Hindu Religious Institutions Act, 1972, shall be eligible to be benefited under this Scheme.”

4. *Insertion of new Rule 7.*— In the said Rules, after Rule 7 of the said Rules, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

“7A. Certification and concurrence for area-based temples

(i) In respect of temples located in Scheduled Castes (SC) or Scheduled Tribes (ST) areas, prior concurrence of the Adi Dravidar Welfare and Scheduled Tribes Welfare Department, shall be mandatory before sanction of Financial Assistance.

(ii) In respect of temples located in Economically Weaker Section (EWS) areas, the nominated Officer of the Commissioner, Hindu Religious Institutions Department, shall certify that the temple is situated in an EWS area, based on the Income Certificate issued by the Revenue Department.”

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, *vide* I.D.E.Comp. No. e-34877/FC/FD/F4/A1/2026-27, dated 22-07-2026.

(By order of the Hon’ble Lieutenant-Governor)

R. COUMARANE,

Under Secretary to Government (HRI. & Waqf).

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