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GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
CHIEF SECRETARIAT (FISHERIES)

(G.O. Ms. No. 05/Fy., Puducherry, dated 29th September 2026)

NOTIFICATION

Approval of the Hon'ble Lieutenant-Governor, Puducherry, is hereby accorded for the Amendment of the Memorandum of Association along with Rules and Regulation of the Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society issued *vide* G.O. Ms. No. 09/Fy., dated 20-08-2002 of the Department of Rural Development, Chief Secretariat (Fisheries),

Puducherry and published *vide* Part-II of the Extraordinary Gazette No. 34, dated the 26th August, 2002 to bring all the Fishing Harbours situated in the outlying regions of the Union territory of Puducherry under the Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society, namely:—

1. *Name.*— The name of the Society shall be the “Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society (Amendment), 2026”.

2. *Amendment of Name of the Society.*— In the name of the Society to the Memorandum of Association to the Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society (therein referred to as the Memorandum of Association for the “Puducherry” the words “Union territory of Puducherry” shall be substituted.)

3. *Office.*— The registered office of the Society shall be situated at the Directorate of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry in the Union territory of Puducherry.

4. *Amendment to registered office address.*— The registered office of the Society shall be situated at the Directorate of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry and Branch Offices shall be established in the respective office of the Deputy Director of Fisheries or Assistant Director of Fisheries or in the Fishing Harbour premises of Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam in the Union territory of Puducherry.

5. *Object.*— The objects of the Memorandum of Association shall be substituted as follows:

(i) to provide sufficient berthing and wharfage facilities to all mechanised / motorised fishing vessels in the Fishing Harbours at Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam;

(ii) to provide guaranteed navigational passage in the channels of all the Fishing Harbours developed by the Government of Puducherry;

(iii) to provide and maintain landing platforms for the hygienic handling of fishes and to keep the harbour premises clean and green;

(iv) to provide proper auction halls for easy and speedy disposal of the landings through public auction;

(v) to create slipway for handling of the mechanised vessels for hull repair / maintenance and construction of new vessels;

(vi) to provide workshop facilities for repairing marine engines and motors and to provide sales centres for machinery requisites;

(vii) to set up ice plant with sufficient capacity for the supply of ice to fishing vessel operators and for fish transportation;

(viii) to set up a cold storage unit for proper preservation of fishes landed;

(ix) to create shopping complex, to make available fishery requisites and accessories to boat operators;

(x) to establish a fuel station for the supply of diesel, oil *etc.*, to mechanised / motorised fishing vessels.

6. *Governing Body at sub-clause (1) shall be substituted as follows.—*

(1) *The Governing Body of the Society shall consist of the following Members namely :—*

1. The Secretary to Government (Fisheries) . . Chairman
2. The Collector, Puducherry District or his / her . . Member nominee.
3. The Collector, Karaikal District or his / her . . Member nominee.
4. The Regional Administrator, Mahe or his / her . . Member nominee.
5. The Regional Administrator, Yanam or his / her . . Member nominee.
6. The Director, Port Department, Puducherry or . . Member his / her nominee.
7. The Joint Director of Fisheries, Department of . . Member Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry.
8. The Director, Central Institute of Coastal . . Member Engineering for Fisheries (CICEF), Government of India or his / her nominee.
9. The Additional Director of Fisheries or . . Member his / her nominee, Department of Fisheries, Tamil Nadu.

10. The Chief Executive Officer, Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society. . . Member
11. Three Representatives of Puducherry fishers / owners of registered mechanised fishing vessels nominated by the Government of Puducherry. . . *Non- Official* Members
12. Two Representatives of Karaikal fishers / owners of registered mechanised fishing vessels nominated by the Government of Puducherry. . . *Non- Official* Members
13. One Representative of Mahe fisher / owner of registered mechanised fishing vessels nominated by the Government of Puducherry. . . *Non- Official* Member
14. One Representative of Yanam fisher / owner of registered mechanised fishing vessels nominated by the Government of Puducherry. . . *Non- Official* Member
15. The Director, Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry. . . Member-Secretary.

After sub-clause (2), sub-clause (3) and (4) shall be incorporated.

(2) **Regional Management Committees.**— The Regional Management Committees of the Society shall consists of the following Members in respect of Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam :—

(i) **Puducherry Regional Management Committee**

1. The Director, Department of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry. . . Chairperson
2. The Executive Engineer, Port Department . . Member
3. The Executive Engineer (Buildings and Roads South), Public Works Department. . . Member
4. The Deputy Director of Fisheries (Mechanisation) . . Member
5. The Administrator / Secretary, Pondicherry State Fishermen Co-operative Federation. . . Member
6. Three Representatives of owners of registered mechanised fishing vessels / fish merchants / allied fishery industries from Puducherry nominated by the Governing Body. . . *Non-official* Members

7. The Chief Executive Officer, Puducherry . . Member-
Fishing Harbour Management Society Secretary.

(ii) Karaikal Regional Management Committee

1. The District Collector, Karaikal . . Chairperson
2. The Deputy Director of Fisheries, Karaikal . . Member
3. The Administrator / Secretary, Karaikal . . Member
Fishermen Co-operative Marketing Union.
4. The Executive Engineer (Buildings and . . Member
Roads South), Public Works Department or
his / her nominee, Karaikal.
5. The Inspector of Fisheries (Marine), Karaikal . . Member
6. Three Representatives of owners of registered . . *Non-official*
mechanised fishing vessels / fish merchants / Members
allied fishery industries from Karaikal nominated
by the Governing Body.
7. The Officer-in-charge of the Fishing Harbour, . . Member-
Karaikal. Secretary.

(iii) Mahe Regional Management Committee

1. The Regional Administrator, Mahe . . Chairperson
2. The Assistant Director of Fisheries, Mahe . . Member
3. The Executive Engineer, Public Works . . Member
Department or his / her nominee.
4. One Representative from Primary Fishermen . . Member
Co-operative Societies, Mahe.
5. Two Representatives of owners of registered . . *Non-official*
mechanised fishing vessels / fish merchants / Members
allied fishery industries from Mahe nominated
by the Governing Body.
6. The Officer-in-charge of the Fishing Harbour . . Member-
Secretary.

(iv) Yanam Regional Management Committee

1. The Regional Administrator, Yanam . . Chairperson
2. The Assistant Director of Fisheries, Yanam . . Member
3. The Executive Engineer, Public Works . . Member
Department or his / her nominee.
4. One Representative from Primary Fishermen . . Member
Co-operative Societies, Yanam.
5. Two Representatives of owners of registered . . *Non-official*
mechanised fishing vessels / fish merchants / Members
allied fishery industries from Yanam nominated
by the Governing Body.
6. The Officer-in-charge of the Fishing Harbour, . . Member-
Yanam. Secretary.

(4) *The Regional Management Committees may co-opt. any other Members to the respective Regional Management Committee.—*

AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE
PONDICHERRY FISHING HARBOUR MANAGEMENT SOCIETY

1. *Short title.*— These rules and regulations may be called the “Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society Rules and Regulations”.

2. *Amendment to short title.*— In the title to the Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society Rules and Regulations (hereinafter referred to as the Rules and Regulations), for the word “Puducherry”, the words “Union territory of Puducherry” shall be substituted.

3. *Amendment in Clause 2.*— (i) ***For sub-clause (a) under Clause 2, the following shall be substituted :*** “(a) “Fishing Harbour” means, the Fishing Harbours situated (i) in the Ariyankuppam river at Thengaitthitu Village, Puducherry (ii) Arasalaru river at Karaikal (iii) East Godavari river at Yanam region in the East Coast and (iv) in the Arabian Sea at Mahe in the West Coast.”

(ii) For sub-clause (b) under clause 2, the following shall be substituted : “(b) “Mechanised Fishing Vessel” means, mechanised boats made out of steel / wooden / Fibre Reinforced Plastic / Marine Plywood materials of any size fitted with in-board or out-board engines / motors of different Horse Power Capacity.”

(iii) For sub-clause (f) under clause 2, the following shall be substituted : “(f) “Member” means, the Member of the Governing Body or the Regional Management Committees or other Committees as the case may be.”

(iv) For sub-clause (h) under clause 2, the following shall be substituted : “(h) “Society” means, the Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society.”

(v) Insertion of sub-clause (i) and (j) under clause (2) after sub-clause (h) : The following shall be inserted after sub-clause (h) under clause 2:

(i) “Chairperson” means, the chairperson of the Regional Management Committees.

(j) “Regional Management Committees” means, the Committees constituted in all four regions of the Union territory of Puducherry by the Governing Body to ensure proper functioning and maintaining of the respective fishing harbours.

4. Amendment in Clause 3.— For sub-clause (a) under clause 3, the following shall be substituted :

“(a) Office.— The Office of the Society shall be situated at the Directorate of Fisheries and Fishermen Welfare, Puducherry and branch offices may be established in the respective regional office of the Deputy Director of Fisheries / Assistant Director of Fisheries or in the Fishing harbour premises of Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam in the Union territory of Puducherry.”

5. Amendment in Clause 4.— For sub-clause (1) under clause 4, the following shall be substituted :

“(1) “the Governing Body” includes all the Members as are specified under 4 (1) of the Memorandum of Association”.

6. *Amendment in Clause 5.— (i) For sub-clause (1) under clause 5, the following shall be substituted :*

“(1) the Governing Body includes all the Members as are specified under sub-clause (1) of clause 4 of the Memorandum of Association.”

(ii) Inclusion of sub-clause (a) under sub-clause (1) of Clause 5:

The Regional Management Committees include all the members as are specified under clause 4 (3) of the Memorandum of Association, shall be added.

(iii) Under sub-clause (2) of clause 5 for the words and expression the following shall be substituted :

“the Governing Body / Regional Management Committees may co-opt from time to time.”

(iv) Under sub-clause (3) of clause 5 for the words and expression the following shall be substituted :

“the Representatives of Union territory of Puducherry fishers / owners of registered mechanised fishing vessels shall be nominated for a period of 3 years.”

7. *Amendment in Clause 6.— For sub-clause (5) under clause 6, the following shall be substituted:*

“5. the quorum for any meeting shall be one third of the Members of the Governing Body / Regional Management Committees.”

8. *Amendment in Clause 7.— For “Powers and functions of the Governing Body”, the ‘Powers and functions’, shall be substituted.*

Insertion of sub-clause (a) and (b) under clause 7:

(a) **Governing Body :** With a view to promote all the objects specified in the Memorandum of Association, the Governing Body may: shall be inserted [sub-clause 1 to 18 in clause 7 shall be placed under the sub-clause (a)].

(b) **Regional Management Committees :**

(1) maintain and manage the day to day affairs of the fishing harbour.

- (2) mobilise funds from the Government and other sources for its working.
- (3) frame the user charges such as berthing charges, entry fees, *etc.*, and administer the same for the day to day maintenance of the fishing harbour.

9. Amendment in Clause 9.— For sub-clause (2) under clause 9, the following shall be substituted :

“2. All monies credited to the fund shall be deposited in such Nationalised Banks of the respective regions or invested in such manner as the Governing Body may decide.”

10. Amendment in Clause 11.— For sub-clause (3) of Clause 11, the following shall be substituted :

“3. The monies of the Society shall be credited to an account opened in the name of the Society with any of the Nationalised Banks of the respective regions and withdrawals therefrom shall only be by cheques signed by jointly with the Chief Executive Officer and the Member-Secretary in case of Puducherry region and District Collector, Karaikal and in-charge of the Karaikal Fishing Harbour in case of Karaikal region, Regional Administrator of Mahe / Yanam and incharge of the fishing harbour in case of Mahe and Yanam region.”

11. Amendment in Clause 13.— (i) For sub-clause (2) under clause 13, the following shall be substituted:

“2. The Chief Executive Officer, Puducherry Fishing Harbour Management Society shall be the overall in-charge of all the Fishing harbours in the Union territory of Puducherry and shall ensure the proper functioning and maintenance of the Fishing Harbours. The Officer in-charge of the Fishing Harbours shall be the Chief of the institution in respect of Puducherry, Karaikal, Mahe and Yanam regions and shall ensure proper functioning and maintenance of the Fishing Harbours in the respective regions. All other staff of the Fishing Harbours of the corresponding region shall be subordinate to the Officer in-charge of the respective regions. The Officer in-charge of the Fishing Harbours shall be the custodian of the records, the funds allotted to the institution and such other properties of the institution as the Governing Body may commit to his charge.”

(ii) For sub-clause (3) under clause 13, the following shall be substituted :

“3. The Chief Executive Officer / Officer in-charge shall have such other powers and perform such other duties as may be delegated or assigned to him / her by the Governing Body.”

(iii) For sub-clause (4) under clause 13, the following shall be substituted :

“4. The Chief Executive Officer/ Officer in-charge may delegate any of his powers to any of his subordinates with the approval of the Governing Body.”

(iv) For sub-clause (5) under Clause 13, the following shall be substituted :

“5. In the event of the post of the Chief Executive Officer / Officer in-charge remaining vacant or the Chief Executive Officer / Officer in-charge being absent or unable to perform his / her duties for any reason, it shall be open for the Governing Body to direct any Officer or Officers in the service of the Society to exercise temporarily such powers and perform such functions, and duties of the Chief Executive Officer / Officer in-charge as the Governing Body may deem fit.”

2. The other clauses in the G.O. Ms. No. 09/Fy., dated 20-08-2002 remains unaltered.

3. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department *vide* their I.D. No. e-67248/FC/FD/F4/A3/2026-27, dated 23-07-2026.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

C. MALATHY,

Under Secretary to Government (Fisheries).