

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
ABSTRACT

Home (Fire Service) – Provision of common firefighting hydrant network infrastructure at Industrial hubs and Provision of water resources for firefighting by the Fire Service Department from existing water sources – Order – Issued .

HOME DEPARTMENT

G. O. Ms. No.15

Puducherry, dated 13.03.2026

ORDER:

The following Notification shall be published in the Extraordinary Issue of the Official Gazette of Puducherry:-

Notification

The Government of Puducherry is committed to fostering inclusive economic growth, sustainable development and entrepreneurial dynamism through rationalized and improved regulatory practices aimed at facilitating the creation of economic and employment opportunities in the Union territory of Puducherry.

2. The comprehensive initiative to deregulate and reduce compliance burden through simplification and streamlining of regulatory and licensing processes will potentially enhance productivity and lower the costs associated with investment and operations of industry, trade and business, especially for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs), which will in turn create an investor-friendly environment and generate employment opportunities.

3. In furtherance of its commitment and vision to significantly improve the Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living, the Government of Puducherry has been progressively reducing the compliance burden on the existing and new enterprises.

4. Fire Services are included under Item (7) of the Twelfth Schedule to the Constitution of India, which assigns public function to Municipalities. In the Union Territory of Puducherry, the Fire Service Department is responsible for protecting life and property during fire incidents and other emergencies.

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5. Fire protection being a State responsibility, a common and optimum hydrant network with adequate water reserves may be provided by the Government in Industrial estates for firefighting and fire protection purposes. Until such infrastructure is established, the Fire Service Department may make necessary arrangements to draw water for firefighting from the existing public water sources such as, Public Works Department overhead tanks, underground sumps, and effluent treatment plants.

6. The charges incurred for arranging water, as required during firefighting operations, shall be collected from the concerned industrial units by the respective public agency.

7. The Fire Service Department shall not mandate the provision of in-built water storage facilities such as overhead tanks, sumps, or any other form of dedicated storage by industrial units for the purposes of fire safety clearance. This shall apply to industries located both within and outside the Industrial estates.

8. This Notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

// BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR //

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