

IN THE COURT OF STATE COMMISSIONER
FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
(UNDER THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, 2016)
LADY WILLINGDON COLLEGE CAMPUS, KAMARAJAR SALAI,
CHENNAI – 600 005.

PRESENT: THIRU. JOHNY TOM VARGHESE, I.A.S.,

File No.229 /L.O.2/2020

Dated:26.03.2020.

NOTICE

- REF:**
1. Office Memorandum No. 11013/9/2014-Estt. (A.III) from the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training, Government of India, Dated. 27.3.2020.
 2. Letter received from State General Secretary, Tamil Nadu Udvikkaram Association for the Welfare of Differently Aabled, Chennai – 600 083, dated. 29.3.2020.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) has declared COVID-19 Novel Corona Virus that has affected 160 Countries as a Pandemic. It is pertinent to mention that the Government of Tamil Nadu has strengthened its safety, surveillance and control measures for containment of the spread of the disease. In this context, Government has issued necessary instructions for the establishments providing essential services to function with required staff for carrying out the mandatory emergency works during this pandemic outbreak.

In this context, an Office Memorandum has been issued vide ref.1 cited above from the Joint Secretary, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Department of Personnel & Training, Government of India, wherein instructions have been given to all the Ministries and Departments of Government of India that, while drawing up roaster of staff who are required to attend essential services within their respective Ministry / Department may keep in mind that, employees who are persons with disabilities (PwDs) are exempted.

In continuance to the above, a letter has been received from Tamil Nadu Udvikkaram Association for the Welfare of Differently Aabled, Chennai, requesting this department to exempt the persons with disabilities as per the Government of India's

Memorandum and issue necessary orders by exempting the persons with disabilities from attending essential services.

Therefore, considering the safety and health of the differently abled employees / staff attending essential services during this pandemic outbreak and also for containment of the spread of the disease, I herewith request the Government to issue necessary orders by exempting the staff / employees, who are persons with disabilities working in the State Government Departments / Undertakings / Boards / Public Services Departments from attending essential services under their respective Departments.

(SD/ JOHNY TOM VARGHESE)
STATE COMMISSIONER FOR
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.

TO:-

Principal Secretary to Government,
Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai – 600 009.

COPY TO:-

Secretary to Government,
Welfare of Differently Abled Persons Department,
Secretariat,
Chennai – 600 009.