

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
FINANCE (ECONOMIC AFFAIRS) DEPARTMENT**

NOTIFICATION

ORDER BY THE GOVERNOR

No FEA 182/2005/375

Dated Dispur the February 6, 2006

In pursuance of the provisions of Article 243-I and 243-Y of the Constitution of India read with the provisions of Section 2(1) of the Finance Commission (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1995, the Governor of Assam is pleased to constitute the Third Assam State Finance Commission with the following Members only: -

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| 1. | Shri H.N. Das,
Ex-Chief Secretary, Assam | Chairman |
| 2. | Commissioner & Secretary,
Finance | Member |
| 3. | Commissioner & Secretary
Panchayat & Rural Development Department | Member |
| 4. | Commissioner & Secretary
Urban Development Department | Member |
| 5. | Commissioner / Secretary
Guwahati Development Department | Member |
| 6 | Shri H.N. Sharma,
Director, Finance (Economic Affairs) Department. | Secretary |
2. The Commission shall make recommendation as to the following matters:
- (a) The principles, which should govern-
- (i) the distribution between the State of Assam and the Panchayats/Municipalities of the net proceeds of the taxes, duties, tolls and fees, leviable by the State, which may be divided between them and the allocation between the Panchayats/Municipalities at all levels of their respective shares of such proceeds, after taking into account the transfers that are to be made by the State of Assam to the Autonomous District Councils constituted under the Sixth Schedule of the Constitution;
- (ii) the determination of the taxes, duties, tolls and fees, which may be assigned to, or appropriated by, the Panchayats/Municipalities;

- (ii) the grants-in-aid to the Panchayats/Municipalities from the Consolidated Fund of the State;
- (b) The measures needed to improve the financial position of the Panchayats/Municipalities with special emphasis on rationalization of properties tax, collection of user charges and innovative realization methods.
- (c) Examine the feasibility and make recommendations on raising of resources by the Urban Local Bodies through issuance of bonds.
- (d) Examine the feasibility and make recommendations on creation of urban infrastructure and other civic amenities by the Urban Local Bodies through Public-Private partnership and exploring avenues of viability gap funding.
- (e) Any other matter referred to the State Finance Commission by the Governor in the interests of the sound finance of the Panchayats /Municipalities.

3. The Commission may make an assessment of (a) the actual debt position of each of the Local bodies as on 31-03-2005 and (b) estimated debt position of each Local bodies as on 31-03-2006 and suggest suitable measures relating to the debts as are deemed necessary, keeping in view the financial requirements of the State Government also.

4. In making its recommendations the Commission shall have regard, among other Considerations, to: -

- (i) the objective of balancing the receipts and expenditure on revenue account of both the Local Bodies as a whole and the State Government and each Local Body;

- (ii) the resources of State Government and demands thereon, in particular, on account of expenditure on maintaining of law and order, civil administration, debt servicing and other committed expenditure;

- (iii) the revenue of the resources of the Local Bodies for the five years commencing on 1st April,2006 on the basis of the level of collection made during 2004-05 from taxes, duties, tolls, fees, cess etc. levied by the them;

- (iv) the potential for raising additional revenue from the existing sources available to them; and

- (v) the scope for better financial management consistent with efficiency and economy in expenditures.

5. In making its recommendations on the various matters aforesaid, the Commission shall adopt the population figures of latest Census available in all cases where population is regarded as a factor for determination of devolution of taxes and duties and grants-in-aid.

6. The Commission shall indicate the basis on which it has arrived at its finding and make available the Local Body wise estimates of receipts and expenditure.

7. The Commission shall make its report available to the Governor of Assam by 31st December, 2006 on each of the matters aforesaid, covering period of five years commencing on the 1st April, 2006.

Sd/-
(H.S. Das)
Commissioner & Secretary
to the Government of Assam
Finance Department.

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NOTIFICATION
ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

NO FEA 266/2005/65

Dated Dispur the July 3, 2006

In partial modification of the notification NO FEA 182/2005/375 dated 06.02.2006, Governor of Assam is pleased to reconstitute the Third Assam State Finance Commission (TASFC) with the following Members:

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| i | Shri H.N Das, IAS (Retd) Ex-Chief
Secretary, Assam | Chairman |
| ii | Shri S.L Mewara, IAS
Commissioner & Secretary, Panchayat &
Rural Dev. Department | Member |
| iii | Shri B. Dutta, IAS
Commissioner & Secretary,
Urban Development Department | Member |
| iv | Dr. Ashish Bhutani, IAS
Secretary, G.D.Department | Member |
| v | Shri K.V Eapen, IAS
Commissioner & Secretary,
Finance Department. | Member- Secretary |

2. Others terms and conditions as mentioned in Para (2) to Para (7) of the Notification No. FEA 182/2005/375 dated 06.02.2006 will continue.

Sd/-
(H. S.Das)
Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,
Finance Department

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
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NOTIFICATION

NO FEA 266/2005/Pt-I/5

Dated Dispur the March 16, 2007

Consequent upon transfer of Shri S.L. Mewara, Commissioner and Secretary, Government of Assam, Panchayat and Rural development and Member of the Third Assam State Finance Commission (TASFC) to Education Department, Shri Davinder Kumar, IAS has joined as Commissioner and Secretary, Government of Assam to Panchayat & Rural Development Department from 26.09.2006. As such, it is hereby notified that Shri Davinder Kumar, IAS, Commissioner and Secretary, Panchayat & Rural Development Department has been appointed as a Member of TASFC retrospectively with effect from the date of his joining as Commissioner & Secretary of Panchayat and Rural Development Department i.e. from 26.09.2006 in addition to his normal duties in place of Shri S.L Mewara , IAS.

Sd/-
(H.S Das)
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Assam,
Finance Department

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NOTIFICATION

NO FEA 266/2005/80

Dated Dispur the July 25,2006

In partial modification of earlier Notification No. FEA. 266/2005/66 dated 03/07/2006, Shri G.D. Tripathi, IAS, Joint Secretary, Finance Department will work as Secretary, TASFC & head of the State Finance Commission Cell in addition to his normal duties in place of Shri H.N. Sharma, Director, Institutional Finance Department. For this purpose he will be assisted by officers & staff to be provided by concerned Departments to the State Finance Commission Cell. Shri G.D. Tripathi will take immediate necessary steps to identify officers & staff from various Departments to man the State Finance Commission Cell.

Sd/-
(K.V. Eapan)
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Assam,
Finance Department