GOVERNMENT OF KERALA
ABSTRACT

Social Welfare Department—Scheme for the rehabilitation of the dependents of the indigent convicts - sanctioned - Orders issued

G.O. (S.P.) No. 29/2002/SWP

Date: 13/11/2002

Social Welfare Department

Hiranandananapuram

2. Minutes of the working Group meeting of the Social Welfare Department held on 30-7-2002

ORDER

The Director of Social Welfare in his letter dated 29th June 2002 has submitted a proposal for implementation of a scheme for the rehabilitation of the dependents of the indigent convicts. Working Group which met on 30-7-2002 discussed the proposal and agreed to the same with certain modifications.

The Government are pleased to accord sanction for implementation of a scheme for the rehabilitation of the dependents of the indigent convicts. The scheme is intended to assist those who are indigent, married and unmarried women, whose sons or daughters are minors, or minors. The scheme is intended to assist those who are indigent, married and unmarried women, whose sons or daughters are minors, or minors. The scheme will be given as a subsidy along with a loan amount from the nationalised bank which the beneficiary has to repay.

The maximum amount of financial assistance to a family will be Rs. 4,000/- at a time.

Conditions

i. Families of such convicts who have undergone imprisonment for a period of 3 years and above are eligible for the financial assistance.

ii. The family shall be eligible for the assistance only during the period of imprisonment.

iii. The application for starting self-employment should accompany the details of the project to be started with the financial assistance and a recommendation letter from the concerned ward member/counsellor.
v. Financial assistance for the purpose will be conditional only for the viable projects since the amount is given or subsidy the beneficiary has to locate a bank from where he could get a loan and the subsidy amount as per the scheme.

vi. Financial assistance shall be given only once for the dependents of a prisoner for the purpose. The financial assistance will be provided to those eligible persons who have not availed the amount for the same purpose previously.

vii. The total family income of the convict should not exceed Rs. 24,000/- a year.

viii. The dependents of the convict who have criminal records are not eligible for financial assistance under the scheme.

Mode of application

The scheme shall be implemented by the District Probation Officer of every district. The application forms will be available at District Probation Officers. The filled up application should be submitted to the District Probation Officer of the concerned jurisdiction. The District Probation Officer shall conduct necessary inquiry on the genuineness of the application and forward the same to the District Committee with his specific recommendation. The committee shall decide the amount to be given to each applicant after taking into account the amount of financial assistance and the decision taken will be recommended in the application.

District Level Committee

A committee shall be constituted for the purpose consisting of the following members.

1. The District Panchayat President
2. The District Panchayat standing committee Chairman for Welfare/Welfare standing Committee clearance of Corporations
3. Members of District Level Committee
4. District Probation Officer

Chairman
Member
Member
Member Secretary

Funding

30% of loan subject to a maximum of Rs. 15,000/- will be given as subsidy from Government for the loan that will be given from Banks, Kerala State Women's Development Corporation, Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation, Kerala State Development Corporation for SC's etc. The amount...
After assessing the amount required in the district, the District probation officers concerned shall communicate it to the Director of Social Welfare. The amount will be distributed in the form of Demand Draft by the concerned District officer. Officers.

 Officials who receive the financial assistance need to submit a receipt within one month from the receipt of the amount. The District probation officer shall maintain the register of the amount. Follow up has to be made by the District Probation officer in each case.

All complaints regarding the distribution of the financial assistance shall be addressed to the Government.

By Order of the Governor

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Under Secretary to Government

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Section Officer