

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PTS.I) DEPARTMENT

Memo. No. 15843/Pts.I/A1/2014

Dt.3.12.2014

Sub: Panchayats-Collection of Fire Tax @ 1% from the assesses of property tax by Fire Services Department from Gram Panchayats as per the Fire Services Act and rules in Andhra Pradesh State- Instructions Issued-Reg

Ref: From the Director General (Vigl.&ENFT) & E.O. Principal Secretary to Government, General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department Alert Note No. 67(C.No. 133,347 & 348/V&E/D1/2014 Dt. 17.09.2014

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A copy of the reference cited is sent herewith to all District Panchayat Officers of Andhra Pradesh State and they are informed that the Director General (Vigl.&ENFT) & E.O. Principal Secretary to Government, General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department have informed that during the course of enquiry in Kadapa District, the officials of V&E Department have observed that no Fire Tax is collected by Fire Services Department from the Gram Panchayats during the period from 2007-08 to 2013-14. As per AP Fire Service Act (APFSA), 1990 and AP Fire and Emergency Operations and Levy of Fee Rules (AP F&EO and LFR), 2006, Gram Panchayats should levy 1% of Fire Tax on the amount of Property tax pertaining to lands and buildings. The said levied Fire Tax should be paid to Fire Services Department by Gram Panchayats.

2. Hence, they are directed to instruct all the Panchayat Secretaries in the State for levying 1% Fire Tax on the amount of Property tax pertaining to lands and buildings as per Section 36 of AP Fire Services Act, 1999, and as per Rule 35© of A.P. Fire & Emergency Operation Rules, 2006 in the form of a surcharge. The same shall be recoverable as if it were arrear of land revenue. They are also requested to intimate the action taken report in the matter to Government immediately.

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT(PR)

To
All District Panchayat Officers (w.e.)
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The CPR&RE, A.P., Hyderabad for taking necessary action(w.e.)
All District Collectors for taking necessary action(w.e.)
The Director General (V&E), General Administration (V&E) Department

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