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LOCAL AND MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION

THIRUVANNAMALAI MUNICIPALITY RELATING WATER SUPPLY BY - LAWS

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The Bye-Laws for distribution of drinking water for residential and other purposes are formulated as per the amendments made in 1920 TN District Municipality Act, Section 130, 131 (1) (2) (3), 132 (1), 132 A.

It includes drinking water connections for the newly built houses, changes and repair in the existing pipelines, regular monitoring of water wastage, controlling water wastage by fixing flow meters, construction of water tanks and prevention of fire accidents.

1. The connections for drinking water supply and changes in the existing pipelines are made after the issue of order by the Municipality on submission of approval form and a deposit amount of Rs. 100/- including the estimate-amount by the house owners under 1920 TN District Municipality legal Bye-Laws.
 - a) 10 % of the total charge will be collected as centage fees, the minimum of which will be Rs. 250/- by the Municipality.

- b) In case of drinking water connections to Government buildings, the deposit and estimate amount can be paid after the issue of order.
2. The connections provided for domestic and non-domestic purposes will be monitored by fixing meters and the charges will be collected based on it. If not fixed, it must be done within 60 days after the issue of notice. If failed to do so, the connections will be terminated.
3. The utility purpose of the provided drinking water will be checked as per the modified 1920 TN District Municipality Act.
4. a) The charges will be "collected as drinking water utility" if the provided water is used for either domestic or other purposes.
- b) For the supply of drinking water to managerial companies under the governance, the charges will be collected separately as drinking purpose and non-drinking purpose after measurement of utility.
- c) Connections for drinking water supply will not be given to houses not paying property tax. If the commissioner finds the provided water is being used for construction or repair purposes, specific charges will be collected.
- d) Inspection Engineer, Municipality Management office.
5. Only one pipeline with control valve will be provided for each house.

Explanation:

"House" under this Bye-Laws denotes one building at a place.

- a) Connections for Apartments
- b) Pipelines will be given in appropriate numbers for each houses in the apartments as follows:

Up to 4 houses	20 mm 15 mm	Beneficial tap Screw tap	1 No
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5 - 8 houses	20 mm15 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	2 Nos
9 - 12 houses	20 mm15 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	3 Nos
13 - 16 houses	20 mm15 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	4 Nos
17 - 20 houses	25 mm20 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	5 Nos
21 - 40 houses	40 mm20 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	6 Nos
41 - 70 houses	40 mm25 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	7 Nos
above 70 houses	40 mm20 mm	Beneficial tapScrew tap	8 Nos

For drinking water connections to Apartments, taxation will be made for individual houses, the deposit and usage fees will be collected from individuals.

6. The distribution of drinking water for temples, marques and churches will be made as follows:

a) The rules for connection to houses will be applicable here also.

7. Considering the water level and pressure in pipelines, the number of connections to houses, pipeline length, fixing check valve will be decided by the Engineer or official appointed by him as per the rules.

The following dimensions will be made in pipeline connections:

1. 15 mm pipeline connection - 10 mm screw tap.
2. 20 mm pipeline connection - 15 mm screw tap.

The pipeline connections must not exceed 15 mm and given after the inspection of Engineer and orders issued by the Municipality Commissioner.

8. If the pipeline connection from source exceeds 90 meters, the connection will be provided after the examination of Inspection Engineer's approval considering various parameters.

9. a) The connections provided must be accessible for easy examination of the Municipality Engineer or Municipality Officers. If not so, the connection will be terminated.

- b) The opener valve for drinking water supply must not be submerged in water. The water from drinking water pipelines must not mix with the sewerage pipelines laid by the Municipality.
10. a) All the meters should be fixed after getting the commissioners approval by the house owners. Meters should be maintained in the closed condition meter reading will be record by every month.
- b) The meters must be fixed by the house owners and Rs.50/- will be collected per month for this purpose.
- c) The damaged meters must be repaired after the inspection of engineer and after Commissioner's approval by the house owners within two weeks. If failed, the pipeline will be disconnected. For the specific period, the charges will be collected as per the changes made in 16th Bye-Laws.
11. a) For household purposes - RS 100/- for each connection (Deposit - Rs 5.000/-).
- b) For non-domestic commercial purposes - RS 200/- for each connection (Deposit - Rs 9.000/-).
- c) For Industries-RS.400/- for each connection (Deposit - Rs.15.000/-).
12. Drinking water charges
- a) Based on the flow meter, for household utility, RS 100/- will be charged up to 7500 litres. Up to 10000 litres Rs 5/- for each 1000 litres will be charged. Above 10000 litres Rs 10/- for each 1.000 litres will be charged per month.
- b) For Industrial and Business purpose Rs.200 will be charged upto 7500 litres above 10000 litres Rs.10/- for each 1000 litres will be charged per month.
13. a) The charges for drinking water will be calculated based on the usage in previous month and must be paid before 10th at next month in municipality treasury within 15 days after receiving the charge notice.
- b) If the charges are not paid within time, the Municipality Commissioner have all rights to terminate the connection and will not be responsible for any damage occurring.

c) If the charges are not paid within stipulated period, as per the legal plans of this Bye-Laws, the charges will be collected based on the rules of property tax. Additionally disconnection charge Rs.500 and the reconnection charges of Rs.800 will be collected from house holder.

14. No discount in charges will be made if the provided water is not used for quarterly period but will be considered if it is a yearly period but the connections must be terminated temporarily. If done so, the disconnection charges Rs 500/- and the reconnection charges of Rs 500/- will be collected.

Note: Quarterly period denotes three months or 90 days as per this Bye - Laws.

15. a) Repair details in meters must be reported in written statement within four weeks or 30 days with a deposit of Rs 1.000/-.

b) The complaints or deposits not made within this period will not be accepted.

c) After receiving complaints, if meter is found fault on examination, the deposit amount will be returned. If no fault is found in the meter and in good condition, the deposit will not be returned.

16. If the measurement shown by the meter is not proper or found under repair, the drinking water charges will be collected based on the usage in previous month or year according to the data. This will be decided by the Commissioner, the charges calculated will be collected.

17. Hand pumps or motor pumps must not be found so fixed in the house service connection. If found so the entire connection will be terminated without any information.

18. Water pipelines cannot be connected directly to the tank or storage tank and is not included in Bye-Laws 23 and 24.

19. The house owners and tenants must take care of the drinking water pipelines laid by the Municipality and must repair if found damaged at their own cost.

20. If not, the municipality workers will correct it and the charges will be collected from the house owners or tenants. If Municipality Commissioner finds any water wastage or contamination in water purity, the connections will be terminated and water supply will be stopped.
21. The water supplied for domestic purpose must not be used for other purposes without prior approval in written format from the official. If found so, the charges will be collected under Bye-Laws 12. Upon failure to pay the charges, the connection will be terminated.
22. The devices for water storage must not be fixed to the pipelines. If found, apart from disconnection, the devices will be confiscated and will not be returned. Connection will be provided only after the written assueity for not fixing the device again with a fine of Rs 5.000/-.
If found second time doing so, judicial action will be taken.

All the water applicant will be strictly advised to construct the rain water harvesting system in there houses and recommenced to pay the deposit amount for the UGSS Systems. If UGSS system is not applicable for the applicant area, they are advised to construct separate disposal system or septic tanks for drainage waters.

23. Separate tank must be constructed and separate pipelines must be laid for connections to public toilets, urinals and toilets after the examination of Inspection Engineer.
24. Separate connections for boilers from tank and not from pipelines must be given after fixing ball openers and monitoring devices.
25. The pipeline, control valves and other water devices for fire accidents must not be operated by other than those appointed by Commissioner and Engineer on other occasions apart from fire accidents.
26. According to the Commissioners order, in case of marriage or other occasions, temporary connections will be given for which Rs. 200/- and a rent of Rs. 100/- per day will be charged with 15 mm pipeline of 3 m length. Rs. 500/- will be charged for

disconnecting. All the materials required must be purchased by the owner. Rs. 50/- will be charged for extra pipelines. Water will not be provided for more than five days.

27. a) No one should damage the sealed meter or open the enclosed meter or change the flow rate.
- b) Avoid using water from pipeline before fixing meter.
- c) Damaging meters or theft will not be allowed strictly.
28. a) For the connections provided before the amendment of Bye-Laws, the charges will be calculated as per the modified Bye-Laws. If the specified charges are not paid to the Municipality, then it will be considered as using water without Municipalities approval and a fine of Rs 3.000/- per day will be charged for domestic purposes and Rs.5.000/- for commercial purposes and the line will be disconnected.
- b) The process for drinking water connections in practice will not be valid after the enforcement of modified actions in Bye-Laws.
- c) For new drinking water connections, the submission of application with enclosures of documents copies of receipt of tax and other charges up to current fiscal year will only be considered.
29. The misuse of drinking water if found, then the Municipality Commissioner have all rights to terminate the connection with 24hrs. prior warning notice and will not be responsible for any damages occurring.
30. The decision taken by the Inspection Engineer and Municipality Commissioner after examination of the pipelines will also be applicable for Government offices and Managerial companies under the governance as per the Bye-Laws.
31. Those who over rule the above said Bye-Laws except sub-rule 22, will be punished with a fine of Rs 1.000/- and a warning. If it continues again, Rs1.000/- per day will be charged. If found continuously then the connection will be terminated and judicial action will be taken.

32. The drinking water connections can be availed by submitting filled-up Form A and Rs 100/- to municipality treasury.

Punishment

Those who disobey the Bye-Laws will be punished up to Rs. 1.000/- fine. If carried out regularly, then Rs. 1.000/- per day will be fined.

2. Bye-Laws for Public Drinking water pipelines

- (1) Wastage at water from public drinking water pipelines or pipelines kept for fire accidents are not entertained.
- (2) a) Filling of water in vessels of capacity more than 30 litres are not allowed.
b) Water should not be taken for usage apart from domestic purposes.
c) The drinking water tanks or pipelines must not be used for bathing, washing clothes and cleaning vehicles or animals.
d) Repeated usage of one person in public taps is not allowed if others are waiting.
- (3) Water from lines provided for fire accidents must not be used for other purposes except fire accidents.
- (4) Action will be taken against those who use water from drinking water lines and fire accident pipelines for other purposes.
- (5) Enter should be strictly prohibited for the deceased and having communicable diseased animals in the water tanks and water sumps.
- (6) Judicial action will be taken against those who pollute the areas around the pipelines or taps kept for drinking water purposes or fire accidents.
- (7) The pipelines for fire accidents and the valves in main and branching pipelines of drinking water supply must not be operated by others apart from those appointed by the Commissioner.

(8) Do not waste water from public drinking water taps or pipelines.

Official Note:

1. The Council can permit drinking water supply in Bye-Laws from 1 to 32.
2. The Council can permit punishment and public drinking water pipelines under Bye-Laws 1 to 9.

Thiruvannamalai,
13th March 2014.

(Signed)-----
Commissioner,
Thiruvannamalai Municipality.