SERICULTURE DEPARTMENT

Information Handbook under Right to information Act <u> Chapter – 1</u>

Introduction

- 1.1 This Handbook is published as per Act 4(1)(b) of The Right to Information Act 2005 (No.22 of 2005).
- 1.2 Objective / purpose of this hand-book is to provide for furnishing certain information about Sericulture Department and its activities.
- 1.3 This handbook is useful to those who are connected with Sericultural acitities namely farmers, reelers, twisters, silk merchants, silk bye-product dealers, members of Sericultural cooperative societies and silk weavers societies, scientists and Technical personnel / experts in Sericulture, employees of State Departments and Central Silk Board, students of studies of Sericulture, Research scholars in Sericulture, etc.,
- 1.4 Chapter-2 of this handbook gives information about the organisation of Sericulture Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, its functions and duties. Chapter-3 deals with powers and Duties of Officers and Employees of TamilNadu State Sericulture Department. Chapter-4 deals with Rules, Regulations, instructions, Manual and records for discharging functions.

Chapter-5 provides information about particulars of arrangement that exists for consultation with regard to the implementation of beneficiary oriented schemes of this department.

Chapter-6 provides information in a Statement of the categories of developments under the control of this department.

Chapter-7 provides information about (1) Tansilk, an Apex Cooperative Institution, (2) Sericultural Industrial Cooperative Societies, primary cooperative societies and (3) Sericulture Training Institute, Hosur, a training institution under the control of this Department. Chapter-8 provides information about the names, designations and other particulars of the public information officers of this department including institute, Board or society under the control of this department.

Chapter-9 provides information about the procedure followed in Decision Making Process.

Chapter-10 gives information / Direcotory of officers and Employees of this department.

Chapter-11 gives information about the Monthly Remuneration received by each of the officers and Employees including the system of compensation as provided in

Chapter-12 gives information about the Budget allocated to this department. Particulars of all plans, proposed expenditure and reports on disbursements made are shown.

Chapter-13 gives information about the manner of Execution of subsidy programmes.

Chapter-14 gives information about particulars of Receipients of concessions, Licenses or various authorisations granted by this department.

Chapter-15 gives information about Norms set by this department for the discharge of its functions.

1.5 Definitions of various terms used in the handbook

| Cocoon | Means produced by Mulberry Silkworm, Tassar Silkworm, Eri Silkworm. |
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| Cocoon Market | : The place where cocoons are transacted |
| Silkworm Seed | : Means silkworm eggs, moth or cocoon young silkworm or silkworm of whatever used for reproduction. |
| Silk yarn | : Means silk yarn reeled out of cocoons and including raw silk yarn, Twisted silk yarn, spun silk yarn, Du pion silk yarn. |
| Bye products | : Bye product means the secondary material available in the process of seed protection, reeling and twisting process. |
| Chawkie | : Means young silkworms hatched from silkworm eggs and reared upto second molt. |
| DFLs | : Disease free layings means Silkworm eggs which are free from pebrine disease. |
| Grainage | : Means a place or premises where disease free silkworm seed is prepared. |
| Rearer | : Rearer a person engaged in rearing silkworms to produce cocoons. |
| Seed Farm | : Seed Farm means eggs of parental races reared by seed cocoon produces in private or by Government. |
| Reeler | : Reeler means a person incharge of reeling established and carrying in the business of reeling cocoons. |
| Marketing Committee | : Means representative of buyers and sellers to decide the price based on the quality and the prevailing market price. |

- 1.6 Contact person incase somebody wants to get more informations on topics covered in the handbook as well as other informations also.
- (i) Inspector / Asst. Inspector of Technical Service Centre concerned.
- (ii) Asst. Directors of Sericulture of concerned districts.
- (iii) Regional Deputy Directors of Sericulture / Regional Joint Director of Sericulture concerned.
- (iv) Joint Director of Sericulture, Office of the Commissioner of Sericulture, Salem-1.

1.7 Procedure and fee structure for getting informations not available in the handbook.

Required information can be obtained from the Public Information Officers concerned by sending written request along with details of payment made. The fee may be remitted by cash or Demand Draft or Bankers cheque. The applicant may also remit the fee under the following head of account through Treasury / Pay and Accounts Office / State Bank of India / Reserve Bank of India and produce the chalan to the Public information officer as an evidence for having remitted the fee.

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