

BUDGET/ MOST URGENT



**FINANCE (B.COORD) DEPARTMENT,
SECRETARIAT,
CHENNAI -600 009**

Letter No 47201/ B.Coord/ 2019, date: 23.09.2019.

From

M.A. Siddique, I.A.S.,
Principal Secretary to Government (Expenditure)

To

The Principal Secretary /
Commissioner of Treasuries and Accounts,
Chennai-35.

Sir,

Sub: Festival Advance - Enhancement of Festival Advance -Authorisation
of additional funds - Reg.

Ref: 1. G.O.Ms.No.240, Finance (Salaries) Department, Dt.02.08.2019
2. G.O.Ms.No.241, Finance (Pension) Department, Dt.02.08.2019

In the Government Orders cited, Festival Advance to Government Employees has been enhanced from Rs.5,000/- to Rs.10,000/- and for pensioners it has been increased from Rs.2,000/- to Rs.4,000/-. Consequent on this, frequent requests are received in Government for sanction of additional funds under the detailed head "349 - Festival Advance". Necessary additional funds will be provided in the Revised Estimate / Final Modified Appropriation / Final Supplementary Estimate 2019-2020. Pending provision of such funds, I am to request you to give necessary instructions to all Treasury Officers / Pay and Accounts Officers to admit and honour the bills claimed under the detailed head "349 - Festival Advance" as and when presented by the drawing officers, if otherwise found to be correct, but without insisting on additional authorisation of funds.

Yours faithfully,

G. Srinivas
23/09/2019

for Principal Secretary to Government (Expenditure)

Copy to:

All Secretaries to Government, Chennai-9.
All Head of Departments.
The Accountant General (A&E), Chennai-18.
The Principal Accountant General (Audit I), Chennai-18.
The Accountant General (Audit II), Chennai-18.
The Accountant General (CAB), Chennai-9.
All Treasury Officers.
Pay and Accounts Officers, Chennai-9 / 5/ 35/79.
Pay and Accounts Officer, Madurai.
All Officers in Finance Department.
All Sections in Finance Department. (with a request to give
adequate provision in RE 2019-2020).