



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Local Self Government (EW) Department

No. EW3/116/2020/LSGD

08/06/2020, Thiruvananthapuram

From

The Special Secretary to Government

To

The Advocate General, Kerala  
Thiruvananthapuram.

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Sub: LSGD – Engineering Wing - Court cases on issuance of fitness certificate to schools – Instructions- furnishing of – reg.

Ref: Your letter no. WP(C)no. 18815/2019 dated 11.03.2020.

Inviting your attention to the reference cited, I am to inform you as follows :

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As per the Government Circular No. 42448/EW3/11/LSGD dated 12.09.2011, for the issuance of fitness certificate, the school managements should submit the Plan, Estimate, Structural Drawing, Soil Investigation details and building permit to the Asst. Exe. Engineers of the Local Body concerned, i.e., Block Panchayath/ Municipality/ Corporation for inspection, and the construction should be carried out strictly under his supervision only. The structural drawings and soil investigation details of such buildings to be constructed is to obtained from Govt Departments/Govt recognized institutions/Engineering Colleges. After completion of the construction, the fitness certificate to school buildings for the first time will be issued by the Assistant Exe. Engineer after collecting fixed fee of 1.25% of the cost of structure as supervision charge, and on subsequent years, by Asst. Engineers.

Now, as per circular no. EW3/330/2019/LSGD dated 24.01.2020, exemption from payment of 1.25% supervision charges for the issuance of fitness certificate for the first time were given to those old school buildings which were constructed without the supervision of LSGD Engineers. But in the circular dtd 12.09.2011, it was ordered that henceforth school building should be constructed only under the strict supervision of LSGD Engineers right from the plan to completion of building, for which supervision charge of 1.25% of the cost of construction is to be collected. Fitness certificate is to be issued on completion of the building after ensuring that the supervision of LSGD Engineers were made in construction. Therefore, the exemptions for the payment of supervision charges are made vide circular dated 24.01.2020, only to those old buildings which are constructed without the supervision of LSGD Engineers prior to the issuance of circular dated 12.09.2011. No exemptions can be made to those buildings constructed after 12.09.2011, even if without the supervision of LSGD Engineers.


With this instruction, I am to request you to defend the various cases pending before the Hon'ble High Court regarding the issuance of fitness certificate to schools.

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for and on behalf of Government, as and when it comes up for hearing.

Yours Faithfully,  
**GOPAKUMAR U**  
**UNDER SECRETARY**  
For Special Secretary to Government.

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