



# TAMILNADU TELECOM ACCOUNTS AND FINANCE OFFICERS' WELFARE TRUST

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## Minutes of the Meeting of Trustees and Special Invitees Held on 05-Mar-2023

Meeting of the Trustees and special invitees was at RGM CTTC, Meenambakkam, Chennai-600027 on Sunday, the 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2023 to discuss the following agenda:

1. Prayer
2. Welcome address
3. Presidential Address by Shri P Santhakumar, Managing Trustee.
4. Approval of Minutes of last Trust Meeting
5. Secretary's Interim Report
6. Presentation of Audited accounts for the year 2021-2022 / Finance Secretary report on the Status of Funds.
7. Consideration of Educational Assistance to poor students, grant of donations to NGOs/ Review of old sanctioned cases.
8. Any other item with the permission of the Chair
9. Vote of thanks.
10. National Anthem

Following Trustees and special invitees attended the Meeting:

S/Shri

P Santhakumar	K Balasubramanian
K Raajaram	T K Udayan
P Shanmugam	P Mohan
R Rajeswaran	T Sundar
T S Nagarajan	C P Ravikumar
A Aravazhi	V Dakshinamoorthy
S Adhinarayanan	K Mannu
A Thomas	C Sathiamurthy
S Gunasekaran	M Munusamy
P Koteeswaran	

Shri P Santhakumar, Managing Trustee, presided over the meeting. Shri K Raajaram, Additional Managing Trustee, welcomed all the participants. The meeting started with *Tamizhthai vaazhthu*. Then the participants observed a two minutes silence as a mark of respect to the following F&A officials who left for the heavenly abode after the last meeting:



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1. Shri Krishnan, DGM Finance, Retd TN Circle
2. Shri Krishna Reddy, Retd CAO TN Circle

Shri P Santhakumar welcomed all present. In his presidential address, he congratulated Shri C P Ravikumar, who officiated as one of the umpires in the All India BSNL Cricket Tournament held at Ahmedabad in the last week of February, 2023, which is a notable achievement by any means. He also wished Shri Ravikumar all success and wished that a day when he would officiate as umpire in national matches soon.

The Secretary read out the minutes of last meeting held on 29-Nov-2022 at Vellore which was approved by the body.

The Secretary then read his interim report, excerpts of which are shown below:

Following financial activities were completed:

Description of the activity	Amount disbursed
Finance assistance to late Suresh Family, Cuddalore	Rs. 1,30,000
Anbagam Thirunilai village, Chennai	Rs. 10,000
Sevalaya Old Age Home, Pakkam Village	Rs. 10,000
HM West Mambalam, Chennai-33 Govt HSS for providing snacks and tea to poor Plus 2 students attending evening special class	Rs. 10,000
ALLTHECHILDREN, Vyasarpadi, Chennai	Rs. 5,000
Shri Saradha Ashram, Ulundurpet	Rs. 10,000
Thilliambur Old Age Home, Valangaiman	Rs. 10,000

The Secretary informed that the total number of members at the end of February, 2023 was 420. Ten new members were enrolled since the last meeting. He recollected that though it was aimed to achieve a target of 500 members by the end of 2022, we could reach 420. He requested all to put some extra efforts to enrol more members. He informed that a team comprising of himself, Shri Raajaram, Mohan and Sethu visited TN Circle office on 25.02.2023, and distributed membership enrolment forms to F&A personnel present. Shri Aravazhi DGM (F) & one of our trustees arranged a meeting and would be pursuing progress. We hope to see 3 or 4 enrolments soon, Secretary said.



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Secretary mentioned that we have already contacted 145 Schools covering 24 districts to be included in our project of recognising and granting financial assistance to Plus 2 toppers in the current year. Per requests received from some of the schools, we will be adding Class 10 students of a few schools this year, he added. This year, 22 project coordinators will take care of the project execution, and they have personally distributed letters to HMs. This year, due to the efforts of Shri Raajaram, personalised letters were issued to HMs. Out of the 145 schools, 15 pertains to ADW schools, 3 Tribal Welfare Schools, 10 schools are for physically challenged students. Though we know that a large number of tribal welfare schools are available in Nilgiris district, yet for want of a volunteer to work as project coordinator residing in & around Coimbatore we are not able to include any school from the District. Even if there is no volunteer next year, a few trustees from Chennai will take up the responsibility of including one or two tribal welfare schools from Nilgiris next year, Secretary proposed. This proposal was agreed by all those present.

Secretary informed that the total amount required for this year's project will be around nine lakhs. Donation so far received is 1,07,000.00 only as on 4<sup>th</sup> March 2023.

Corpus Fund to the tune of Rs.1.46 lakhs is available, and we shall deposit Rs. 1 Lakh very soon, the Secretary informed.

In the annual meeting of TN P&T AFSROA held on 29<sup>th</sup> Jan 2023, Rs.20,000/- was donated to our Trust from their funds. Secretary conveyed thanks to S/Shri V Dakshinamoorthy, President and Raajaram, Secretary TNAFSROA.

As a result of constant and relentless pursuit of Shri R Guruprasad, Asst. Treasurer and Secretary with Auditors M/s. RSRK Associates, 12A approval has since been received, as confirmed by Raajaram. We have since consolidated accounts for the F.Y. 2021-22 on 31.01.23. It is only a matter of time that 80G approval will be received, Secretary said. Shri Guruprasad mentioned that he is closely interacting with the Auditors.

Secretary concluded his report saying that an amount of Rs.18,070/- has been received as refund from the I.T. Department on 03-Feb-2023.

Then the next item in the agenda was taken up.

Fin. Secretary Shri P Mohan presented the Audited Accounts for the year 2021-22, which was approved by those present. As usual, all approved reports will be uploaded in the website.



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Efforts put in by Shri P Mohan Treasurer and Shri R Guruprasad, Assistant Treasurer in finalising the accounts and submitting audited accounts were appreciated by all present.

Continuation of following cases to provide educational assistance to poor students who were already being paid by the Trust were placed for approval, and were duly approved.

Name of the student S/Shri	Amount approved
G Meera	Rs.8,000-00
P Askshaya	Rs.8,000-00
R Thenmozhi	Rs.8,000-00
V Punitha	Rs.8,000-00
M Mukilan	Rs.8,000-00
Gowtham	Rs.8,000-00
Jenifer	Rs.10,000-00
Varshadevi	Rs.10,000-00

Following new cases were proposed and duly approved.

Name of the student S/Shri	Amount approved
R Subitha	Rs.8,000-00
M Suvetha	Rs.8,000-00
R Atchaya	Rs.8,000-00
P Madhavan	Rs.8,000-00
A Thirumurugan	Rs.8,000-00
M Bala Murugan	Rs.8,000-00

It is pertinent to note that 9 out of 14 selected are girls, in line with the general policy of the Trust.

Secretary informed that a total amount of Rs.40000/- (Rupees Forty thousand only) will be donated by his family trust i.e., Ponnammal Memorial Trust. Shri P Santhakumar, managing trustee also came forward to donate Rs.20000/- (Rupees Twenty thousand only) for the cause.

General cases i.e, other than education were then taken up, and after deliberation, it was decided to donate Rs.10000/- each to the following NGOs:



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- Harijan Sevak Sangh (For construction of building for Ladies Hostel at Chetpet, Chennai)
- Deepam Trust (For construction of at Kariyama malai, Devadhanam Village, Chengalpattu Taluk Building)
- Ramalinga Vallar Universal Charitable Trust
- To provide school fees to 3 poor students in the ensuing academic year

Shri Thomas proposed to consider donation to "Friends for the needy", and it was decided to consider in the next meeting.

After discussion to work with Karaikudi Rotary Club for printing and distributing tamil version of NEET guide books as proposed by Shri G. Muthukumaran, it was decided that our trust will provide whatever assistance as deemed directly, and will not join with any other NGO.

The members present approved the application form shared by Raajaram for considering payment of educational scholarship of Rs.1,500-00 per annum to poor students studying in X, XI and XII standards in Government HSS @ Rs.1500/- per year per student. It was decided that the trustees and coordinators need to take initiative to get the application forms duly filled in by students and send to the Secretary / Managing Trustee with specific recommendations of HM for consideration. It was decided to limit three to four cases per school to start with, since our provision of Rs. 1.5 lakhs this year will cover 100 Students. The approved application form will be uploaded in our group in the first week of June.

Next any other items were called for.

Managing Trustee informed that Shri Vinayagasundram, who was nominated as internal auditor has resigned on health grounds. After accepting the resignation, Shri S Gunasekaran retd CAO CHTD was nominated as internal auditor for 2022-23.

Suggestion by Shri C Sathyamurthy to merge the two WhatsApp groups viz., AFSSOA Welfare to all and AFSROA was not accepted to since aim and objective for are different.

Shri Thomas enquired about getting funds from AFSSOA CHq. Secretary informed that he had a telephonic talk with Shri Satyanarayana on 2.3.23, who assured to do the needful early, within a month. He requested Mr. Santhakumar, Managing Trustee, Shri Dakshinamoorthy and Shri Raajaram to speak to Mr. Satyanarayana to convince him to appropriate the idle funds to Circles early.



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Managing Trustee / Secretary placed a proposal to enrol members from other circles also, as there is some request from senior accounts personnel. After thorough discussion, it was decided to discuss this item in the ensuring AGB, which will be the correct forum to take such decisions.

Shri Sathyamurthy requested / suggested to explore the possibilities of providing wheel chair assistance to handicapped persons, which was deferred to be discussed during the AGB. Secretary informed that our Trust will turn 10 on 10-Feb-2024, and proposed that we should plan for a grand celebration. He added that we can identify and provide this type of assistance.

Shri Udayan shared two incidences of Trust recognition that he personally received from beneficiaries:

1. Smt. Vedhavalli, mother of Shri M V Tamilselvan who was provided with financial assistance to pursue undergraduate course in Periyar Maniyammai College, informed that the boy completed the course and also got successfully placed for an employment. She profusely thanked our Trust for the timely help, which enabled the boy to pay the fees and sit for the exams.
2. HM of Ayakarambalam HSS, Nagapattinam district called to inform that TWO students who were toppers and recognized by Trust secured MBBS admission. He further added that the parents of the students were emotional and thanked our Trust for the encouragement and support extended.

To a query about sharing documentary evidence of payment of capital gains tax (on behalf of AFSA) and acceptance of the IT Department without any refund by Shri C Durairasan, Joint Secretary, the members present were informed that owing to personal work, he could not attend the meeting and also provide the documents. Shri Durairasan promised to share the same at the earliest.

Shri V Dakshinamoorthy explained about how the NGO "*Maatram* Foundation" identifies and helps deserving economically deprived students to pursue undergraduate courses completely free of cost. This NGO is partnering with many premier colleges to provide such students not only fees but also other expenses like boarding and lodging (hostel) fees, books & stationery expenses. He added that during the last academic year, the said foundation has helped more than 400 students. He suggested and wondered whether our Trust can also sponsor the educational expenditure for one or two girl students, if it is within our reach. This being a costly and recurring affair, we need to deliberate at length, the Secretary said.



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Shri Munuswamy proposed the vote of thanks. The meeting concluded with national anthem.

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