

**The Tamil Nadu Village Panchayats (Prohibition or regulation of the use of places for slaughtering animals and licensing of slaughterers) Rules, 1999**

**(G.O.(Ms) No.212, Rural Development (C4), dated 5th July 1999)**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 157 and sub-section (1) of section 242 of the Tamil Nadu Panchayats Act, 1994 (Tamil Nadu Act 21 of 1994) and in supersession of the Rules relating to prohibition or regulation of places for slaughtering for animals and the licensing of slaughterers, the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby makes the following Rules: -

**RULES**

**1. Short title.-** These Rules may be called the Tamil Nadu Village Panchayats (Prohibition or Regulation of the use of Places for slaughtering animals and licensing of Slaughterers) Rules, 1999.

**2. Definitions.-** In these Rules unless the context otherwise requires "Form" means a Form appended to these Rules.

**3. Regulation of slaughtering by issue of licence.-** No person shall, without a licence issued by the Executive Authority, slaughter, cut up or skin or permit to be slaughtered, cut up or skinned any cattle, horse, sheep, goat or pig or poultry or fish in any place in the village other than in a public slaughter house, if any, provided by the Village Panchayat:

Provided that the Executive Authority may allow any animal to be slaughtered in such places other than temples or their precincts within the village as he thinks fit on occasions of festivals and ceremonies or as a special measure:

Provided further that nothing contained in this Rule shall be deemed to prohibit the slaughter of animals for private use but not for sale:

Provided also that nothing contained in the Rule shall apply to places used by the Central or the State Government for the purposes specified in these Rules.

**4. Licence from the Executive Authority.-** (1) Every person who intends to obtain a licence under these Rules shall apply to the Executive Authority in **Form 1** alongwith such fee as may be fixed by the Village Panchayat with the prior approval of the Inspector.

(2) On receipt of the application specified in sub-rule (1), the Executive Authority shall, if he is satisfied with the particulars specified therein, issue a licence to the applicant in **Form 2** subject to such condition as may be specified in the licensee.

**5. Certificate to be issued by Veterinary Assistant Surgeon.**- It shall be the duty of the Village Panchayat that an animal to be slaughtered at the slaughter-house provided by it is brought to the authorised Veterinary Assistant Surgeon atleast twenty-four hours before slaughtering and is certified in **Form 3** as to whether such animal is free from any contagious disease by a qualified Veterinary Assistant Surgeon who is either employed by itself or employed in a Government Veterinary Institution or Panchayat Union near its jurisdiction and whose services are requisitioned by it for the purpose. The Veterinary Assistant Surgeon so employed shall examine the carcass of an animal slaughtered and certify in **Form 4** as to its fitness for human consumption. If the Village Panchayat which employed qualified Veterinary Assistant Surgeon for the purpose aforesaid shall, without any outside sanction, pay to him a remuneration at the rate not exceeding that which is fixed by the Village Panchayat from time to time in this behalf.

**6. Responsibility for the Licensee to dispose of the unusable of the slaughtered animal.**- It is the responsibility of the person who slaughters any animal aforesaid to remove any unusable remains of the slaughtered animal from the premises of the slaughter house and dispose them in the manner specified by the Village Panchayat, failing which licence shall be liable to be cancelled or suspended for such period as the Executive Authority may decide.

**RAMESH CHANDRA PANDA**  
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

**APPENDIX**

FORM -1

**APPLICATION FOR LICENCE**

[See Rule 4 (1)]

To

The Executive Authority,

\_\_\_\_\_Village Panchayat,

\_\_\_\_\_District.

1. Name of Person / Firm :

2. Father's name :

3. Address

House No. \_\_\_\_\_ Street \_\_\_\_\_

Village \_\_\_\_\_ Post \_\_\_\_\_

District \_\_\_\_\_ PIN \_\_\_\_\_

4. Purpose for which licence is applied :

5. Number, type and description of animals intended for slaughtering :

6. This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ number of \_\_\_\_\_ will be presented by me on (date) \_\_\_\_\_ and I am to inform that all these animals are free from contagious diseases and request to issue of licence for slaughtering at \_\_\_\_\_ slaughter house on \_\_\_\_\_ (date), I shall abide by all the terms and conditions of the licence.

Place:

*Signature of the Applicant.*

Date:

**FORM – 2**

[See Rule 4 (2)]

**LICENCE FOR SLAUGHTER OF ANIMAL, ETC**

\_\_\_\_\_ Village Panchayat \_\_\_\_\_ District Licence  
is issued in favour of Thiru/Tmt \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ for slaughtering \_\_\_\_\_ number of cattle/  
horse/sheep/goat/pig/poultry/fish in \_\_\_\_\_ slaughter house located at  
\_\_\_\_\_ (place) coming under the jurisdiction of this Village Panchayat on  
\_\_\_\_\_ between \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ time for which a  
fee of Rs. \_\_\_\_\_ (Rupees \_\_\_\_\_) has been paid *vide* this  
Village Panchayat Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_

*Signature of the Executive Authority and Date:*

*Designation:*

*Original to the Licensee / Counterfoil Office copy*

**TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LICENCE**

1. Slaughtering of animal shall be done as per the laws and Rules in force.
2. No slaughtering of animals is allowed between \_\_\_\_\_ p.m. to \_\_\_\_\_ a.m.
3. Slaughtering time as permitted herein shall be followed.
4. This licence is liable for cancellation in case, the Licensee violates any of the conditions of the licence.
5. This Licencee shall get the carcasses of animals slaughtered for examination by the Veterinary Assistant Surgeon whom he likes to issue a certificate to their fitness for human consumption.

**FROM – 3**

[See Rule 5]

**CERTIFICATE OF ANIMALS FREE OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES**

This is to certify that \_\_\_\_\_ cattle/horse/sheep/goat/pig/poultry/fish/belonging to Thiru\_\_\_\_\_permitted by their Village Panchayat through its licence No.\_\_\_\_\_dated\_\_\_\_\_were examined by me today and found to be free from contagious disease and fit for slaughtering before \_\_\_\_\_(date).

*Signature of Veterinary Assistant Surgeon.*

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

(Counterfoil shall be retained to the Village Panchayat)

**FORM – 4**

[See Rule 5]

**CERTIFICATE OF THE CARCASSES OF ANIMALS SLAUGHTERED AS TO THEIR FITNESS FOR HUMAN CONSUMPTION**

This is to certify that the slaughtered carcasses of \_\_\_\_\_cattle/horse/sheep/goat/pig/poultry/fish belonging to Thiru\_\_\_\_\_permitted by the Village Panchayat, slaughtered in \_\_\_\_\_slaughter house were examined by me today at\_\_\_\_\_(time) and were found fit for human consumption before \_\_\_\_\_(time) of \_\_\_\_\_ (date).

*Signature of Veterinary Assistant Surgeon.*

Name\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_