



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Sports & Youth Affairs Department - Permission to use dredged soil from Ashtamudi Lake free of cost by waiving Seigniorage, Royalty and panchayath fees for the construction of stadium grounds at Chavara government schools and college - Sanction - Accorded - Orders Issued.

SPORTS & YOUTH AFFAIRS (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.22/2025/S&YA Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 20-12-2025

Read 1 Minutes of the meeting held on 08.01.2025 to discuss the use dredged soil from Ashtamudi Lake free of cost by waiving Seigniorage, Royalty and Panchayat fees for the construction of stadium grounds at Chavara government schools and college.

ORDER

As per the decisions in the minutes of the meeting held on 08.01.2025 to discuss the issue of granting permission to use dredged soil from Ashtamudi Lake free of cost by waiving the Panchayat fees from the Harbour Engineering Department and royalty from the Geology Department for the construction of stadium grounds at Chavara government schools and college, (Chavara BJM Government College, Chavara Govt. Boys HSS, SBVHSS Panmana, GHSS Koikkal) has been examined in consultation with the Departments of Finance, Revenue, Industries & Harbour Engineering.

Government are pleased to grant permission to use dredged soil from

Ashtamudi Lake free of cost by waiving the Panchayath fees from the Harbour Engineering Department, seigniorage charges of Revenue Department and royalty under KMMC Rules for the construction of stadium grounds at Chavara government schools and college, (Chavara BJM Government College, Chavara Govt. Boys HSS, SBVHSS Panmana, GHSS Koikkal) Subject to the following conditions:

1. The proposal includes use of dredged material (from KMML or Astamudi kayal) either from Harbour Engineering Department or from Irrigation Department. Hence the Engineer in charge of HED/ Irrigation Department (Inland Navigation), along with the Engineer in charge of Stadium works, shall assess the Seigniorage, royalty and panchayath fee exempted dredged materials which is being used for the construction of the stadium.
2. The composition of the material from Astamudi Kayal shall be assessed and only those materials which is established after soil testing and found neither having any mineral content nor having composition for any construction value shall be allowed to be utilized for the construction of the stadiums.
3. The dredging shall not be allowed in ecologically fragile areas or in places where there is significant mineral content available. If the area of dredging contains mineral content, the dredging shall be done in consultation with state owned M/s KMML for mineral extraction and dredged material obtained after extraction shall only be used for the construction of the stadiums.
4. The initial and final levels of the dredging sites shall be taken by the Engineer in charge of HED/Irrigation Department (Inland Navigation), along with the Engineer in charge of Stadium works, for ascertaining the

quantity of materials dredged.

5. The Executing agency of the construction of stadiums shall consider the dredged material as departmental supply and necessary deduction shall be made in the work bill at agreed/estimate rate, whichever is higher, before effecting final payment to the contractor.

6. (i) Should verify the soil dredged from the Ashtamudi Lake and confirm the dredged soil is unsuitable for construction activities and devoid of any commercial or economic value.

(ii) The dredged soil on which royalty exemption is granted should be used only for the construction of playgrounds in the designated Schools and Colleges in Chavara Legislative Constituency.

(iii) The Engineer in-charge of stadium construction and District Geologist in Kollam District shall certify the volume of dredged soil for which royalty concession is required.

7. The policy framework approved by Government, noted in G.O. (Ms)No.28/2025/WRD dated 21-04-2025 shall be the basis for approval in this case.

(By order of the Governor)

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5. Industries (A) Department (A4/202/2025/IND)
6. Coastal Shipping and Inland Navigation (A) Department (A2/155/2025/CSIN)
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