

GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR  
SECRETARIAT: PUBLIC HEALTH ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Imphal, the 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2020

No.1/3/2019-PHE: In exercise of the powers conferred by section 12 of the Manipur Sewerage Act, 2020 (Manipur Act No. 8 of 2020), the Government of Manipur hereby makes the following rules, namely:—

THE MANIPUR SEWERAGE SYSTEM RULES, 2020

**1. Short title and commencement.**— (1) These rules may be called the Manipur Sewerage System Rules, 2020.

(2) They shall come into force on such date as the Government may, by notification in the Official Gazette, appoint.

**2. Definitions.**— In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

- (a) “Act” means the Manipur Sewerage Act, 2020.
- (b) “building sewerage” shall mean the system of pipes, channels, conduits, chambers, gully traps and manholes conveying wastewater from the building to the nearest inspection chamber or manhole on public sewer, pumping stations, Sewage Treatment Plant and any structures related to Sewerage system.
- (c) “person” shall include consumer, occupier and owner;
- (d) “public places” shall include bus stands, markets, hospitals, clinics, health institutions, educational institutions, libraries, court buildings, recreational and sports complexes, places of worship, religious institutions, dairies, slaughter houses, hotels, hostels, theatres, auditoria, concert halls, public offices where the general public have free access, eating places etc.;
- (e) “section” means section of the Act;
- (f) “wastewater” shall include sewage, liquid or liquefied discharges from public places, leaches and commercial or trade effluents from shops and buildings, exclusive of industrial effluents, medical wastes etc. which are not allowed by code.

Words and expressions used herein but not defined shall have the same meaning as assigned to them in the Act.

**3. Procedure for availing facility of sewerage system, form of application etc.**—

(1) Every person intending to avail the facility of sewerage system or use of sanitation services managed by PHED, shall make an application in Form I hereto to the concerned Executive Engineer with the following documents and fee as specified in rule 5 hereto,—

- (a) Location sketch with landmarks in the vicinity of applicant’s premises.
- (b) Documents concerning ownership, order of tenancy/mundcar, patta etc.

(2) After verifying the documents and making inquiry regarding feasibility of providing the sewerage connection at site, the Assistant Engineer may advise the applicant regarding modifications required in the sewerage and plumbing lines of the building. He shall ask the applicant to pay the security deposit and then release the connection after compliance of his advice.

(3) Every application received under sub-rule (1) shall be disposed by the concerned Executive Engineer as per provisions of sub-sections (3) and (4) of section 3 of the Act.

**4. Categories of Consumers.**— Categories of Consumers who could avail the services under the Act shall be as specified below:

(1) *Domestic Category:*

Consumers having treated piped water supply connection lawfully obtained from water supply systems controlled by PHED or by their own arrangements, partly or fully, for potable water or otherwise, resulting into the generation of wastewater/sewage.

(2) *Commercial Category:*

Consumers having treated piped water supply connection for commercial use lawfully obtained from water supply systems controlled by PHED or through a tanker to make up their demand for commercial use or otherwise, resulting into generation of wastewater/ sewage.

(3) *Industrial Category:*

Small industrial establishments engaged in fabrication, manufacture, or process industry having any kind of water supply arrangement, permanent or otherwise, which results into generation of wastewater/sewage. The effluent should be within the permission limits published by the GOI i.e. CPHEEO (see rule 15(5)).

(4) *Public Places:* Public places generating waste water/sewage.

**5. Sewerage Charges.**— All consumers generating waste water/sewage and are availing facility of having connection to sewerage and sanitation system developed by the Government shall pay the following charges which would increase @5% (Five per cent) every 3 (Three) years on 1<sup>st</sup> January of Fourth year commencing from 01.01.2024:

(1) *Domestic Category:* (i) Family with water supply facility: Rs. 150.00 per month for both metered or un-metered water supply connections.

(ii) Family without water supply facility : Rs. 100.00 per month.

(iii) Family with uncertain member : Rs. 100.00 per toilet per month.

(2) *Commercial Category:*

(A) Hospitals : (i) Upto 100 beds : Rs. 1200.00 per month.

(ii) Above 100 beds : Rs.1500.00 per month.

(B) Hostels : Upto 100 rooms : Rs. 1000.00 per month.

(C) Hotels : Upto 100 rooms : Rs. 1500.00 per month.

(D) Industries : Rs. 1200 per month.

(3) *Public Places:* Rs. 100 per toilet per month.

**6. Connection Charges.**— The following connection charges shall be paid by a person while availing connection to sewerage system developed by PHED.

(a) *Domestic / Hostels* : Rs. 1500/- per connection.

(b) *Commercial places:* Rs. 5000/- per connection.

(d) *Public Places:* Rs. 1000/- per connection

### 7. Delayed payment charges, penalties and fine.—

(1) The delayed payment charges @ 2% of billed amount shall become due and payable if bill amount is not paid within the due date.

(2) The water supply connection shall be liable for disconnection without notice if three consecutive bills remain unpaid.

(3) The re-connection of water supply will be effected only on payment of entire outstanding bill with 2% fine over and above the delayed payment charges as well as sewerage charges on receiving specific application for re-connection with proof of payment. The concerned Executive Engineer shall approve the re-connection.

**8. Inspection Charges.—** In case any party is affected by any act or omission by the consumer availing the services under the Act or these rules, he shall approach to the Executive Engineer for inspection of the sewerage system of the building of said consumer, on payment of Rs. 100/- (Rupees five hundred) for domestic category and Rs. 200/- (Rupees one thousand) for other categories. These charges are not refundable.

**9. Security Deposits.—** The security deposit payable at the time of taking connection to the sewerage system shall be as under:

- (i) Domestic / Hostels : Rs. 1500/-
- (ii) Commercial category: Rs. 5000/-
- (iv) Public places: Rs. 1000/-.

**10. Inspection of sewerage system, etc.—** (1) The Executive Engineer may cause inspection of building, construction site or public place, and take up additional sewerage network if the public sewer is not available for effective conveyance of wastewater/sewage from such building.

(2) The Executive Engineer may cause inspection of building sewerage, wastewater / sewerage systems of public places causing nuisance and pollution posing threat to sanitation and public health and order for rectification of defects and disconnect of water supply connection from the sewerage system and/or water supply distribution network respectively, until such time the nuisance or pollution is removed by the consumer at his cost to the satisfaction Executive Engineer.

(3) In the event of any developmental activity is undertaken by the authorities/ department or agencies of State Government, Government of India, private developers, Government undertakings, which will affect existing or proposed sewerage system and sanitation services under control of PHEID, the Chief Engineer should invariably be consulted by the respective authority department or agency before commencement of such developmental activity and the actual cost involved in restoring, repairing or reconstruction of sewerage and sanitation services affected shall be borne by concerned authority/department or agency as determined by the Chief Engineer. The funds to cover the cost restoration should be deposited with the Chief Engineer before commencement of the work.

**11. Bills and Payments.—** (1) The bills for the services under the Act may be clubbed with the bills for water supply wherever possible. It will be treated as one bill for all the purposes of payments, recoveries, penalties and fines imposed under the Act.

(2) The bill may be issued normally every four month and shall be paid within the due date specified therein failing which it will attract delayed payment charges to be levied and subsequent actions as provided hereinabove.

(3) Bills will be issued as per the billing cycle and the consumers are advised to watch for timely receipt of bill. If the bills are not received within a period of seven days from normal date of issue of bill, the consumer should enquire about it at the local office where the bills are prepared.

(4) The arrears of unpaid bills, penalties, fines, inspection charges, cost of repairs and restoration of sewerage system and any other dues from the consumer shall be recovered as arrears of land revenue, if payments are not effected by the consumer within the date specified in the notice of demand.

(5) The bills may be paid through the authorized financial institutions like banks, collection centers, bill section offices or as specified by the Chief Engineer. Non receipt of bill can not be an excuse for non payment. Consumers have to be pro active while clearing bills.

#### 12. Procedure for redressal of disputes.—

(1) The Government, on receiving the reference of disputes between the parties, shall immediately issue notice to the parties to dispute and instruct them to appear before it in person or through duly authorized representative on a specified date, time and venue.

(2) For the purpose of these rules, the Government shall have the same powers as are vested in a civil court under Code of Civil Procedure, 1908 (5 of 1908), in respect of the following matters, namely:—

- (i) summarizing and enforcing the attendance of any defendant or witness and examining the witness on oath;
- (ii) the discovery and production of any document or other material object producible as evidence;
- (iii) the reception of evidence on affidavits;
- (iv) issuing of any commission for the examination of any witness;
- (v) any other matter which may be specified by the Government.

(3) Every dispute shall be heard as expeditiously as possible and endeavour shall be made to decide the same within a period of six months from the date of receipt of notice by opposite party.

(4) The Government shall not hear any reference made after expiry of 180 days from arising of dispute.

#### 13. Appeal:

(1) Every appeal to be filed to the Appellate Authority shall be in the form of Memo of Appeal accompanied by the order against which the appeal is preferred and fee in the form of Court fee stamp of Rs. 100/- (Rupees one hundred only).

(2) The Appellate Authority shall immediately give notice to both parties and instruct them to appear before it, either in person or through duly authorized representative, on a specified date, time and venue.

(3) The Appellate Authority shall give full opportunity to the parties to present their case.

(4) Every appeal shall be heard as expeditiously as possible and endeavour shall be made to decide the same within a period of six months from the date of receipt of notice by opposite party.

14. Composition and functions of Technical Committee.— (1) 'Technical Committee' shall consist of following members, namely:—

1. Chief Engineer, PHED in-charge of Sewerage and Sanitation Services - Chairperson
2. Director of Health Services, Government of Manipur - Member
3. Chairman, Manipur Pollution Control Board - Member
4. A member who is considered as an expert in the subject in the opinion of the Chairperson - Member
5. Superintending Engineer of PHED will function as - Member Secretary

The Technical Committee shall advise the Government on measures to be taken for improvement of sewerage system and sanitation services in the best interests of public. It will also decide the terms and conditions for taking over the sewerage and sanitation facilities developed by other bodies as provided in terms of section 6 of the Act.

**15. Technical parameters and specifications.—** (1) The sewerage system of building shall join the public sewer at angle not exceeding 60 degrees with reference to alignment of public sewer and in the direction of flow. Any variation will be the exception compelled by the site conditions, which will not give rise to any problems detrimental to the public sewer.

(2) The sewerage system of building joining the public sewer shall not include the septic tank and soak pits existing, if any. The alignment of pipes and location of manholes, inspection chambers, gully traps, as well as additions, modifications and specifications thereof, required for the sewerage system of buildings proposed to be joined by sewerage connection shall be all as advised and approved by the Assistant Engineer concerned.

(3) The sewer immediately at the upstream of manhole on the public sewer shall not be at a gradient flatter than 1:90 and steeper than 1:15 as far as possible.

(4) The Executive Engineer shall decide about the location, specifications and other technical parameters of the manhole or inspection chamber, in the event more than one building sewerage systems are to be joined with one and the same manhole on public sewerage system. The Executive Engineer shall decide to connect or extend the sewerline to any other premises to facilitate additional connections to the manhole or inspection chamber.

(5) The characteristics of the wastewater/sewage, which can join the sewerage system shall be as per the Schedule appended to these rules. Relaxation or tightening of these standards for entry of wastewater/sewage into the public sewer shall be as per the advice to the Government by the Technical Committee in respect of specific cases. The Government may approve or reject the recommendations of the Technical Committee for the reasons recorded in writing.

(6) Unless otherwise advised by the Technical Committee, the following categories of wastewater/sewage shall not be connected to the public sewer system, notwithstanding the fact that they meet the standards/specifications/characteristics as laid down hereinabove:

- (a) Storm water, surface water, ground water, roof run-off, or sub-surface polluted water.
- (b) Liquid or liquefied wastewater/sewage resulting from all categories of hazardous wastes specified in the Schedule to the Hazardous Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 1989 and amendments thereof.
- (c) Industrial effluents not treated to the standards laid down by the Manipur Pollution Control Board.
- (d) Bio-medical wastes in liquid or liquefied form and wastewater/sewage resulting out of liquid ash after incineration.
- (e) Any other wastewater/sewage causing disruption or nuisance by virtue of its entry into the public sewer system.



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