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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

SOCIAL WELFARE AND NUTRITIOUS MEAL PROGRAMME DEPARTMENT

APPOINTMENT OF THE CHILD MARRIAGE PROHIBITION OFFICER UNDER THE PROHIBITION OF CHILD MARRIAGE ACT, 2006.

[G.O. (Ms.) No. 169, Social Welfare and Nutritious Meal Programme (SW5) 30th December 2009.]

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In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (4) of section 16 of the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 (Central Act 6 of 2007), the Governor of Tamil Nadu hereby appoints the District Social Welfare Officer of each District as the Child Marriage Prohibition Officer. He shall have jurisdiction over the District concerned. Such Child Marriage Prohibition Officers are vested with the following powers:—

- (1) Preliminary enquiry
- (2) Enquiry about the age of the child not only the marriage but other ceremonies relating to marriage (like betrothal etc).
- (3) To assist the Police during arrest of the offender and during search and seizure.
- (4) To assist the Police during confiscation of the vehicles used for marriage, sealing the place, etc.
- (5) In the case of bogus certificate issued by any authority or person such authority or person shall be charged as abettors in this case.
- (6) In case, accused being a public servant it should be informed to his Superior Officer.
- (7) To implement the orders passed under Section 3, 4 and 5 of the said Act.
- (8) Interim or permanent maintenance order can be enforced by this Officer.
- (9) Confession made before this Officer may be admissible in evidence.

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