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NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

TAMIL DEVELOPMENT AND INFORMATION DEPARTMENT

THE TAMIL NADU STATE NEWS MEDIA REPRESENTATIVE ACCREDITATION RULES, 2023.

[G.O. Ms. No. 117, Tamil Development and Information (Admin 4) Department, 13th July 2023,
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No. SRO A-25(e)/2023.

1. Short title, commencement and application – (1) These rules may be called the Tamil Nadu State News Media Representative Accreditation Rules, 2023.

(2) These rules shall come into force at once.

(3) These rules shall apply to the accreditation of News Media Representatives by the Government.

2. Definition:- In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,

- (a) "accreditation" means recognition accorded to News Media Representative by the Government for the purpose of access to source of information in the Government and also to news materials, written or pictorial, released by the Information and Public Relations Department or other Departments of the Government;
- (b) "Broadcasting Concern" means All India Radio, Chennai which operates under the Prasar Bharati (Broadcasting Corporation of India) Act, 1990 (Central Act No.25 of 1990);
- (c) "Committee" means the State News Media Accreditation Committee constituted in rule 3 for the purpose of granting accreditation to the News Media Representatives in the State;
- (d) "Director" means the Director of Information and Public Relations Department of the Tamil Development and Information Department of the Government;
- (e) "Editor" means the person who controls the selection of the matter that is published in a Daily News Paper or News Agency or Satellite Television News Channel carrying News Segment and Reports;

- (f) "feature Agency" means an organization which supplies features on specific subjects or incidents for publication or broadcast or telecast to News Papers, Radio and News Television Stations;
- (g) "form" means a form appended to these rules;
- (h) "Government" means the Government of Tamil Nadu;
- (i) "News Agency" means an organization that supplies or provides news reports to media organizations including News Paper, Magazine, Radio and News Television Stations;
- (j) "News Media" means daily news paper, news agency, feature agency, broadcasting concern, satellite television news channel;
- (k) "News Media Representative" means -
- (i) The Editor News, Chief of Bureau, Sub-Editor News, Correspondent, Reporter, Photographer, Editor-cum-Reporter representing any news paper, news agency, feature agency, broadcasting concern;
 - (ii) Editor News or Bureau Chief, Correspondent, Reporter, Photographer, Cameraman or Videographer of Television;
- (l) "News Paper" means any daily publication containing public news or comments on Public matter published on every day. The size of News Paper is minimum 52 cm x 33 cm;
- (m) "State" means the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (n) "Sub-Committee" means a Committee formed by the Director of Information and Public Relations Department in Chennai City Headquarters to scrutinize or verify the applications received from the News Media House for issuing the Accreditation Card;
- (o) "Television" means the Doordarshan Kendra, Chennai, Satellite Television News Channal having telecast of minimum two news bulletins of 15 minutes each day and telecast throughout the State or any Television News Production Organisation;

3. Constitution of State News Media Accreditation Committee:-

The Government may constitute the State News Media Accreditation Committee consisting of the following members for granting accreditation to the News Media Representatives, namely:

- (i) Director of Information and Public Relations (DIPR) – Chairperson;
 - (ii) Additional Director (Public Relations) - Member Secretary;
 - (iii) Additional Director (Information) - Member;
 - (iv) Two News Media Representatives, working as News Editor or Chief of Bureau in the Newspaper published in the State, having circulation of minimum of 25,000 copies per day - Member;
 - (v) Two News Media Representatives, working as Chief News Reporter in the Newspaper published from the State, having circulation of minimum of 25,000 copies per day - Member;
 - (vi) Two News Media Representatives, working as News Editor or Bureau Chief in the Satellite Television News Channel - Member;
 - (vii) Two News Media Representatives, working as Chief News Reporter in Satellite Television News Channel - Member;
- ### 4. Eligibility of Committee Members from News Media – (1) The eligibility of the News Media Representatives being selected as Committee Members shall be as follows:
- (i) for members falling under sub-rule 3(iv), must have experience for a period of not less than five years as a full-time Sub-Editor News or News Editor in Daily News Paper;
 - (ii) for members falling under sub-rule 3(v), must have experience for a period of not less than ten years as a full-time Chief News Reporter in Daily News Paper;
 - (iii) for members falling under sub-rule 3(vi); must have experience for a period of not less than five years as a full-time Sub-Editor News or News Editor in the Satellite Television News Channel;

- (iv) for members falling under sub-rule 3(vii); must have experience for a period of not less than ten years as a full-time Chief News Reporter in Satellite Television News Channel;

(2) The members nominated by the Government to be part of the Committee shall not have been convicted or found guilty / liable, by any Court or Regulatory Authority, of serious offence involving spread of false information or causing disruption of public safety and Order.

5. Functions of the Committee:- The Committee shall -

- (a) grant, reject or withdraw accreditation to News Media Representatives;
- (b) renew accreditation to News Media Representatives;
- (c) review the list of accreditation of News Media Representatives;
- (d) ratify the grant of temporary accreditation given by the Director; and
- (e) review its own decision.

6. Term of Office of the Members of the Committee:-

- (1) The term of office of the members of the Committee shall be two years from the date of their nomination

(2) If any casual vacancy is caused in the office of the member of the committee due to removal, resignation, death, illness or any other reason before expiry of the period of two years, a new member may be nominated by the Government in such vacancy to hold office for the remaining period:

Provided that the member to be nominated in the vacancy shall represent the category referred to in rule 3 in which the vacancy had occurred.

Provided further that any vacancy is filled, during the tenure of the existing Committee, the term of the said Member would expire at the end of the tenure of the Committee.

(3) In the event of expiry of the tenure of the Committee and till the new Committee is constituted, with the prior permission of the Secretary to the Government, Tamil Development and Information Department, the Director, Information and Public Relations Department, will be permitted to issue temporary Accreditation Cards, which will be valid for a period of six months, within which the Government shall complete the constitution of the new Committee Members.

(4) Due to administrative or legal or unforeseen circumstances, if more than six months period has lapsed without formation of the Committee, Accreditation Cards may be issued, by the Director, Information and Public Relations Department, after getting due sanction from the Government.

7. Meeting of the Committee:-

- (1) The Committee shall meet at least once in three months.
- (2) The Member Secretary shall be the Convener of the Committee.

8. Quorum:

The quorum for the Committee meeting shall be not less than five members.

9. Notice of meeting:- The Member Secretary shall give seven clear days' notice through acceptable modes of communication including e-mail, before convening a meeting of the Committee:

Provided that in case of emergency, the Member Secretary shall convene a meeting after giving twenty four hours notice.

10. Revocation / Removal of Member of the Committee:-

(1) The Government, at any juncture, shall remove or revoke the membership of any News Media Representative from the committee, if the Government is of the view that during the course of his Membership or while performing his duty as a News Media Representative under the following circumstances, namely:

(a) If the member in the course of his duties as a News Media Representative conducts himself/herself in an undignified or unprofessional manner;

(b) If the organization to which the Member is associated with, ceases to function or ceases to fulfill the conditions of eligibility;

(c) If the member ceases work in the News Media, such cesser shall be brought to the notice of the Director, Information and Public Relations Department in writing by the Editor News or the Manager or Chief Executive concerned, as the case may be, within fifteen days from the date of such cesser or if it comes to the knowledge of the Director, Information and Public Relations Department by any other means;

(d) If the Editor News or Bureau Chief or Head of the Media Unit or Private Electronic Media wants revocation of the membership to the Committee;

(e) If the member himself applies for removal from the Committee;

(f) If the member has been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information or news;

(2) The Government shall remove or revoke the membership under sub-section (1) only after the party concerned has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard.

11. Application for Accreditation:-

(1) Where a News Media Representative, working in Chennai City, desires Accreditation, under these rules, he shall make an application, as prescribed in the FORM and to be forwarded through the respective News Media House, the applicant works for, to the Director, Information and Public Relations Department.

(2) The Applications submitted will be scrutinized or verified by the Chairperson of the Accreditation Committee by forming a Sub-Committee, headed by an Officer not less than the rank of Assistant Director of Information and Public Relations Department. The said verification report along with the Application will be placed before the Accreditation Committee for appropriate decision to grant the Accreditation Card.

(3) In so far as Applicants desiring Accreditation and those who work outside Chennai City, in other District Headquarters, they can submit the application, through their respective News Media House, to the District Collector concerned.

(4) The District Collector shall cause verification or scrutiny, with the Information and Public Relation Officer of the concerned district. The said verification report along with the Application will be forwarded by the District Collector to the Chairperson of the Accreditation Committee which in turn will be placed before the Accreditation Committee for appropriate decision to grant the Accreditation Card.

12. Circulation of Names:-

The applications together with such other details as may be available and particulars of proposals for accreditation, if any, shall be circulated to the members of the Committee along with the notice of the meeting.

13. Accreditation:

(1) The State News Media Accreditation Committee has the right to recommend or reject grant of accreditation

(2) Accreditation can normally be granted to the News Media Representatives working in news paper, news agency, feature agency, All India Radio and Satellite Television News Channel which have been in existence for a period of not less than one year prior to the date of application for accreditation.

(3) If the committee, for the reasons duly recorded in its minutes, decides not to grant accreditation to an applicant, the fact of such decision shall be communicated to the applicant.

(4) (a) In the case of suspension or closure of a newspaper, news agency, feature agency, Satellite Television News Channel for over a month, the News Media Representative shall surrender the accreditation forthwith to the Member Secretary;

(b) If however, such newspaper, news agency, feature agency and Satellite Television News Channel resumes publication or telecasting within a period of two months from the date of suspension or closure, the accreditation surrendered earlier may be restored by the Member Secretary on application being made by the News Media Representative, forwarded through the News Media House.

(5) Accreditation shall not be granted to the Representatives and Cameraman or Videographer of online news channels and private local television channels.

14. Accreditation in Emergent Cases:

The Chairperson has the power to grant accreditation to a News Media Representative temporarily for a period of Six Months, in case of emergency or if the Committee is not able to convene a meeting as prescribed in rule 7. He should however, bring the fact to the notice of the Committee in the next meeting held immediately after the grant of such temporary accreditation, for ratification.

15. Number of News Media Representatives to be accredited:-

(1) In Chennai City (Headquarters),-

- (a) In the case of News Paper, published in Chennai, Accreditation may be granted to a maximum of eleven representatives, (Nine Editor News or Sub Editor News or Correspondent or Reporters and two photographers) working in Chennai City;
- (b) For the Newspapers published outside Chennai, Accreditation may be granted to a maximum of two representatives, (One Correspondent or Reporter and One photographer) working in Chennai city, subject to the approval of the Committee;
- (c) In case of Television News Production Organization, Accreditation may be granted to a maximum of ten representatives (Eight Editor News or Correspondent or Reporters and two Videographers) working in Chennai City, based in Tamil Nadu;
- (d) For the Television News Production Organization based outside Tamil Nadu, Accreditation may be granted to a maximum of six representatives (Four Editor News or Correspondent or Reporters and two Videographers) working in Chennai City, based in Tamil Nadu;
- (e) In case of News Agency and Feature Agency accreditation may be granted to a maximum of six representatives (Four Editor News or Correspondent or Reporters and two Photographers or Videographers) each, working in Chennai City, subject to the approval of the Committee.

(2) In other District Headquarters –

- (a) In case of News Papers published in Tamil Nadu with Printing and Edition in other Districts, Accreditation may be granted to a maximum of two Representatives and one Photographer, working in District Headquarters, in the respective districts;
- (b) in case of News Papers published in Tamil Nadu without Printing and Edition in other Districts, Accreditation may be given to one Representative and one Photographer working in District Headquarters, in the respective districts;
- (c) in case of News Papers published from other States, Accreditation may be granted to one Representative and one Photographer, working in the District Headquarters, in each other district;
- (d) in case of Television News Production Organization, Accreditation may be granted to one Representative and one Videographer, working in the District Headquarters, in each other district;
- (e) in case of News Agency and Feature Agency, Accreditation may be granted to one Representative, working in the District Headquarters, in each other district

16. Eligibility criteria for Newspaper:-

The following conditions have to be fulfilled by the Daily News Papers, for the accreditation of their Representatives to be considered:

- (a) a daily News Paper having Registrar of Newspapers for India Certification and a minimum circulation of 10,000 copies is eligible for accreditation to its Representatives;
- (b) the contents of the News Papers shall include news emanating from the Government and its departments on social, political, economic, developments and other matters of public interest or public importance. The News Paper should contain 50% news out of the total print area, such as articles, reports, editorial, current news but not fiction;
- (c) a daily News Paper shall be published in all days;
- (d) no daily Newspaper shall be extended accreditation facility without Registrar of Newspapers of India registration number;

- (e) the Newspaper should have been in existence continuously for a period of one year prior to the date of application for accreditation;
- (f) the daily News Papers circulating above 10,000 copies per issue shall submit Audit Bureau of Circulation or Indian Readership Survey Certificate in support of the circulation claimed and the Chartered Accountant Certificate shall not be accepted as proof of circulation. However, the Committee may consider the Chartered Accountant Certificate as proof of circulation in case of new dailies for a maximum period of three years from the date of commencement;
- (g) the Newspaper shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information or news, or for disrupting Public Order and tranquility, in the last five years.

17. Eligibility criteria for Television:-

The following conditions have to be fulfilled by the Television Organization, for the accreditation of their Representatives to be considered:

- (a) the Satellite Television News Media having a minimum standing of one year is eligible for accreditation;
- (b) only Satellite Television News Channels having telecast of minimum 2 news bulletins of 15 minutes each day are eligible for accreditation;
- (c) the Satellite Television News Channel must be approved or permitted by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India; and
- (d) the Television shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information or news, or for disrupting Public Order and tranquility, in the last 5 years.

18. Eligibility Criteria for News Agency & Feature Agency:-

The following conditions have to be fulfilled by the News Agency and Feature Agency, for the accreditation of their Representatives to be considered:

- (a) the news agency or feature agency shall be registered under the Tamil Nadu Shops and Establishments Act, 1947 (Tamil Nadu Act XXXIV of 1947) and Companies Act, 2013 (Central Act No. 18 of 2013) at the time of commencement;
- (b) the news agency or feature agency having a minimum standing of one year is eligible for accreditation;
- (c) a news agency shall use postal, telegraphic or electronic transmission and receiving facilities and shall have minimum of 5 paying subscribers in news media organizations spread over not less than 10 (Ten) districts;
- (d) a feature agency shall have not less than five paying subscribers within Tamil Nadu in news media organization and shall have annual revenue not less than Rs. 2,00,000/- (Two Lakhs); and
- (e) the news agency or feature agency shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information / news, or for disrupting Public Order and tranquility, in the last 5 years.

19. Conditions for Accreditation of News Media Representative:-

Every News Media Representative applying for accreditation shall satisfy the following conditions, namely:-

- (a) He shall be a citizen of India and reside in the State of Tamil Nadu;
- (b) He shall be a full time News Media representative;
- (c) Apart from the above, the following factors shall be taken into consideration for granting accreditation, namely:-
 - (i) News Reporter or Correspondent
 - (a) He shall possess experience for a period of not less than three years as a reporter;
 - (b) He should not be accredited to Press Information Bureau of Government of India or any State Government;

- (c) The organization on whose behalf the accreditation is sought for, qualifies for the grant of such accreditation;
- (d) He shall submit his dispatches or works circulated or produced or broadcasted in the last one year bearing his credit line;
- (e) He shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information or news, or for disrupting public order and tranquility, in the last five years.

(ii) Photographer or Videographer

- (a) He shall possess experience for a period of not less than two years as a Photographer or Videographer;
- (b) He should not be accredited to Press Information Bureau of Government of India or any State Government;
- (c) The organization on whose behalf the accreditation is sought for, qualifies for the grant of such accreditation;
- (d) The applicant shall produce clipping of his dispatches circulated or produced by the media organization on whose behalf accreditation is sought for;
- (e) He shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information / news, or for disrupting public order and tranquility, in the last five years.

(iii) Editor News or Chief of Bureau or Sub-Editor News –

- (a) He shall possess experience for a period of not less than three years as an Editor News or Sub-Editor News;
- (b) He should not be accredited to Press Information Bureau of Government of India or any State Government;
- (c) The organization on whose behalf the accreditation is sought for, qualifies for the grant of such accreditation;
- (d) The applicant shall submit clippings of published dispatches apart from editorials, carrying his / her credit line appearing in the newspaper / periodical / Television concerned;
- (e) He shall not have been convicted or found liable by any Court or Regulatory authority for the offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information/ news, or for disrupting public order and tranquility, in the last five years.

20. Effect of Accreditation:-

(1) Accreditation does not confer any official or special status on the News Media Representative. The Government merely recognize that the accredited News Media Representative represents the media, which employs him.

(2) The accredited News Media Representative shall not have letterheads and visiting cards with the words “Accredited to the Government of Tamil Nadu”.

21. Accreditation is not transferable:-

The accreditation accorded to a News Media Representative is not transferable.

22. Utilisation of Accreditation Card:-

(1) The News Media Representative shall always carry the accreditation card whenever he attends the Press Conference or Function convened by the Government or any authority of the Government.

(2) The Accreditation Card shall not entitle a News Media Representative to attend conferences or visits where admission is restricted by invitation cards and security passes.

23. List of Accredited News Media Representative:-

The Director, Information and Public Relations Department shall maintain a list of Accredited News Media Representatives.

24. Review of the list of Accredited News Media Representatives -

The Committee shall, ordinarily, once in every six months, review the list of Accredited News Media Representatives

25. Term of Accreditation –

Regular accreditation may be granted for a period of one year which shall terminate on the 31st December of each year.

26. Renewal of Accreditation -

(1) An application for renewal of accreditation shall be made by an New Editor of a News Paper or an News Editor or Manager or Chief Executive of a News Agency, Feature Agency, Television, in Form to the Director of Information and Public Relations Department atleast one month before the date of expiry of the validity thereof. Such application shall be placed by the Director, Information and Public Relations Department before the Committee for its decision.

(2) Every application for renewal of accreditation shall be made and disposed of as if it were an application for the grant of accreditation.

27. Withdrawal of Accreditation -

(1) The Accreditation granted to a News Media Representative is liable to be withdrawn if, -

- (a) he uses information and facilities accorded to him for non-journalistic purposes;
- (b) he has been charged with a serious cognizable offences;
- (c) he behaves in the course of his duties as a News Media Representative, in an undignified or unprofessional manner;
- (d) he ignores or violates the conditions on which information and facilities are provided by the Government or acts contrary to any of the provisions of these Rules;
- (e) the organization to which the Accredited News Media Representative is associated with and through which their Application for Accreditation was forwarded, ceases to function or ceases to fulfill the conditions of eligibility;
- (f) the representative ceases work in the News Media through which his Accreditation Application was forwarded, such cesser shall be brought to the notice of the Director of Information and Public Relations Department in writing by the Editor or the Manager or Chief Executive concerned, as the case may be, within fifteen days from the date of such cesser or if it comes to the knowledge of the Director of Information and Public Relations Department by any other means;
- (g) he causes willful publication or telecast or broadcast of news which is incorrect or false, in so far as the Government is concerned;
- (h) the Editor or Bureau Chief or Head of the Media Unit or Private Electronic Media wants cancellation of accreditation to their representatives;
- (i) the News Media Representative himself applies for cancellation of accreditation;
- (j) the News Media or the News Media Representative, upon enquiry is found to have knowingly and willfully published or telecast or broadcast, or caused to publish or telecast or broadcast, any false or misleading information leading to interference or obstruction of Governmental activities or disrupts Public Safety and Order;

(k) the News Media or the News Media Representative has been convicted or found guilty or liable by any Court or Regulatory Authority for offence of spreading false or defamatory or incendiary information or news;

(l) an accredited media person shall not use the words "Accredited to the Government of Tamil Nadu" on public/social media profile, visiting cards, letter heads or on any other form or any published work.

28. Surrender of Accreditation Card etc.–

Immediately on withdrawal of the accreditation by the Committee or on resignation, the News Media Representative shall surrender the accreditation card, bus pass and other facilities accorded to him. Failure to do shall entail in non-consideration of application of such person for accreditation for a period of three years.

29. The Director of Information and Public Relations Department to take action for withdrawal of accreditation –

The Director of Information and Public Relations Department shall, on the advice of the Committee, take action for withdrawal of accreditation after the matter has been informed to the News Editor of the newspaper or the News Editor or Manager of the news agency, feature agency, broadcasting concern or television and after the party concerned, has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard by the Committee. In all cases where there is difference of opinion between the Director of Information and Public Relations Department and the Committee, the matter shall be referred to the Government by the Director of Information and Public Relations Department indicating his views along with the advice tendered by the Committee.

30. Forfeiture of Accreditation on account of absence –

An accredited News Media Representative who is continuously away for three months from the State of Tamil Nadu shall forfeit his accreditation, unless he has intimated in writing through his News Editor or Manager, as the case may be, in advance of his absence. This period may be extended by a further period of three months on request from the News Editor or the Manager concerned in writing.

31. Review by the Committee –

(1) Any News Media Representative who is aggrieved by any decision of the Committee may make a representation to the Committee for review.

(2) Such representation shall be submitted within two months from the date on which the decision in question was communicated to the News Media Representative.

32. Appeal to the Government –

(1) Any News Media Representative who is aggrieved by the decision of the Committee under Rule 5 or 27, may make an Appeal to the Government through the Director of Information and Public Relations Department.

(2) Such Appeal shall be submitted within two months from the date on which the decision in question was communicated to the News Media Representative.

(3) The Government can call for any further information, if required from the Director of Information and Public Relations Department in this regard for the purpose of arriving at a decision.

33. Proceedings of the Committee not invalidated by vacancies, etc.,–

No act or proceedings of the Committee shall become invalid merely by reason of the existence of any vacancy or of any defect or irregularity in the nomination of a member of the Committee.

34. Repeal and Savings -

(1) The Tamil Nadu State Representative Accreditation Rules, (Headquarters) 2002 are hereby repealed.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, the News Media Representative already accredited under the rules repealed under sub-rule (1) shall continue to remain so, for the period for which it was granted under the repealed Rules.

FORM*(See Rule 11 (1))*

APPLICATION FOR NEW AND RENEWAL OF PRESS ACCREDITATION CARD

1) Passport size photo :

2) Name of the applicant :
(In capital letters)3) Designation :
(Please state full time or part time)

4) Date of Birth and Age :

5) Aadhaar Card No. (enclose Copy of the Card) :

6) Name of the Organisation, :
Address, Tel.No. & Fax No.7) Type of organisation :
(Please state Newspaper (Morning)/
Newspaper (Evening)/Radio/
TV Channel/News agency)8) Residential Address, :
Telephone No. Mobile No. e-mail ID9) New / Renewal :
(If renewal previous year Accreditation Card
Xerox copy should be enclosed)10) Whether accredited to PIB of Government :
of India (or) any other State Government
(If yes, please enclose the copy of the card)

11) Experience :

Sl. No.	Period of service			Designation	Name of the Organisation
	From	To	No. of years		

12 (a)	NEWSPAPERS (To be filled in by employer of Newspaper Organisations only)		
Name of the Newspaper (Morning (or) Evening)		Circulation as certified by RNI/ABC (last year)	
RNI Registration No.		Date of such certification	
Language		Subjects covered daily	
Place/Places of Publication		Status of the newspaper	
Size of the pages of Newspapers (Minimum - 52"x33")		Name of the Group/Chain, if any to which the newspaper belongs	
Total No. of pages		If it is a Newspaper group/chain, please give details of the various publications of the Group	

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Publication</i>	<i>Language</i>	<i>Place of Publication</i>	<i>Circulation</i>

12 (b)	TELEVISION (To be filled in by employer of TV Organisations only)		
Name of the Organisation		Number of hours telecast in a day	
Details of permission accorded by Information & Broadcasting Ministry, Government of India.		Method of telecast services offered (Cable, DTH, Web, etc.)	
Date of Commencement of telecast		Schedule of the telecast of news/ Current affairs programme	
Head Quarters of the Organisation		Subject of particular focus by the media concerned.	
		Countries/States/Cities in which the programmes can be watched	

12(c)	NEWS AGENCIES (To be filled in by employer of News Agencies only)		
Name of the Organisation		No. of subscribers	
Date of Establishment		Details of subjects covered	
Frequency of distribution		Number of Correspondents	

SIGNATURE OF THE APPLICANT WITH DATE

13)	Certificate (To be furnished by Editor / Chief of Bureau)
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I hereby certify that the information given in the application form is correct. I also certify that Thiru/Tmt. /Selvi. _____ is on the pay-roll of our organization.

I further state that I will inform to the Information Department, Government of Tamil Nadu within a period of 15 days in case Thiru/Tmt. /Selvi. _____ ceases to be employee of our organization and his / her accreditation card & bus pass will be returned to Information Department immediately.

Signature of the Editor / Chief of Bureau with date

Designation seal with Office seal

PHOTO COPIES OF DOCUMENTS TO BE ATTACHED WITH APPLICATION FORM

1. Three recent Passport size photographs (One to be affixed in the application, One to be affixed in the Fact Sheet, One to be enclosed along with the application with Name & Organisation written on the reverse).
2. Copy of Experience Certificate (not less than 3 years for Editor News / Sub-editor News/ Chief of Bureau/ News reporter / Correspondent and not less than 2 years for Photographer and Videographer or Cameraman) issued by the employer.
3. Copy of Aadhaar Card
4. Newspaper
 - a) Copy of the Registrar of Newspapers for India Certificate, Printer Certificate, Audit Bureau of Circulation Certificate or Indian Readership Survey Certificate, Chartered Accountant Certificate (In case of New daily for a maximum period of three years from the date of commencement)
 - b) The Newspapers circulating upto 10,000 copies per issue shall submit either Audit Bureau of circulation or CA certificate as proof of circulation.
 - c) Last six months Issues (In case of Daily Newspaper)
 - d) In case of Editor News / Sub-editor News / Chief of Bureau, shall submit clippings of published dispatches apart from editorials, carrying his/her credit line appearing in the newspaper/periodical concerned.
 - e) In case of News Reporter / Correspondent, shall submit his/her dispatches or works circulated in the last one year bearing his/her credit line.
 - f) In case of Photographer, shall produce clipping of his/her dispatches circulated or produced by the media organization on whose behalf accreditation is sought for;
5. Satellite Television Channel
 - a) Copy of Viewership of Television (For Satellite Television Channels) and Broadcasting Certificate of the Organization.
 - b) In case of Editor News / Sub-editor News/ Chief of Bureau shall submit his/ her dispatches or works produced in the last one year bearing his/her credit line.
 - c) In case of News Reporter/ Correspondent, shall submit his/her dispatches or works produced in the last one year bearing his/ her credit line.
 - d) In case of Videographer / Cameraman shall produce clipping of his/her dispatches produced by the media organization on whose behalf accreditation is sought for;
6. News Agency/Photo News Agency/News Feature Agency
 - a) Latest list of subscribers and number of districts spread over.
 - b) A Certificate from Chartered Accountant indicating the annual revenue of the agency earned during the last financial year.

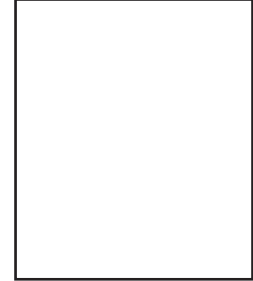
Note:

- a. Applications containing insufficient information and not supported by valid documents are liable to be summarily rejected.
- b. The particulars in the Fact Sheet should be typed.

FACT SHEET

(All the Information should be typed. Handwritten form will be rejected)

1. Passport size Photo :



2. Signature of Applicant :

3. Name :

4. Designation :

5. Place of Work and District :

6. Whether Full time or Part time :

7. Organisation :

8. Residential Address :

9. Mobile No. :

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