

RE ORIENTATION TRAINING A.P. CHARITABLE & HINDU RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS AND ENDOWMENTS ACT 30/1987

HISTORY OF STATUTES

- Madras HR & CE Act-II of 1927)
- T.T.Devasthanams Act – Madras Act-XIX of 1933
- Madras HR & CE Act XIX of 1951
- A.P. Charitable & Hindu Religious Institutions and Endowment Act – 17 of 1966
- Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Act - 20 of 1979
- Present Act – 30 of 1987

Act – 30 of 1987 came in to effect from 28.05.1987

Section 1: This Act extends to the whole of the state of Andhra Pradesh.

Section 2: Archaka Means - Poojari, Panda, An Archakatvam Mirasidar

A person who personally performs or conducts any archana, pooja or other rituals.

Board means - Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams Board

Chairman Means – Chairman of TTD Board

TTD Means – The temples listed under first schedule and Education

Institutions and Charitable institutions included under second schedule.

Hindu includes Budhist, Jains and Sikhs.

Section 6 : a) All temples whose annual income exceeds Rs.25 lakhs

b) All Charitable and Endowment Institutions and Temples whose annual income exceeds Rs.2 lakhs but below Rs.25 Lakhs.

c) All Charitable, Religious Institutions and Endowments not falling under a & b above.

d) All mutts.

e) Dharmadayam Institutions

Section 34: Abolition of hereditary rights of Mirasidars, Archakas and other Office holder and Servants.

- i. Peda jeeyangar, China jeeyangar, a Mirasidar, an Archaka or Poojari or any other service in whatever name it is called- by heredity stand abolished.
- ii. The office holder and servants referred above holding office on the date of commencement of the Act shall be continued, on payment of emoluments.

Section 35 (3):

- Peda Jeeyangar, China Jeeyangar and Mirasidar, Archaka & Poojari holding office on the date of commencement of this Act shall be continued.
- Emoluments – as may be prescribed.

Section 80:

- Any gift, sale, exchange or mortgage of any immovable property of Hindu religious Institutions shall be void without prior sanction of commissioner endowments.

Section 81:

- Any gift, sale, exchange or mortgage of any immovable property of Hindu religious Institutions effected prior to commencement of this Act without sanction of commissioner or government shall be null and void.

Sections 83 to 86 :

- Removal of Encroachments

**CHAPTER – XIV – SECTIONS 95 TO 131 EXCLUSIVELY APPLICABLE TO
T.T.DEVASTHANAMS ONLY**

Section 95:

- The other provisions of this Act are also applicable to TTD subject to provisions of this chapter.
- All temples and institutions under TTD (I & II schedules) shall constitute into a single unit.

Section 96: Constitution of TTD Board

- i. The government shall appoint a Board to the TTD consisting of 29 members (Act – 4 of 2019).
- ii. Composition of TTD Board.
 - a. Chairman
 - b. Ex-officio Members
 - i. Principle Secretary - Rev (Endt.)
 - ii. Commissioner Endowments
 - iii. Chairman Tuda
 - iv. Executive Officer TTD
 - c. Three MLA's
 - d. One person belonging to SC
 - e. One women Member
 - f. Others
- iii. The persons appointed as members of Board shall be the persons professing Hindu religion.

Section 97 : Powers and Functions of the TTD Board

- Overall general Superintendence and review in relation to administration of TTD.
- Takes policy decisions regarding
 - a. Organized darshan to the pilgrims visiting TTD temples
 - b. Amenities to be provided.
 - c. Welfare, safety & Security measures of pilgrims.

- d. Food & sanitation
- e. Prescribing of Dittam.

Section 98 : Qualifications & Disqualifications of Chairman and Members of Board

- As prescribed under sections 18 &19.

Section 99: Term of TTD Board

- Two years subject to the pleasure of the government (Act – 31 of 2019).

Section 106: Appointment of certain officers in TTD by the Government

- a. Executive Officer
- b. Addl.Executive Officer
- c. Joint Executive Officer
- d. FA&CAO
- e. Addl.FA&CAO
- f. Spl.grd.Deputy Executive Officer
- g. CV&SO
- h. Chief Engineer
- i. And any other officers

Section 107: Qualifications for appointment of EO, JEO etc...

Section 108: Term of EO & JEO – 3 years

Section 109: Powers and Functions of The Executive Officer

- 1)
 - a. The Executive Officer shall be the Chief Administrative Officer of TTD
 - b. Proper maintenance and custody of the records & properties of TTD
 - c. Arrange for collection of offerings made in the TTD temples etc.,
- 2) The Executive Officer may delegate any of his powers, functions or duties to the JEO or Spl.Grd.DYEO or other Subordinate Officers.

Section 110: Extraordinary Powers of EO

- The EO may in case of emergency direct to execute any work, any Act not provided in the budget and arrange payments

- He should report the action taken to the Board (committee).

Section 111: FUNDS OF TIRUMALA TIRUPATI DEVASTHANAMS

1. Consolidated funds of TTD – Corpos

- a. Received by way of donations, kanukas and offerings from hundies
 - b. Sale of prasadam
 - c. Sale of Arjitha Seva Tickets, Human Hair etc.,
 - d. Rents from cottages, Rest Houses, Kalyanamandapams, Employees Quarters etc.,
 - e. Sale of Movable and Immovable properties
 - f. Leases & licence of shops, Buildings and Lands
 - g. By such other sources.
2. The TTD Board shall authorise an officer to operate the funds.
 3. The funds of TTD shall be deposited in the scheduled banks or treasury or invested in securities as per the guidelines issued by the Government.

4. The funds of TTD may utilised for the following purposes

- Maintenance, Management and administration of all TTD temples listed under first schedule.
- Maintenance, Management and administration of all Educational and other institutions listed under second schedule
- Propagation of Hindu religion by printing and publication of literature – Sale at concessional price.
- Propagation, promotion and popularisation of Vedas, Hindu religion, Philosophy, Sastras, Indian Languages, Sculpture and Hindu temple Architecture.
- Construction and maintenance of Choultries and Rest houses.
- Water supply and Sanitary arrangements to the pilgrims.
- Establishment and maintenance of hospitals for the pilgrims.
- Roads, communications and lighting for the convenience of pilgrims.
- Acquisition of immovable property for the purpose of TTD.
- Establishment and maintenance of Dairy farm and veterinary hospital.
- Any other purpose of TTD authorised by the Government.

5. Grant to SV University and Sri Padmavathi Mahila University not less than Rs.7 Lakhs in a year.

Section 112: ESTABLISHMENT OF HINDU DHARMA PRACHARA PARISHAD (HDPP)

1. The TTD Board shall establish – HDPP – set apart not less than Rs.1Lakh for maintenance every year.
2. Objects of HDPP.
 - i. Promotion and propagation of Hindu Dharma.
 - ii. Establishment and Maintenance of Institutions for imparting Hindu Dharma.
 - iii. Preparation, publication and dissemination of literature related to Hindu Dharma.
 - iv. Training of Dharma Pracharakas etc.,
 - v. Establishment and Maintenance of Institutions imparting Vadas, Agamas etc., and awarding certificates.
 - vi. Any other purpose connected with above objects.
3. The TTD Board may constitute “ TTD Sanathana Dharma Prachara Sadassu”

Section 113: ESTABLISHMENT OF SRIVENKATESWARA SISHTACHARYA VIDYA

SAMSTHA (SVIHVS)

1. The TTD Board shall establish the above institution.
2. Objects – The following are the schemes run at present
 - a. Veda Pathasalas of TTD
 - b. Kumar Adypaka scheme (now transferred to SV Vedic University)
 - c. Financial aid to Veda Pathasalas (now transferred to SV Vedic University)
 - d. Veda Parayana Scheme
 - I. Vridha pandiths, Kramapatis and Ghanapatis
 - II. Ahithagni scheme
 - III. Any other matter related to Vedic Studies

Section 114: CIVIC ADMINISTRATION OF TIRUMALA HILLS

1. The government shall notify the limits of Tirumala hills area in AP gazette – 10 1/3 sq Miles.

2.
 - a) The Government by notification in AP gazette shall extend the Provisions of AP panchayath Raj Act 1994 & AP Public Health Act 1939 the Tirumala hills area.
 - b) Tirumla hills area shall be notified as village for the purpose of AP panchayath Raj Act 1994 & AP public health Act 1939. The powers and functions of the Sarpanch, Executive Officer or Executive authority under AP Panchayath Raj Act 1994 & AP Public Health Act 1939 shall vest with the Executive officer, TTD in Tirumala Village.
3.
 - a) The Executive Officer, TTD has prohibited the following activities within Tirumala hills area and temples listed under first schedule.
 - I. Begging
 - II. straying of Cattle, Pigs or Dogs
 - III. possession, use or consumption of any intoxicating, liquor or drugs or cigarettes etc.,
 - IV. Possession use or consumption or preparation of meat or other foods containing meat.
 - V. Killing or maiming of any animals or birds.
 - VI. Gaming with cards, dice etc.,
 - VII. Tonsuring or running hair dressing saloon by any person other than a person employed by the EO, TTD
 - VIII. Unlicensed hawkers and vendors
 - IX. Dealing with Seva tickets, prasadam and accommodation of TTD except by the persons authorised by TTD.
 - b) Any person violated shall be punishable with imprisonment up to three months or with fine up to Rs.500/- or both.
 - c) Cases to be dealt by JFCM under CRPC
 - d) The Executive Officer, TTD may award penalty of Rs.500/- by compounding the offence without filing cases.
4. The Government may authorise the EO, TTD to levy tolls on Ghat Roads.

Section 116: BUDGET

1. The Executive Officer shall in each financial year submit the budget showing the probable receipts and expenditure before 15th January every year for approval of TTD Board and the Government.
2. The Government may sanction the budget before 31st March
3. If the Government has not sanctioned the budget before the end of March the TTD board may permit to spent 1/12th of the budget in the months of April & May.

Section 118: REMOVAL OF ENCROACHMENTS - The provisions in sections 83 to 86 shall apply.

Section 120: APPEALS

- I. Any person aggrieved by the orders of The JEO or EO may file appeal before the TTD Board (Committee) within 90 days. (1st Appeal)
- II. Aggrieved by the orders of TTD board (committee) to the government within 90 days. (2nd Appeal)
- III. The Executive Officer, TTD shall not participate in the deliberations of TTD Board in the appeals.

Section 121: REVISION - The Government may either *suo motu* or an application revise the orders already passed within 90 days.

Section 122: REVIEW - The Government may either *suo motu* or an application within 90 days review any orders passed under section 120 or section 121.

Section 124: OATH OF OFFICE

- Before assumption of the charge the Chairman and Members of the Board shall take oath of office and oath of secrecy.
- The Executive Officer, TTD or any officer authorised by him shall administer oath with the Chairman and Members.

Section 125: An Administrative report on the affairs Of TTD shall be placed before the TTD Board within three months after close of each financial year.

Section 126: Meeting of Board or Committee:

- Meeting shall be presided over by the Chairman. In his absence by the commissioner endowments.
- The decision shall be by a majority vote.
- The Chairman shall have casting vote in the event of tie.

Section 131: The Government shall cause inspection of TTD annually by nominating an officer above the rank of EO, TTD.

Section 137: Appointment of specified authority

- In the absence of the Board the Government may appoint a specified authority for a term not exceeding one year.

Section 144: Abolition of shares in Hundi and other rusums.

- ❖ The shares payable to any trustee, Dharmakartha, Archaka or Mirasidar in Kanukas offered either in kind or in cash, either in Hundi or Plate or in Archana or Seva Tickets, tickets for tonsuring or any kind of collections from the devotees are abolished in the temples whose annual income exceeds Rs.5 Lakhs.

Section 153: The Government may after previous notification in the AP gazette make rules for carrying out all or any of the purpose of this Act.

Section 161: ARCHAKAS WELFARE FUND

- All Religious charitable institutions except TTD whose annual income exceeds Rs.25 Lakhs shall contribute 3% of its income annually to the Archakas and other Employees Welfare Fund.
- The TTD shall contribute such sum as may be specified by the Government from time to time.

Section 162: CONSTITUTION OF ENDOWMENT TRIBUNAL

- ❖ The Government may constitute as many Tribunals as it may think fit for determination of any disputes relating to charitable and religious institutions and its properties.

- ❖ The Tribunal consists of a Chairman and one other member appointed by the Government.
- ❖ The Chairman shall be in the rank of District Judge and member shall be in the rank of Additional Commissioner Endowments.