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I. INTRODUCTION

The Department of Prisons and Correctional Services play an integral and essential part in the administration of Criminal Justice system. The primary objective of the Department is not only to confine prisoners but also to reform, rehabilitate and reintegrate them with the society after their release, thereby reducing recidivism. To realize this objective, Education, Skill Development, Vocational Training, Training in Yoga, Meditation and other life skills are imparted to the prisoners to nurture a wholistic Development that cater the individualistic, family and societal needs of the prisoners.

Consistent and conscious efforts are made in accordance with progressive reformative penal policies to modernize the prisons and to improve the standard of living conditions in prisons.

II. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Department of Prisons and Correctional Services functions under the Home Department of the Government. The Department is headed by a senior I.P.S. Officer in the rank of Director General of Police. He is assisted by a Deputy Inspector General of Prisons at Headquarters and five Deputy Inspector General of Prisons at Chennai, Vellore, Trichy, Coimbatore and Madurai Ranges. The organizational structure of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services is given in **Annexure-I.**

The Superintendents of Prisons are controlling the administration of Central Prisons, District Jails, Special Sub Jails, Sub Jails, Open Air Prisons and Borstal Schools under their

respective jurisdictions. The women Superintendents of Prisons are controlling the administration of Special Prisons for Women at Puzhal, Trichy and Vellore. The women Additional Superintendent of Prisons are controlling the Administration of Special Prisons for Women at Coimbatore and Madurai. The Additional Superintendents of Prisons are in-charge of District Jails and assist the Superintendents of Prisons in supervising the Special Sub Jails, Open Air Prisons, Sub Jails and Borstal Schools in their respective districts.

The Department of Prisons and Correctional Services also includes personnel in the cadre of Jailor / Deputy Jailor / Assistant Jailor / Chief Head Warder / Grade-I Warder / Grade-II Warder/ Technical / Non-Technical/ Correctional / Medical and Ministerial staff.

The total cadre strength of the Department as on 28.02.2022 is **5452**.

There are 142 Prisons under the control of Department of Prisons and Correctional Services, which includes 9 Central Prisons, 5 Special Prisons for Women, 14 District Jails, 89 Sub Jails for Men, 7 Sub Jails for Women, 1 Special Sub Jail for Men, 2 Special Sub Jails for Women, 12 Borstal Schools and 3 Open Air Prisons.

The total authorized capacity of all the prisons in the State is **24,342.** The prison wise authorized accommodation is given in **Annexure-II**.

III. PRISON ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCHES

The following branches are functioning in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services.

i) Intelligence cum Vigilance Wing

An "Intelligence cum Vigilance Wing" is functioning in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services which consists of 20 officials deputed from Police Department and 13 officials from Department of Prisons and Correctional Services. The wing monitors the activities of the prisoners and prison personnel and collect important and sensitive information for effective management of the Prison Administration and exchange intelligence with other intelligence agencies.

ii) Probation Wing

The Probation Wing is functioning as part of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services since 1946 which is headed by the Chief Probation Superintendent. He is assisted by 12 Regional Probation Officers and 64 Probation Officers.

The Probation Officers render assistance to the Courts of Judicial Magistrates in implementing the Probation of Offenders Act, 1958 and Tamil Nadu Borstal School Act, 1925 by submitting enquiry reports after making enquiries for court regarding the behavior

pattern of the offenders and their living conditions. They also supervise the offenders released on probation and attend to their rehabilitation.

Their main function is to secure the first offenders on probation subject to certain conditions instead of committing them in prisons. The officials of Probation Wing visit the Prisons, interview them concerning their needs and examine their specific requests such as education of their children, loan for family members for their livelihood, employment assistance for convicts after their release etc. They function as a bridge between the prisoners and their families.

They also visit to Police lockups in order to ensure that there is no violation of Human Rights as ordered by the Government.

iii) Technical Wing

A Technical Wing has been created in the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services, Head quarters and in all Central Prisons which consists of one Inspector (Technical) and 10 Sub Inspectors (Technical) for the maintenance and upkeep of the modern gadgets provided to the Department.

iv) Motor Transport Wing

A Reserve Inspector of Police (Category II) is responsible in the Motor Transport Wing for the maintenance of all vehicles used in the Department.

v) Legal Cell

A Legal Advisor in the cadre of Assistant Public Prosecutor (Grade-I) drawn from the Directorate of Prosecution is heading the "Legal Cell" created at the Headquarters of Director General of Police/Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services to render legal advice and assistance in court cases in the Department.

IV. DEVELOPMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES Recruitment

Department of In the Prisons and Correctional Services vacancies for the post of Grade II Warders (Men and Women) are being recruited through Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board. At present 102 men and 17 women have been recruited by the Tamil Nadu Uniformed Services Recruitment Board and appointed to the post of Grade II Warder. They are under six months basic training at Warders Centre, Trichy Training from 14.03.2022 onwards.

Eligible candidates for the post of Jailor (Men and Women) are being recruited through Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission by Direct Recruitment. In G.O.(Ms)No.181, Home (Prison-1) Department, Dated 08.04.2022, one candidate was appointed as Jailor by Direct Recruitment.

The vacancies for the six posts of Jailor (men) and two posts of Jailor (Women) have been communicated to Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission for filling up of these posts through Direct Recruitment and the issue of Notification is under consideration of the Commission.

The post of Psychologist are being filledup through Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission by Direct Recruitment. In G.O.(Ms)No.327, Home (Prison-1) Department, Dated 12.08.2021, two candidates were appointed as Psychologist by Direct Recruitment.

The vacancies for the four posts of Psychologist have been communicated to Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission for filling up through Direct Recruitment and the issue of Notification is under consideration of the Commission.

Eligible candidates for the post of Assistant Jailors (Men and Women) and Probation Officers are also being recruited through the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission by Direct Recruitment.

For the post of Probation Officer, 2 vacancies have been notified by the Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission on 23.02.2022.

Training

i) Academy of Prisons and Correctional Administration (APCA), Vellore

Academy of Prisons and Correctional Administration has been established at Vellore in 1979 for imparting training to the prison officials in the field of Correctional Methods and Prison Management. It is a Joint Training Centre of the five Southern States, namely, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka and Kerala. The expenditure of this institution is equally shared by the above five Southern States.

ii) Warders Training

Warders Training Centre has been established at Vellore under the control of the Superintendent of Prisons, Central Prison, Vellore, to impart basic training to warders with a capacity to train 130 persons. It has all supporting staff and other facilities.

The six months basic training includes drill, training in weapons and Rules and Regulation of Prison Management with special emphasis on Human Rights to the newly recruited Grade-II Warders.

The Deputy Jailors, Assistant Jailors, Chief Head Warders, Grade I Warders, Grade II Warders are also under going general refresher courses periodically at Warders Training Centre, Vellore.

The Police Commando School at Marutham, Chennai is also utilized by this Department to impart training to Warders in martial arts such as Karate, Silambam, Unarmed Combat, Commando training and Bomb Detection and Disposal course.

iii) Other Training

National Level Training Courses on Human Rights, Prison Management, etc., are conducted by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Lok Nayak Jayaprakash Narayan National Institute of Criminology and Forensic Science (LNJN NICFS) and National Crime Records Bureau (NCRB), New Delhi and other States. The Officers in the Department are getting training in the National Level Training Courses.

V. CATEGORIES OF PRISONS

Central Prisons are meant for confinement of prisoners who are sentenced to death, life imprisonment and imprisonment for a period exceeding three months, prisoners convicted for major offences, notorious, habitual and high risk categories, civil debtors and detenus. Under trial and remand prisoners are lodged in Central Prisons as per classification and segregation are kept separately in different blocks accordingly. All foreign convict/ remand/ under trial prisoners are lodged in the Prisons at the Puzhal Prison Complex at Chennai.

Remand / Under trial prisoners and those who are sentenced to less than three months imprisonment by the Courts in the Districts are alone lodged in the District Jails concerned. Remand Prisoners who have committed offences which are not serious in nature are lodged in Sub Jails.

Special Prison for Women is meant for confinement of only women prisoners. Women prisoners involved in serious offences are confined in the five Special Prisons for Women. Remand and Under trial women prisoners who have committed offences which are not serious

are lodged in Special Sub Jails and Sub Jails for Women. These women prisons are exclusively guarded by Women Personnel.

Prisoners in the age group between 21 and 55 having good physical and mental health, good conduct, emotional stability and agricultural background are transferred to Open Air Prisons, on their willingness.

VI) MAINTENANCE OF SECURITY IN PRISON

i) Cell Phone Jammers

With a view to strengthen the security measures, Cell Phone Jammers have been provided for 12 High Security Blocks in 9 Central Prisons in the State. Government have also accorded sanction for providing additional 12 numbers of Cell phone Jammers in Central Prisons-I & II, Puzhal, Palayamkottai, Madurai, Trichy and 5 Special Prisons for Women, Puzhal, Vellore, Trichy, Coimbatore and Madurai at a cost of Rs.10.10 crore. The approval for installation of Jammers is under the consideration of Government of India.

ii) High Security Blocks

High Security Blocks have been constructed in all the Central Prisons which are well guarded by the Prison Personnel considering the security of prisoners as well as prevention of escape without compromising the rights and dignity of the prisoners. Except Central Prison, Cuddalore, the outer peripheries of all other Central Prisons are guarded by the Tamil Nadu Police Personnel.

Hard core prisoners involved in sensitive cases are confined in High Security Blocks. All such prisoners are subjected to proper search daily and periodically by higher officers.

The visitors, who come to interview the prisoners are also subjected to thorough frisking. Regular anti-sabotage checks are being carried out to prevent any untoward incident in the Prisons.

iii) Dog Squad

The services of Dog Squad of this Department are utilized to further fortify the security measures in the Prisons.

iv) Electronic Key Management System

On pilot basis, Electronic Key Management System has been introduced in Central Prisons-I & II, Puzhal and Special Prison for Women, Puzhal and is functioning well.

v) Security Poles

12 numbers of Security Poles for cell phone and ferrous metal detection system have been installed in 9 Central Prisons and 3 Special Prisons for women to strengthen the security of Prisons.

vi) Walkie-Talkies

All Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, Puzhal, Vellore and Trichy and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai have been provided with 380 numbers of Hand held Walkie-Talkie sets with spare battery packs.

4 repeater sets for Central Prisons-I & II, Puzhal, Trichy and Coimbatore have also been installed.

vii) CCTV Cameras

In order to monitor the prisoners movement as well as the visitors, 257 numbers of CCTV cameras at vulnerable areas of all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai have been installed. In addition to that, 100 numbers of additional CCTV, Internet Protocol Cameras (IP Cameras) and Smart Cards containing all details about the prisoners have been provided in 9 Central prisons, 5 Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai.

viii) Video Conferencing Facilities

Video Conferencing facility, connecting Prisons and Courts Complex has been provided for extension of remand period of the prisoners without producing them physically before the Courts concerned, to cut down the expenditure on Police escorts, transportation and also to prevent untoward incidents such as escape of prisoners and assault on the prisoners during their transit, etc.,

At present, 117 prisons including all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and Sub Jails have been connected with 403 Courts through Video Conferencing System

ix) X-Ray Baggage Scanners

All the Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai have been provided with X-Ray Baggage Scanners to prevent smuggling of contraband articles and prohibited materials inside the prisons.

A sum of Rs.180.00 lakh has been sanctioned for purchase of 9 Nos. of X-Ray Baggage Scanner Machine in replacement of old machines in 9 Central Prisons in G.O.(Ms) No.497, Home (Prison IV) Department, dated 17.11.2021.

VII. WELFARE OF PRISONERS

i) Human Rights

Considering the utmost importance of the protection of human rights of the prisoners, prison personnel have been adequately sensitized in this regard and human rights issues form an integral part of all training courses as well as refresher courses for the Personnel. Basic amenities and requirements are provided in all prisons to ensure better living conditions of prisoners.

Official visitors make periodical visits to the Prisons to check on management of the Prison and treatment of the prisoners. In addition to this, 62 members of the public are appointed as non-official visitors who make surprise visits to the Prisons to check rights anv human violations. Members of the Human Rights Commissions and the Hon'ble Judges of the High Court and other dignitaries also visit prisons in provision the State to ensure of basic requirement and treatment of the prisoners and they appreciated the Prison Administration in the State.

ii) Mental and Physical Health

Considering the fact that higher stress level due to prolonged confinement of the prisoners manifests itself into violent behavior, depression as well as suicidal tendencies, Psychologists have been appointed in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and District Jail and Borstal School, Pudukkottai to treat and counsel the prisoners suffering from depression and exhibiting violent behavior. Counselling instills confidence in the depressed mind of the prisoners and brings forth trust in themselves which eliminates suicidal tendencies.

Prisoners requiring psychiatric treatment are treated in the Government Institute of Mental Health, Chennai as in-patients. The services of Psychiatrists from Government Hospitals are also utilized to take care of the mentally ill prisoners.

Two Counsellors are engaged in each Central Prisons and one Counsellor is engaged in each Special Prisons for Women and District Jail and Borstal School, Pudukkottai to ensure better mental health of the disturbed prisoners. In addition to the counselling, physical training, yoga, meditation, indoor and outdoor games are made available to the prisoners. At present

21 Non-Governmental Organisations are also involved to supplement these efforts.

Prisoners are provided with library facilities. The prisoners are allowed to borrow books from the Libraries in the Prisons. Library not only provides recreation, but also help the prisoners to improve their mental health.

Apart from the above, the good medical care is being given to maintain their physical health also.

iii) Sanitation and Health Care

To meet the medical requirement of the prisoners, Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women are provided with hospitals having experienced doctors supported by adequate paramedical staff. Prisoners who need specialized in-patient care are admitted in the Prison Hospitals. To transit the prisoners requiring specialized treatment in the hospitals located outside the Prisons, Ambulances are provided to all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails, Special Sub Jails for Women, Sub Jails for Women.

21 types of Life Saving Medical Equipments are provided in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai.

As a health care measure, smoking and use of tobacco in the Prisons are banned. Integrated Counselling and Testing Centers (ICTC) are established in all Central Prisons for checking prevalence of AIDS among inmates. All inmates in the Central Prisons are subjected to H.I.V. test after due counselling.

In order to prevent the spreading of contagious diseases among the prisoners, the usage of knife for shaving is dispensed with. Instead two disposable shaving razors are provided to the prisoners once in a month at a cost of Rs.43.68 lakh per annum.

In addition to the above measures, to protect the prisoners from any communicable disease, sanitation facilities have been improved in all Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women, Puzhal and Trichy at a cost of Rs.1240.10 lakh and at Special Sub Jail, Poonamallee at a cost of Rs.30.59 lakh.

iv) Food and Clothing

In tune with the scale prescribed in the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983, nutritious and balanced diet is provided to the prisoners in a hygienic manner. Food items like milk, bread, egg, chicken, etc., are given as medical diet to the sick prisoners on the recommendation of the Medical Officers.

Non-vegetarian prisoners are provided with 115 grams of chicken and vegetarian prisoners are provided with potato curry, kesari and a banana once in a week.

For preparation of food for the prisoners, Sunflower Oil is used for six days from Monday to Saturday and Gingelly Oil is used on Sunday.

Special diet at an additional cost of Rs.50/is provided to each prisoner, on the occasion of Pongal festival, Republic Day, Independence Day and Gandhi Jayanthi.

In the kitchen, stainless steel cooking vessels and trolleys are used and the food items are served to the prisoners in stainless steel plates and mugs.

Further, as provided in the Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983, clothing and bedding are provided to the inmates. Terry cotton pants, shirts and large sized blankets are provided to the convict prisoners. Remand prisoners are permitted to wear their own clothing. The

Remand prisoners who do not have adequate clothes are provided with sufficient clothing at Government cost.

v) Welfare of Women Prisoners

At the time of admission itself, Women prisoners are examined by a Woman Assistant Surgeon and the observations are recorded in the Medical Sheet.

Priority is given to the day to day care of pregnant women prisoners. Gynaecological examination is also conducted and pre-natal and post-natal care is given to them as required. Special care is bestowed on the nursing women inmates and they are supplied with half a litre milk per day. Emergency Leave is being granted to the pregnant prisoners for delivery. Further, Sanitary Napkins are being provided to the female prisoners at free of cost.

Children may remain with their mothers until they attain the age of six years, if they cannot be otherwise suitably taken care of, as per Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983

Based on the recommendation of the Medical Officer, baby foods are provided to babies who are less than one year old accompanying the female prisoners, keeping in view, the nutritional requirement of growing children.

Food, clothing, shelter, medical care and recreational facilities are also provided to them. A creche and nursery are also functioning in the Special Prisons for Women to look after the children.

vi) Grievances Redressal Mechanism for Prisoners

Top priority is being given by the prison administration to redress the grievances of the prisoners during the annual inspections. The Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services and Range Deputy Inspector General of Prisons enquire each and every prisoner and take prompt action to redress their grievances. The Superintendent of Prisons conduct Inspection Parade of all prisoners every week and hear the grievances of the prisoners and redress them.

Sealed complaint boxes have been installed in all the Central prisons to enable the prisoners to ventilate their grievances. These boxes are opened by the District and Sessions Judge on the first working day of every month and complaints are forwarded to the appropriate authorities for action.

Apart from this, Sessions Judges and Chief Judicial Magistrates make surprise visits to prisons once in a month to check the quality of food and other facilities provided to the prisoners and enquire into their grievances.

vii) Special Interviews

The Advocates are permitted to interview the prisoners on all days except Sundays. Special interviews are also organized for Advocates on Saturdays upto 1.00 pm.

For the convenience of school and college going children and working spouse of the prisoners, special interviews are arranged on the first Sunday of every month.

viii) Interviews with relatives and family members of Prisoners

In order to facilitate the prisoners to stay in touch with their relatives and friends, interviews are permitted as provided in Tamil Nadu Prison Rules, 1983. The application forms for seeking interview with prisoners are supplied at free of cost and it can also be downloaded from website of the Department. This facility helps the family members and relatives of the prisoners to apply for interview from remote places without any difficulty. Prior appointment may also be fixed over phone to interview the prisoners.

ix) Visitors Management System

Visitors Management System has been introduced to collect details of Visitors to all Central Prisons, 3 Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai and to streamline the interview system and functioning well.

x) Acquisition of Vocational Skills and participation in Industrial Production

During their incarceration, the convict prisoners are imparted life-coping skills and production skills to enable them to have better employability upon their release for preventing recidivism. To inculcate work habits during their confinement in prisons and impart new skills, several industries such as Sealing Wax Industry, Weaving Industry, Boot Industry, Book Binding Industry, Tag Industry, Soap Industry, Tailoring Unit, Carpentry Unit, Shoe Polish Unit, Bakery Unit, Hand Made Paper Unit, Fly Ash Bricks Industry manufacturing cum training unit have also been established. Further, activities like Nursery Development, Agricultural Production and Compost Making, etc. are also introduced in prisons.

The prison products such as uniform clothes, belts, caps, uniform shoes, shoe polish, rain coats, mosquito nets required for Police, Fire & Rescue Services and Prisons and Correctional Services Departments and sealing wax, tags, file pads, postal covers, gauze and bandage cloth, soap, other textiles, fire buckets, iron cot, saline stand, barricade, trolley and bedside lockers, etc. are supplied to various Government Department.

Being a "Service Department", the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services Department enjoys special privilege of supplying

these articles to various Government Departments.

The value of the industrial production for the year 2021-2022 is **Rs.53.32 crore**.

xi) Wages of Prisoners engaged in Prison Industries

The convict prisoners engaged in Prison Industries are being paid on the basis of their classification, viz., Skilled, Semi Skilled and Un Skilled, at the rate of Rs.200/-, Rs.180/- and Rs.160/- respectively as wages per day per prisoner.

xii) Employment on Release

In order to accommodate the prisoners seeking employment on their release, details regarding the specific skills acquired by the prisoners, the date of release of the prisoners, availability of industries in their area are collected well in advance so as to provide employment opportunities to them.

xiii) Educational and Vocational Courses Mahatma Gandhi Community Colleges

plays a major Education role in rehabilitating inmates. In order to achieve 100% literacy amongst the prison inmates, many been launched programmes have in with the Ministry of Human co-ordination Resource Development, Government of India and the Education Department of Tamil Nadu. Indira Gandhi National Open University is also conducting various courses for the benefit of the prisoners.

Education requirement is categorized based on the level of individual's attainment as (i) Primary level, (ii) Elementary School level, (iii) Higher Secondary level, (iv) Graduation and Post Graduation through Open Universities and (v) Diploma and Degree courses in order to facilitate useful job oriented skills to the inmates. The services of the educated inmates are also utilized for teaching.

Through Education Department under special literacy mission / scheme, basic literacy is being given to the illiterate prisoners in all prisons in the state. The prisoners were identified for this purpose and two days training programme was conducted for the teachers by the Education Department in Central Prison–I, Puzhal for implementing this scheme and scheme is functioning well.

Elementary Schools are functioning with qualified teachers in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai. Distance Education facility is provided to the prisoners at Government cost.

Mahatma Gandhi Community Colleges, approved by the Tamil Nadu Open University, have been established in all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai. Various educational and vocational courses are offered to the

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prisoners aimed at empowering the prisoners towards gainful employment on their release.

During the year 2021-2022, 53 prisoners have appeared for 12th Standard Public Examination. 99 prisoners have appeared for 11th Standard Public Examination. 201 prisoners have appeared for 10th Standard Public Examination and 232 prisoners have appeared for 8th Standard Examination.

During the year 2021-2022, a total number of 9,901 prisoners pursued various vocational courses as detailed below:-

Course	Number of Prisoners
Basic literacy Education by School Education Department	1,691
Foundation Course (Preparatory Course upto 7th standard level)	3,928
Literacy Programme (Through State Resource Centre)	3,142
M.C.A.	3
M.B.A.	57

M.A/M.Sc.	17
B.A./B.Sc./ B.Com./B.Lit.	141
B.B.A.	118
8 th , 10 th , 11 th Standard and +2 Level 232+201+99+53=585	585
Diploma / Certificate	219
Total	9,901

Industrial Training Institute has been established inside the Central Prison, Trichy.

During the year 2021-2022, 75 prisoners have pursued various studies as detailed below:-

SI.	Name of the	Duration	No. c	of prison	ers
No.	Trade	Duration	I year	II year	Total
1	Fitter	2 Years	4	3	7
2	Electrician	2 Years	5	9	14
3	COPA (Computer Operator and Programming	1 Year	13	_	13
	Assistant)	1 Teal	15	-	15
4	Cutting & Sewing	1 Year	27	-	27

5	Welder (Gas &Electric)	1 Year	14	-	14
Total			63	12	75

xiv) Remand Prisoners Reformation Project (PATTAM)

The Department of Prisons and Correctional Services conducts various Reformation, Rehabilitation and Reintegration programmes for the inmates. One such visionary programmes "PATTAM" (a Tamil word meaning 'Kite')– Personality and Attitude Transformation through Therapeutic Assistance and Management and it is the combined effort of Police, Judiciary, Prisons and Correctional Services Departments and Non-Government Organization.

The prime objective of the programme is to provide the inmates a focused holistic interventional programme, in a conducive environment, to enable them, to reintegrate and be responsible members of the Society. This project is exclusively designed for the first time petty offenders of young age (18-24 years) pursuant to the order of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras to reduce recidivism and facilitate reintegration and into society, as productive and responsible citizens. The Project initially started at Sub Jail, Saidapet is then extended to all Central Prisons in the State on 02.10.2021.

xv) Correctional Programmes Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Prisoners

Noval Correctional Programmes are being given to the convict prisoners both in the form of educational / vocational courses and practical experience in the prison industries so as to enable the prisoners to take up employment or self employment after their release.

xvi) Free Legal Aid

In order to make the Free Legal Aid facility available to the prisoners more effectively, a

separate Legal Aid Cell has been established in all the Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails and Sub Jails by the Tamil Nadu State Legal Services Authority. Prisoners can avail all legal assistant in connection with their cases freely through this cell.

Prisoners can approach the Hon'ble Court concerned to prepare appeals against their sentences, seek bail and conduct trails through this Free Legal Cell. Prisoners are produced before Free Legal Cell by the Prisons authorities on admission so that any appeal, can be prepared in time and effective action is also taken to watch the progress and disposal of the same by this system, so that the prisoners can get effective and speedy Justice.

xvii) Prisoners Adalat

To expedite the disposal of petty cases and prevent overcrowding in the Prisons, Prisoners Adalat have been established in all Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women. The Magistrates regularly conduct Prisoners Adalat and dispose the cases of prisoners who plead guilty.

Through Prisoners Adalat **4019 cases** have also been disposed from **01.01.2016 to 28.02.2022**.

xviii) Telephone Facility for the use of Prisoners

To reduces the stress level of prisoners drastically telephone facility have been provided to contact the prisoners family members, friends and their advocates. For this purpose 65 telephone booths were installed in all Central Prisons, 3 Special Prisons for Women, District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai, 9 District Jails and 2 Open Air Prisons, at a cost of Rs.300.29 lakh.

The maximum number of calls have been increased from 5 to 8 and the maximum call

duration from 45 minutes to 56 minutes per prisoner per month including 4 Sundays.

Prisoners have used this facility for **15,66,720 times**, as on 28.02.2022.

xix) Provision of Radios

Music and other programmes have been broadcast through Radio, to reduce the depression of the prisoners to a great extent. To mitigate the loneliness and fear felt by the prisoners, 96 FM Radios along with amplifier and 384 speakers have been purchased for Sub Jails at a cost of Rs.14.55 lakh.

xx) Streamlining the Remission System

Remission is one of the motivating factors which will have positive impact on the prisoners to mend their behaviour. In order to implement the remission system effectively, the Government have sanctioned 9 posts of Office Superintendents in all Central Prisons.

xxi) Sewage Treatment Plant

The Waste Water Recycling Plant have been established in Central Prisons, Vellore and Palayamkottai at a cost of Rs.493.70 Lakh. Further, at a cost of Rs.380.27 lakh, Government have ordered to establish Waste Water Recycling Plant in Central Prisons, Coimbatore, Trichy, Salem and Cuddalore through Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation. Work has been completed in Central Prisons, Trichy, Coimbatore and Cuddalore and is in progress in Central Prison, Salem.

xxii) Installation of Reverse Osmosis Plant

Reverse Osmosis Plant with accessories with a capacity of 1000 litres per hour have been provided in 9 Central Prisons and 500 litres per hour in 3 Special Prisons for Women at Puzhal, Vellore and Trichy.

Further, in G.O.(Ms) No.499, Home (Prison-IV) Department, dated 17.11.2021, a

sum of Rs.18.90 lakh has been sanctioned for purchase and installation of Reverse Osmosis Plant to the staff quarters in 9 Central Prisons.

xxiii) Premature Release

In pursuant to the announcement of the Hon'ble Chief Minister on the floor of the Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly on 13.09.2021 on release of the life convict prisoners on goodwill grounds measure and humanitarian in commemoration of 113th Birthday of Dr. Peraringar Anna on 15.09.2021, in G.O.(Ms) No.488, Home (Prison-IV) Department, Dated 15.11.2021, Government have framed detailed quidelines for the premature release of the life convict prisoners who have completed 10/20 years of actual imprisonment as on 15.09.2021 and their release is under examination of the Government on case to case basis.

VIII. WELFARE OF PRISON PERSONNEL

i) Feeding Charges, Risk Allowance, Stitching Charges and Washing Allowance

The Feeding Charges are being paid for the Prison personnel employed in security duties, in Central Prisons and District Jails during emergencies, on occasions of mass arrest and for undertaking search operations in prison premises. It is being paid at the rate Rs.300/per day for 10 days in a month in Chennai city and at the rate of Rs.250/- per day for 6 days in a month in Mofussil from the rank of Grade II warder to Deputy Jailor.

On par with the Police Department, Risk Allowance are being paid at the rate of Rs.800/per month from the rank of Grade-II Warder to Deputy Jailor and at the rate of Rs.900/per month from the rank of Jailor to Superintendent of Prisons.

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The Prison personnel from the rank of Grade-II Warders to Superintendent of Prisons are paid at the rate of Rs.1000/- per head per year towards stitching charges for two set of Uniforms and Rs.500/- per month as Washing Allowance.

ii) Night Meal Allowance

Night Meal Allowance of Rs.100/- per day is being paid from the Rank of Grade-II Warders to Chief Head Warders.

iii) Articles at Subsidized Cost through Police Canteens

Facility for purchasing articles at subsidized cost in Police Canteen has been extended to all the serving, retired Ministerial / Miscellaneous staff of the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services and also to the families of the deceased on par with the Ministerial staff of Police Department.

iv) Essential Commodities at Subsidized Rates

Rice is supplied at free of cost and wheat, sugar, cooking oil and dhall are supplied at 50% of the sale price through Public Distribution System (PDS) outlets, to the Prison personnel from the rank of Grade-II Warders to Deputy Jailors.

v) Extra Time Remuneration

Extra Time Remuneration of Rs.200/- is being paid to the Grade-I and Grade-II Warders, if they work on the day of their weekly off.

vi) Tamil Nadu Jail Benevolent Fund

The Tamil Nadu Jail Benevolent Fund has been created and a sum of Rs.10.00 lakh is paid by the Government as matching grant for extending Financial Assistance to all the nongazetted staff and their dependents.

Financial Assistance for College Education, Medical treatment for prolonged critical illness, injury in accident etc. are provided to the members of this scheme from this Fund. Financial Assistance is also given for the death of the staff or eligible family members.

vii) Group Insurance Scheme

Group Insurance Scheme has been created for the benefit of the executive staff from the

rank of Grade-II Warders to Deputy Inspector General of Prisons.

The insurance coverage is Rs.2.00 lakh to those who die while on duty and in the case of death in accidents.

viii) Provision of Rain Coats and Mosquito Nets for the use of Prison Personnel

Rain Coats and Mosquito Nets are provided for use of Prison personnel in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women, District Jails, Special Sub Jails, Sub Jails, Borstal Schools and Open Air Prisons once in three years.

ix) Ex-gratia payment

In recognition of the services of the deceased Prison personnel who die in harness exhibiting heroic action Ex-gratia payment is given to the legal heirs of the deceased. The last pay drawn is paid as family pension to the legal heir till the normal date of superannuation of the deceased Government servant. Thereafter, the eligible family pension is paid.

In addition, a lump sum ex-gratia of Rs.2.00 lakh is also paid to the family members of the deceased. Apart from this, ex-gratia payments are also sanctioned to the following categories at the rates mentioned below:-

1.	For permanent disability	Rs.50,000
2.	For severe injuries	Rs.10,000
3.	For simple injuries	Rs. 5,000

x) Grievance Redressal Mechanism for Prison Personnel Grievances of the Prison personnel are redressed in a systematic manner. The following officers are conducting of Grievance Day Meetings as detailed below:-

1.	The Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services	Once in a quarter
2.	The Range Deputy Inspector General of Prisons	Once in a month
3.	Superintendents of Central Prisons	Once in a week

Speedy action is taken to redress the grievances reported by the personnel during such meetings.

Apart from the scheduled Grievance Day Meetings, the Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services receives grievance petitions from the personnel in the headquarters and during his visit/ inspection to Prisons.

xi) Construction of Staff Quarters

Staff quarters have been constructed by Government to prison personnel from the rank of Deputy Inspector General of Prisons to Grade-II Warders.

At present, 2 Quarters for Jailor is being constructed each at Central Prison, Palayamkottai and Madurai at a cost of Rs.120.00 lakh through Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation.

xii) Medals

In order to motivate and recognize those uniformed personnel who maintain a clean service record and display bravery and commendable performance in discharging their duties. The following medals are awarded by the Government:-

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Prison Service Medal - Anna Medal

The Government have paid cash award to the award winning personnel as detailed below:-

1	From the rank of Jailor to Superintendent of Prisons	Rs.15,000
2	Assistant Jailor and Deputy Jailor	Rs.10,000
3	From the rank of Grade-II Warder to Chief Head Warder	Rs.5,000

Every year, on the occasion of birthday of Peraringnar Anna, 10 Prison personnel are awarded with this medal.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Prison Medal for Good Service - Pongal Medal

Every year, on the occasion of Pongal Day, 60 Grade-I and Grade-II Warders are awarded this medal for their Good Service along with payment of medal allowance at the rate of Rs.400/- per month to them.

Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Gallantry Medal

The Government have granted a cash prize of Rs.5.00 lakh to the Tamil Nadu Chief Minister's Gallantry Medal winners irrespective of their rank, instead of the earlier scheme of payment of an allowance of Rs.300/-per month.

President's Correctional Service Medal

Every year, on the occasion of Republic Day and Independence Day, Prison personnel who have rendered unblemished record of service are awarded with this Medal. 3 Prison personnel have received this Medal, on the occasion of Republic Day, 2022.

IX. INITIATIVES

i) Committee for Change of Prisoners Diet

Government have constituted a committee with Deputy Secretary to Government, Home and Finance Departments, Prison Officials, and Nutrition Expert from Rajiv Gandhi Government General Hospital, Chennai as members to review the change of the scale and pattern of diet given to prisoners. The Committee has considered prisoner's diet pattern by comparing the existing diet of the prisoners with the other State prisons i.e., Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Karnataka and Kerala and submitted its recommendations to the Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services.

ii) Provision of new Computers and Photo Copier

A sum of Rs.44.00 lakh has been sanctioned for purchase of 40 Computers and 10 Photo Copier to the Office of the Director General of Police/ Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, Chennai in G.O.(Ms) No.505, Home (Prison-IV) Department, dated 18.11.2021. Purchase order placed to M/s ELCOT Ltd.,

iii) Provision of Industrial Laundry Machines

A sum of Rs.60.00 lakh has been sanctioned for purchase of 15 Industrial Laundry Machines

for all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail and Borstal School, Pudukkottai in G.O. (Ms) No.504, Home (Prison-IV) Department, dated 18.11.2021.

iv) Provision of Drones with Colour Cameras

A sum of Rs.21.85 lakh has been sanctioned for purchase of 9 Drones with colour cameras for 9 Central Prisons.

v) Construction of Administrative Office for the Deputy Inspector General of Prisons, Chennai Range in Puzhal Prison Complex

A sum of Rs.59.45 lakh has been sanctioned for the construction of Administrative office building for the Deputy Inspector General of Prisons, Chennai Range. The Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has completed the construction work and the building was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 30.08.2021.

vi) Construction of Pigeon hole rack with locker box

A sum of Rs.251.72 lakh has been sanctioned for the construction of dining room, pigeon hole rack with locker box for the usage of prison staff in all Central Prisons, Special Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai.

The Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has completed the work in all the Central Prisons and Special Prisons for Women except Central Prison, Madurai. Work is nearing completion in Central Prison, Madurai.

vii) Construction of additional block

A sum of Rs.1505.84 lakh has been sanctioned for the construction of additional block in Central Prison-II, Puzhal, to accommodate 500 prisoners. The Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has completed the construction work and the building was inaugurated by the Hon'ble Chief Minister on 30.08.2021.

A sum of Rs.106.03 lakh has been sanctioned for the construction of additional Block at District Jail, Chengalpet, to accommodate 100 prisoners. Work has been entrusted to Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation and is in progress.

viii) Shifting of existing Sub Jail, Tindivanam to new Court Complex

The Government ordered to shift the existing Sub Jail at Tindivanam to the newly constructed court complex and accorded administrative sanction for the construction of Sub Jail Tindivanam at a cost of Rs.839.22 lakh. Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation has been entrusted with this work. Work is under progress.

ix) Test Identification Parade Room

Test Identification Parade room with one way mirror in all the Central Prisons, Special

Prisons for Women and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai have been constructed at a cost of Rs.202.97 lakh and have started functioning now.

Further, a sum of Rs.269.84 lakh has been sanctioned for the Test Identification Parade room in 13 District Jails in G.O (Ms) No.389, Home (Prison-IV) Department, dated 17.09.2021. Work entrusted to Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation and is under progress.

x) Annual Maintenance Grant

For regular maintenance of Prison buildings and staff quarters through Tamil Nadu Police Housing Corporation Limited, sanction has been accorded for a sum of Rs.500.00 lakh as recurring expenditure for every year. Repairs and maintenance for Jails buildings are carried out every year from the above sanctioned amount.

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xi) Solar Power Generation

The Roof Top Solar Photo Voltaic System with grid connectivity at Puzhal Prison Complex was established by the Tamil Nadu Energy Development Agency (TEDA) at a cost of Rs.2.41 crore. Sanction has also been accorded for Rs.2132.83 lakh for establishing Solar power plants in other Central Prisons.

xii) Prison Bazaar

With a view to providing an opportunity to the prisoners for reformation and rehabilitation by channelizing their energy towards a positive direction, Government have established **"PRISON BAZAARS",** at the boundary of the Central Prisons, certain District Jails and Sub Jails complexes and functioning well. A Corpus Fund of Rs.10.00 lakh was sanctioned for the development of the Prison Bazaar.

The articles made by the prisoners such as Bakery Items, Leather Shoes, Wallets, Nursery Products, Detergent Soap, Sanitary Napkins, Candles, Mosquito Nets, Rain Coats, Shoe Polish, Readymade Garments, Honey, Masala Powder, Handicrafts, Envelopes, Note Books, Organic Vegetables, Cold Pressed Edible Oil, Compost Manure, Panchakavyam, Paintings, etc. are sold in this Bazaar in the registered brand name "FREEDOM". Other out lets such as Food Courts etc., are also functioning in this Bazaar.

The profit earned from the Prison Bazaar is apportioned as follows:-

- a) 20% to the prisoners who worked to produce the goods.
- b) 20% to Government Account
- c) 20% to the Prison Staff Welfare Fund
- d) 40% to the Tamil Nadu Prison
 Department Manufacture of
 Goods Fund (TNPDMGF)

The turnover of these Bazaars for the financial year 2021-2022 is Rs.316.39 lakh, with **a net profit of Rs.48.69 lakh**.

xiii) Establishment of Petrol Retail Outlets in Central Prisons

Petrol Retail Outlets have been established already in association with M/s Indian Oil Corporation Ltd. and functioning as part of the Phase-I pilot project in Central Prisons, Puzhal-I, Vellore, Coimbatore, Palayamkottai and District Jail & Borstal School, Pudukkottai for the benefit of the general public and for their formation and rehabilitation of the prisoners.

The turnover of the five Petrol Retail Outlets (Phase-I) for the financial year 2021-2022 (upto December 2021) is Rs.16,378.19 lakh, with a net profit of Rs.442.40 lakh.

Establishment of similar Petrol Retail Outlets in 6 more locations at Central Prison-I, Puzhal on Ambattur Road, Trichy on Airport Road, Coimbatore on Bharathiar Road, Salem & Madurai and Special Prison for Women, Trichy on Gandhi Market in phase–II is under active consideration of the Government.

VII. CONCLUSION

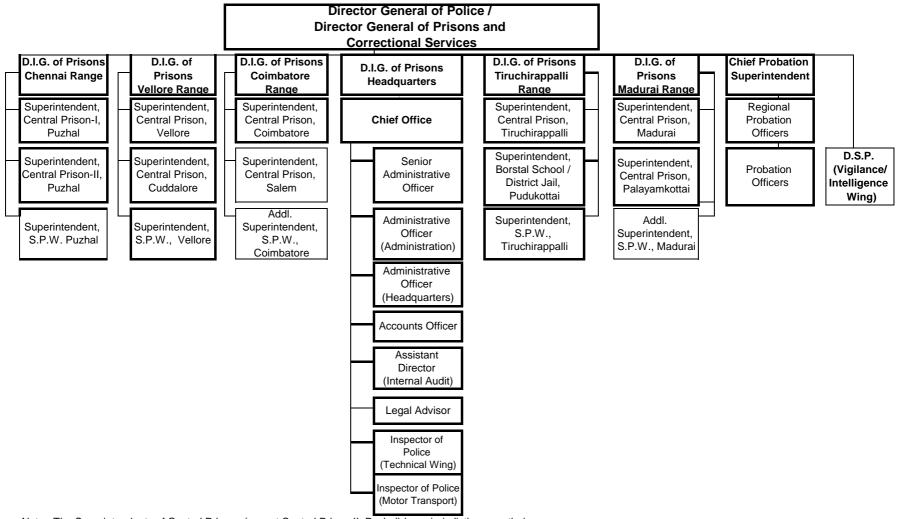
Department of Prisons and Correctional Services strives tireless to consistently improve infrastructural facilities, to provide safety and security, physical and mental well being of Prisoners, concerns of women prisoners and their children and to ensure observance of Human rights. Government have given constant support to Prison administration in pursuing Rehabilitation and Correctional schemes for Prisoners and welfare of Prison Personnel. With these endeavor, Department of Prisons and Correctional Services will continue to travel to excel in setting national and global standards.

S. REGUPATHY

Minister for Law

ANNEXURE-I

ORGANISATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PRISONS & CORRECTIONAL SERVICES



Note : The Superintendents of Central Prisons (except Central Prison-II, Puzhal) have jurisdiction over their respective Districts Jails, Special Sub Jails, Open Air Prisons, Borstal Schools and Sub Jails under their control.

<u> Annexure – II</u>

Details of authorized accommodation of Prisoners

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation		
	Chennai District			
1	Central Prison-I, Puzhal	1250		
2	Central Prison-II, Puzhal	2000		
3	Special Prison for Women, Puzhal	500		
4	Borstal School, Puzhal (Transit Yard)	100		
5	Sub Jail, Saidapet	175		
	Kancheepuram Distric	t		
6	Sub Jail, Kancheepuram	34		
	Chengalpattu District	t		
7	District Jail, Chengalpattu	200		
8	Sub Jail, Maduranthagam	62		
	Thiruvallur District			
9	Sub Jail, Thiruvallur	36		
10	Sub Jail, Ponneri	42		
11	Sub Jail, Tiruttani	36		
12	Special Sub Jail, Poonamallee	152		

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
	Vellore District	
13	Central Prison, Vellore	2130
14	Special Prison for Women, Vellore	469
15	Borstal School, Vellore (Annex)	54
16	Sub Jail, Gudiyatham	54
	Thirupattur District	
17	Sub Jail, Ambur	20
18	Sub Jail, Thirupattur	74
19	Sub Jail, Vaniyambadi	30
	Ranipet District	•
20	Sub Jail, Arakkonam	36
21	Sub Jail, Walaja	19
	Thiruvannamalai Distr	ict
22	Sub Jail, Cheyyar (Handed over to Revenue Department)	48
23	Sub Jail, Thiruvannamalai	49
24	Sub Jail, Arani (Temporarily Closed)	17
25	Sub Jail, Chengam	9
26	Sub Jail, Polur	36
27	Sub Jail, Vandavasi	19

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation			
	Cuddalore District				
28	Central Prison, Cuddalore	723			
29	Sub Jail, Cuddalore (Women)	100			
30	Sub Jail, Cuddalore	143			
31	Sub Jail, Virudhachalam	30			
32	Sub Jail, Portnova	24			
33	Borstal School, Panruti	15			
34	Sub Jail, Chidambaram	28			
	Villupuram District				
35	District Jail, Villupuram	200			
36	Sub Jail, Villupuram	42			
37	Sub Jail, Tindivanam	29			
38	Borstal School, Gingee	80			
	Kallakurichi District				
39	Sub Jail, Kallakurichi	18			
40	Sub Jail, Ulundurpet	24			
41	Sub Jail, Thirukovilur	24			
42	Central Prison, Salem	1431			
43	District Jail, Attur	200			
44	Farm Jail, Salem	10			
45	Special Sub Jail, Salem (Women)	110			

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation
46	Borstal School, Sankagiri	27
47	Sub Jail, Omalur	48
	Namakkal District	
48	Sub Jail, Namakkal	34
49	Borstal School, Paramathi	16
50	Sub Jail, Rasipuram	24
51	Sub Jail, Tiruchengode	19
Dharmapuri District		
52	District Jail, Dharmapuri	200
53	Sub Jail, Dharmapuri	36
54	Sub Jail, Harur	48
	Krishnagiri District	
55	Sub Jail, Krishnagiri (Women)	73
56	Sub Jail, Uthangarai	16
57	Sub Jail, Hosur	44
	Coimbatore District	
58	Central Prison, Coimbatore	2124
59	Special Prison for Women, Coimbatore	187
60	Open Air Jail, Singanallur	100
61	Sub Jail, Mettupalayam (Temporarily Closed)	36
62	Borstal School, Pollachi	97

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation		
63	District Jail, Gopichettipalayam	200		
64	Sub Jail, Erode	35		
65	Sub Jail, Sathyamangalam	16		
66	Sub Jail, Bhavani	24		
67	Sub Jail, Perundurai	8		
	Nilgiris District			
68	Sub Jail, Ooty	35		
69	Sub Jail, Coonoor	32		
70	Sub Jail, Gudalur	28		
	Tiruppur District			
71	District Jail, Tiruppur	200		
72	Sub Jail, Avinashi	70		
73	Sub Jail, Tiruppur	90		
74	Sub Jail, Udumalapet	25		
75	Sub Jail, Dharapuram	26		
76	Sub Jail, Palladam (Temporarily Closed)	24		
	Trichy District			
77	Central Prison, Trichy	2517		
78	Special Prison for Women – Trichy	600		
79	Sub Jail, Manaparai	14		

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation	
80	Sub Jail, Musiri	17	
81	Sub Jail, Thuraiyur	17	
82	Sub Jail, Lalgudi	23	
Ariyalur District			
83	Borstal School, Ariyalur	21	
84	Sub Jail, Jeyamkondam	19	
Perambalur District			
85	Sub Jail, Perambalur	18	
Karur District			
86	Sub Jail, Karur	36	
87	Sub Jail, Kulithalai	26	
Pudukottai District			
88	District Jail, Pudukottai	245	
89	Borstal School, Pudukottai	200	
90	Sub Jail, Aranthangi	28	
91	Sub Jail, Thirumayam	14	
92	Sub Jail, Keeranur (Temporarily Closed)	8	
Tanjore District			
93	Sub Jail, Thiruvidaimaruthur	51	
94	Borstal School, Tanjore	87	
95	Sub Jail, Papanasam	46	

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation	
96	Sub Jail, Pattukottai	38	
97	Sub Jail, Kumbakonam	44	
Nagapattinam District			
98	District Jail, Nagapattinam	200	
99	Sub Jail, Sirkali	28	
100	Sub Jail, Mayiladuthurai	24	
101	Sub Jail, Tharangampadi	12	
Thiruvarur District			
102	Sub Jail, Thiruvarur (Women)	20	
103	Sub Jail, Thiruthuraipoondi	28	
104	Sub Jail, Nannilam	24	
105	Sub Jail, Mannargudi	19	
Madurai District			
106	Central Prison, Madurai	1252	
107	Special Prison for Women, Madurai	262	
108	Borstal School, Melur	48	
109	Sub Jail, Usilampatty	18	
110	Sub Jail, Thirumangalam	25	
Dindigul District			
111	District Jail, Dindigul	200	
112	Sub Jail, Vedasandur	16	
113	Sub Jail, Palani	43	

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation		
114	Sub Jail, Kodaikanal	9		
115	Sub Jail, Nilakottai (Women)	36		
Theni District				
116	District Jail, Theni	200		
117	Sub Jail, Uthamapalayam	21		
118	Sub Jail, Periyakulam	39		
Sivagangai District				
119	Sub Jail, Sivagangai	20		
120	Sub Jail, Thirupattur	22		
121	Open Air Prison, Purasadaiudaippu	150		
122	District Jail, Ramanathapuram	200		
123	Sub Jail, Paramakudi (Women)	18		
124	Sub Jail, Mudukulathur	21		
125	Sub Jail, Thiruvadanai	12		
Virudhunagar District				
126	District Jail, Virudhunagar	200		
127	Sub Jail, Arupukottai	13		
128	Sub Jail, Srivilliputhur	24		
129	Sub Jail, Sathur (Women) (Temporarily Closed)	29		

S. No.	Prisons	Authorised Accommo- dation		
Tirunelveli District				
130	Central Prison, Palayamkottai	1332		
131	Special Sub Jail, Kokkirakulam (Women)	84		
132	Sub Jail, Ambasamuthiram	16		
133	Borstal School, Nanguneri	107		
Tenkasi District				
134	Sub Jail, Tenkasi	44		
135	Sub Jail, Sankarankoil	12		
Tuticorin District				
136	District 1Jail, Perurani	200		
137	Sub Jail, Srivaigundam	72		
138	Sub Jail, Kovilpatti	42		
139	Sub Jail, Tiruchendur	37		
	Kaniyakumari District			
140	District Jail, Nagarcoil	230		
141	Sub Jail, Thucklai (Women)	24		
142	Sub Jail, Kuzhithurai	16		
	Total	24,342		



On 20.11.2021, the Hon'ble Chief Minister inaugurated newly constructed 6 quarters for Assistant Jailor at Central Prison Campus, Coimbatore at a cost of Rs.127.97 lakh.



Adult Education and Special Literacy Mission Certificates & Library Books were issued to the inmates of Central Prison-I, Puzhal by the Hon'ble Ministers for Law and School Education Departments on 05.01.2022.



The Hon'ble Minister for Law visit the Petrol Bunk run by the Department of Prisons and Correctional Services at Central Prison Campus, Puzhal on 10.05.2021.



The Hon'ble Minister for Law visit the Cold Pressed Oil Unit at Central Prison-II, Puzhal on 10.05.2021.



Annual General body Meeting of the Tamil Nadu Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society was held on 10.12.2021 in the Office of the Director General of Police/Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Egmore, Chennai-8.



After Care assistance worth about Rs.38 Lakh were provided by the Tamil Nadu Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society to the Convict prisoners considered under premature release scheme by the Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services.



Convict prisoners are engaging in the Shoe Making Industry under Public Private Partnership Scheme at Central Prison-I (Convict), Puzhal.



Construction of Additional Block at a cost of Rs.15,05,84,000/- in Central Prison-II, Puzhal to accommodate 500 prisoners.

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