

## **PROCEDURE FOR GETTING AGRICULTURAL SERVICE CONNECTION**

Agricultural service connections are being effected every year based on the target given by the Government and based on the application registration seniority.

As per TNERC Distribution Code clause 27(2) (a), in respect of agricultural category, supply to agriculture category shall be governed by the directives issued by commission from time to time on the basis of the guidance on this matter by the National Electricity Policy and the Policy directions in public interest given by the State Government under sub-section (1) of section 108 of the Act.

The applicant should apply in online under Normal category first.

The following documents should be attached along with the application.

1. Ownership Certificate issued by Village Administrative Officer (VAO) . The VAO should certify that the land and the well owned by the applicant. (Note: If the registering authority justifies the additional document for the ownership, the same has to be produced.)
2. Digging of well/bore well is not necessary at the initial stage of registration.
3. For getting agricultural service connection minimum of 0.5 acres extent of irrigated land is required.
4. Within a survey field number or sub divided field number, a person shall be given one agricultural service connection to each well/bore well subjected to the condition that wells / bore wells are independent and physically separated from each other and minimum extent of land to be irrigated from each well/bore well shall be 0.5 acre.
5. If the application is made jointly by all the owners/legal heirs of the well then all should sign in the application form. Otherwise consent letter is to be obtained from other Co-owner(s)/legal heir(s) of the well. If consent letter is not possible to obtain, then indemnity bond to be enclosed.
6. More than one agricultural service connection shall be given to a well / bore well in a survey field number or sub divided field number in the

- name(s) of co-owner(s) of the well/bore well, provided co-owner(s) should own an extent of irrigated land of minimum 0.5 acre per service.
7. If the land is not contiguous, then NOC/route permit to be enclosed.
  8. If No Objection Certificate from Government Department is required then the same has to be enclosed.
  9. The applicant already registered under Normal category and availed LT IIIA(1) service for agriculture and allied activities for the well/borewell is only eligible for conversion into LT tariff IV once the applicant eligible to get regular supply in Normal category under LT tariff IV as per the specific seniority maintained for that purpose by the Licensee. This category is not eligible for any category other than Normal category including for those who have changed from Normal to other categories.
  10. The filled up application form along with above mentioned documents should be submitted through online. For registering the application amount (Rs.200/-+18% GST) has to be paid. After registering the application an acknowledgement mentioning the registration number and date of registration will be given to the applicant.

**A.** Free agricultural service connection is being given to the following categories and the Board is bearing entire estimate cost.

i. Normal :-

Before opting to any category, the application should be first registered under Normal category through online. Anyone can apply in this scheme.

ii. 350 nos special priority category:

Every year, 350 Nos. agricultural services are given on priority to Widows, Physically Challenged, Ex.servicemen, Serving soldier, Paramilitary, Ex-Paramilitary, Scheduled Tribes and Inter caste Married people under special priority scheme.

To get supply under this scheme, the applications along with relevant documents should be submitted to the concerned Superintending Engineer/EDC except Ex-Serviceman and Serving soldier category.

The applications of Ex.serviceman and Serving soldier category should be

submitted at Additional Director, Ex.Serviceman Welfare Department, No.22, Raja Muthiah Salai, Chennai.6.

The application will be considered only after the completion of one year from the date of registration under Normal category at Executive Engineer/O&M office.

Those who already availed the agricultural service connection under any category are not eligible to apply in this scheme.

iii. Supply will be effected on priority to sitting MP's/MLA's for the land owned by them only once irrespective of the number of terms they are elected.

**B.** Under TAHDCO scheme supply will be effected to SC/ST beneficiaries based on the list furnished by TAHDCO/Government of Tamil Nadu and on payment of amount on par with TATKAL amount by TAHDCO. To avail the service connections under TAHDCO scheme, the applicants are requested to approach concerned TAHDCO District Managers.

**C.** Revised Self Financing Schemes (RSFS)

For this scheme, after applying under Normal category, the applicant has to opt under this scheme by paying advance estimate cost of Rs. 500/- The following schemes are available.

i. Rs.25,000/- RSFS Scheme

ii. Rs.50,000/- RSFS Scheme

Under Rs.10,000/- RSFS Scheme, the applications registered under Normal category will be released from the oldest pending applications and after getting willingness from the applicant and by paying advance estimate cost of Rs. 500/- the applicants case will be considered.

For all the above schemes, the applicant has to pay the scheme cost (Rs.10,000/-, Rs.25,000/- & Rs.50,000/-) if the estimate cost is less than Rs.50,000/-. Otherwise, the applicant should pay the entire estimate cost.

**D.** Further to avail supply immediately Fast Track (Tatkal) SFS scheme has been introduced from 2017 onwards.

a) Fast Track (Tatkal) Self financing scheme is an optional and purely on the willingness of the registered applicants. It does not affect the regular waiting seniority of the applicants.

b) All the agriculture applications registered under normal category for the load up to 15 HP will be considered for this scheme and collect the scheme cost as detailed below:

Load upto 5 HP	-	Rs.2.50 Lakhs
Above 5 to 7.5 HP	-	Rs.2.75 Lakhs
Above 7.5 to 10 HP	-	Rs.3.00 Lakhs
Above 10 HP to 15 HP	-	Rs.4.00 Lakhs.

c) Refund of TATKAL SFS scheme amount is not possible.

E. Kalaigharin All Village Integrated Agriculture Development Programme

**(KAVIADP) :**

This scheme is being implemented by Agricultural Engineering Department under Component 1 and Component 2. Under Component 1, Agricultural service connection is provided to land clusters in the name of Agriculture/Horticulture department name after collecting the amount on par with TATKAL scheme cost and by collecting CC charges once in two months. Under component 2, agricultural service is provided to SC/ST beneficiaries after collecting the amount on par with TATKAL scheme cost with free electricity charges. To avail the service connections under KAVIADP scheme, the applicants are requested to approach concerned District Agriculture Engineering Department.