“Leaving Auroville” Fund Allowance

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Introduction:

A decision to allocate a “Leaving Auroville” Fund Allowance should be made on a fraternal basis using the following messages of Mother as inspiration and guide:

“Auroville is the ideal place for those who want to know the joy and liberation of no longer having any personal possessions.” (20 Sept 1969)

“At Auroville nothing belongs to anyone in particular. All is collective property. To be utilized with my blessing for the welfare of all.” (14 May 1970)

“The Aurovilian should lose the sense of personal possession. For our passage in the material world, what is indispensable to our life and action is put at our disposal according to the place we must occupy. The more we are consciously in contact with our inner being, the more will the exact means be given to us.” (13 June 1970)

In this spirit, there will be no link between what someone has spent on a house and how much they receive as fraternal support to leave Auroville.

Process:

The aim is to establish a very conscious and transparent approach and process, as widely consultative as possible.

1. Each case will be evaluated separately because each situation is unique.

2. A pool of Aurovilians shall be identified by the AV Council, to be called when needed. The pool shall not consist of members from FAMC or Housing Service/Board. This pool shall be published annually for the community’s information.

3. For each case, an individual(s) approaches the AV Council, after which a review group of 3-5 members will be formed. The members will be selected by the AV Council from the Pool.

4. The conclusions of the “Leaving Auroville” Allowance review group's study, with explanations/reasons, will be presented to the BCC/FAMC for final endorsement.
5. The conclusions of each case will also be sent to the other members of the pool for information and documentation.

6. A person, who has received a “Leaving Auroville” Fund Allowance but wants to return to Auroville within 3 years from the date of leaving, will repay the “Leaving Auroville” Allowance calculated at the present value of the amount allocated. The BCC/FAMC may waive repayment of the allowance in whole or in part, depending on each case.

7. Regarding Housing, in the event of the return of the individual(s) after 5 years, the allocation of a house will be determined by the HS, according to the RA approved policy in effect at that time, in all cases of a person leaving Auroville, whether temporarily or permanently.

**Factors to be considered by the members of the “Leaving Auroville” Fund Allowance Pool:**

1. Amount of need-based request, as stated by the individual(s), to facilitate the transit from Auroville to the new place of residence.

2. Length of time living and working in Auroville. (It is recommended that the person has lived in Auroville for a minimum of 15 years)

3. Feedback from neighbors, social circles, workplace, etc.

4. Contribution to Auroville's development and progress in the form of energy, expertise, or financial, overall commitment of an Aurovilian and his/her active participation in the Auroville experiment

6. Circumstances – health reasons, further education, etc.

7. Living costs in the country to which the move is being made.

*(These factors are not necessarily comprehensive. Others may be added by the members selected to review each case)*