

## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Abstract

Taxes Department -Excise- General Election to the State Legislative Assembly, 2016- Declaration of ' Dry Days '-Orders issued.

## TAXES (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No. 312/2016/TD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 18/04/2016.

Read: Letter No.576/14/2016/EPS/183 dated 10.03.2016 from the Election Commission of India, New Delhi.

## ORDER

The Election Commission of India, in the letter read above has directed to declare 'Dry Days' through out the State, during the period of 48 hours ending with the hour fixed for the conclusion of poll, for the peaceful and smooth conduct of free and fair poll of the General Election, 2016 under section 135 C of the Representation of the People Act, 1951. The Election Commission of India further instructed to observe the counting day also as 'Dry day '.

- (2) As per the decision of the Election Commission of India, the day of polls and counting of votes in Kerala are on 16/05/2016 and 19/05/2016 respectively. Hence, Government hereby declare and order 'Dry days' during 48 hours preceding the end of polling on 16/05/2016 (This will include the date of re poll if any), and the counting day on 19/05/2016 for the peaceful and smooth conduct of free and fair poll of the election to the Legislative Assembly in Kerala.
- (3) During the 'Dry Days' no spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquors or other substances of a like nature shall be sold, given or distributed at a hotel, eating house, tavern, shop or any other public place or private within the State. All liquor shops, hotels, restaurants, clubs and other establishments

selling/ serving liquor will remain closed, and are not permitted to serve liquor on these days. The storage of liquor by individuals is also prohibited.

(4) The Excise Commissioner will issue necessary instructions to the officials concerned to take necessary precautionary measures, vigorously, to detect and prevent storage and sale of liquor by unlicensed persons and in unlicensed premises during the above days.

(By Order of the Governor)

SATYAJEET RAJAN PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To

- 1. The Election Commission of India, Nirvachan Sadan, Ashok Road, New Delhi. (With Covering letter)
- 2. The State Election Commission Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram . (With Covering letter)
- 3. The Excise Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram
- 4. The State Police Chief , Thiruvananthapuram
- 5. The Managing Director, Kerala State Beverages Corporation, Thiruvananthapuram
- 6. All District Collectors
- 7. All Deputy Excise Commissioners
- 8. The Director, Information & Public Relations Department,
  Thiruvananthapuram (for publishing in the Government website)
- 9. The Stock File/ Office Copy.

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Section Officer