



## GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

### Abstract

Taxes Department – Excise – General Election to the Lok Sabha 2019 in the State of Tamilnadu – Declaration of 'Dry Days' – Orders issued.

### **TAXES (A) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Rt)No.264/2019/TAXES**

**Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, ,16/04/2019**

Read 1 Letter No.3628/2019- 3, dated 30.03.2019 of the Chief Electoral Officer & Secretary to Government, Chennai, Tamil Nadu.

2 Letter No. 2943/EL3/2019/Elec. Dated 07.04.2019 from the Chief Electoral Officer, Kerala.

### ORDER

The Chief Electoral Officer, in his letter read above has directed Government to declare 'dry days' in the adjoining areas in Kerala bordering State of Tamil Nadu in connection with the General Election to Lok Sabha 2019 & Bye-Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly 2019 with effect from 10.00 AM on 16.04.2019 to 12.00 midnight on 18.04.2019 (polling day) and also on 23.05.2019 (Counting Day) for the peaceful and smooth conduct of free and fair Election in Tamil Nadu, under Section 135C of the Representation of the People Act, 1951.

2)In view of the recommendations of the Election Commission, Government are pleased to order 'Dry Days' through out the adjoining areas in Kerala bordering with State of Tamil Nadu in connection with the General Election to Lok Sabha 2019 & Bye- Elections to Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly 2019 w.e.f 10.00 AM on 16.04.2019 to 12.00 midnight on 18.04.2019 (polling day) and also on 23.05.2019 (Counting Day).

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 a polling area. No liquor shops, hotels, restaurants, clubs and other establishments selling/serving liquor, shall be permitted to sell/serve liquor to anyone whatsoever, on the aforesaid days. Non-proprietary clubs, star hotels, restaurants etc. and hotels run by anyone, even if they are issued different categories of licenses for possession and supply of liquor, should also not be permitted to serve liquor on

these days. The storage of liquor by individuals shall be curtailed during the above period and the restrictions provided in the Excise-law on the storage of liquor in unlicensed premises shall be vigorously enforced. Steps shall also be taken to prohibit sale of liquor in adjoining areas of the concerned constituency (ies) so that there is no chance of clandestine movement of liquor from those areas, had the restriction not been in operation. 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 said days.

(By order of the Governor)  
**MOHANARAJ M**  
**JOINT SECRETARY**

To:

- 1.The Chief Electoral Officer, Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram (Vide Letter No.2943/EL3/2019/Elec dated 07.04.2019).
- 2.The Excise Commissioner, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 3.The State Police Chief, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 4.The Managing Director, Kerala State Beverages Corporation, Thiruvananthapuram.
- 5.The District Collectors, Thiruvananthapuram/Kollam/Idukki/Palakkad/ Wayanad.
- 6.The Deputy Excise Commissioners concerned.
- 7.The Chief Electoral Officer & Secretary to Government, Public (Elections.I) Department, Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.
- 8.The Information and Public Relations Department(Web & New Media), Thiruvananthapuram.
- 9.Stock File/Office Copy.

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Section Officer