

Government of Jammu and Kashmir  
Department of Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs  
J&K, Civil Secretariat, Jammu

Subject: - Imposition of restrictions on injudicious use of Essential Commodities in social/Govt./private functions.

GOVERNMENT ORDER NO: - 39 - FCS & CA OF 2017  
D A T E: - 20 - 02-2017

Whereas; a number of complaints/representations have time and again been received in the Department regarding injudicious use of Essential Commodities and extravaganza expenditures being made in both public and private functions by most of the people in the state.

Whereas; it has also been observed that a lot of noise, air, soil and water pollution is also caused by using big Generator sets/using high pitch sound amplifiers/loud speakers/Decks/profuse lightning/ bursting crackers etc in such functions.

Whereas; it has also been observed that by organizing big gatherings/inviting uncontrolled number of guests in such functions, the road often get blocked due to wrong parking of vehicle by the visitors thereby creating jams.

Whereas; it has also been observed/reported that large quantities of food items(both veg and non-veg) besides beverages, fruits, sweets etc are not only being served during these functions but most of it gets wasted and is thrown into dustbins.

Whereas; a lot of inconvenience is being caused to the masses in general and old, infirm, students and sick people in particular by the high pitch music etc.

Whereas; it has been observed that such excessive/injudicious use of essential commodities/meeting extravaganza arrangements by some people in the society as one group of people result in increase of demand/cost of Essential Products like Rice, Atta, Meat, vegetables, fruits etc in the market and on the other hand create economic stratification/social divide in the society besides affecting economic status of poor/weaker section of the society.

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Now therefore, keeping all the above referred factors in view, it is hereby ordered as under:

- i) There shall be complete ban on sending dry fruits/sweet packets etc with invitation cards by any person to relatives, friends, guests, invitees etc.
- ii) There shall be complete ban on use of amplifiers/loud speakers/fire crackers in any Government or private social function, which create sound beyond human capacity of hearing.
- iii) The number of guests to be invited on marriage of daughter (Barat); marriage of son and small functions like engagement of son/daughter and other small functions should be restricted to a maximum of 500, 400 and 100 respectively.
- iv) The number of non-veg/veg dishes to be cooked in such functions should be restricted to a maximum of 07 each and two stalls of sweets or fruits.
- v) It should be ensured that there is no wastage of any sort of food items uncooked or cooked during such functions. Even if there is some surplus food items (cooked), same shall not be thrown into dustbins but should be provided to deserving people/old age homes etc after properly preserving/packing the same.
- vi) No plastic/un-decomposable material shall be thrown in open field but shall be collected in separate dustbin and shall be disposed of properly by the host/organizer.

This order shall come into force w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> of April 2017.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

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