



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

GAD- Novel Corona Virus disease- regulations to contain the Covid-19 pandemic- operation of food processing units- clarification- orders issued

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (SECRET SECTION) DEPARTMENT

G.O (Rt) No. 1319/2020/GAD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 10.04.2020

- Ref: 1. G.O (Ms) No. 49/2020/GAD dated 24.03.2020
2. Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 24.03.2020 of MHA, GoI
3. G.O (Ms) No. 51/2020/GAD dated 26.03.2020
4. GO (Ms) No.56/2020/GAD dated 02.04.2020

ORDER

Central and State governments have enforced regulations in the form of lock down to contain the spread of Novel Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19). As per the guidelines, the manufacturing units of essential goods and shops dealing with food including groceries, fruits, vegetables, dairy, meat, fish, etc. are exempted from general lock down. However, the State Government has regulated the functioning of counter sales of shops from 7 am to 5 pm and online delivery from 7 am to 8 pm daily.

2. It has come to the notice of Government that concerned authorities are not permitting the food manufacturing/processing units to function beyond 5.00 pm.

3. In this context, it is clarified that the regulation *vis-a-vis* time period for functioning is applicable only to shops selling essential items and not to the food processing/manufacturing units. Hence, food processing/manufacturing units of essential food items shall be allowed to function throughout the day. However it should be ensured that these units function with minimum staff observing all other restrictions/regulations connected with the containment of COVID-19, including the 'Break the Chain' campaign.

(By Order of Governor)

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