

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Taxes (F) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O.(P)No.56/2015/TD

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 31st March 2015

S.R.O. No./2015- In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section(1) of section 2 of the Kerala Public Services Act, 1968 (19 of 1968), the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Service and Kerala Excise and Prohibition Subordinate Service (Uniform) Rules issued under G.O. (P) No. 151/77/TD dated 2nd December, 1977, and published as S.R.O.No.1203/77in Part I of the Kerala Gazette No.51 dated the 20th December, 1977, namely:-

Rules

- 1. <u>Short title and commencement-</u> 1) These rules may be called the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Service and Kerala Excise and Prohibition Subordinate Service (Uniform) Amendment Rules, 2015.
 - 2) They shall come into force at once.
- 2. <u>Amendment of the Rules</u>- In the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Service and Kerala Excise and Prohibition Subordinate Service (Uniform) Rules,-
 - (1) after rule 8, the following rule shall be added, namely:-
 - "9. Guidelines to be observed while wearing uniform:- Every member of the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Service and the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Subordinate Service shall observe the following guidelines while wearing uniforms, namely:-

- (i) Uniform should be worn in full and not in parts.
- (ii) If Lathi or Baton is carried, it must not be swung or waived about.
- (iii) While sitting, the cap may be removed and kept in the lap (or on a hat rack).
- (iv) At religious places there is no objection in removing those parts of the uniform the wearing of which is prohibited by custom.
- (v) The khaki worn must be either khaki gabardine or cotton or terry cotton, all of the prescribed shade.
- (vi) Those who are on parade should not wear wrist watches; gold chains should not be visible.
- (vii) Ordinary spectacles are permitted for those with defective vision, but dark glasses and goggles are prohibited when an officer is on parade.
- (viii) Pens, Pencils etc shall not be seen just out of pocket.
- (ix) Keeping hands in pockets of trouser is prohibited.
- (x) Hair should be so cut that it does not project outwards and outside the vertical line of the rim of head dress when it touches the head.
- (xi) No beard is permitted except on special occasion approved by the Excise Commissioner. No side buns are permitted and the face shall be shaved up to a level higher than the level of the centre of the ear.
- (xii) Smoking, chewing and chewing gums are not permitted.
- (xiii) The head dress and belt shall be removed while taking food except when it is not practicable.
- (xiv) No visible caste or religious mark should be worn or shown.
- (xv) If respect is to be shown to anybody (man or woman) proper salute may be given. There is no restriction that salute by individual officers are to be restricted to persons in authority only. Officers shall stand erect while saluting and not bow down.
- (xvi) The correct way of paying respects to a dead body is by saluting it properly.
- (xvii) The whistle shall always be worn at the end of the lanyard.
- (xviii) When a group of officers are together, only the senior most will receive or give the salute. Other will stiffen to attention.

- (xix) When entering or leaving a room, only the senior most officer present need to salute even if other officers are present.
- (xx) All judicial officers shall be saluted irrespective of rank. "
- (2) In SCHEDULE I, under the heading ," KERALA EXCISE AND PROHIBITION SERVICE",- (A) in Category 1. Excise Circle Inspectors,- (a) under clause (a),-
- (i) in item(vi), for the words "Khaki whistle chord- (Police model),with whistle", the words "Black whistle chord- (Police model), with whistle" shall be substituted;
- (ii) in item (x), for the words "ribbon yellow and red horizontally divided on each shoulder strap worn between metal badge and stars", the words "ribbon black and red horizontally divided with red on upper part on each shoulder strap worn between metal badge and stars" shall be substituted;
- (iii) After item (xii), the following items shall be added namely:-(xiii). Cross Belt (Brown).(xiv). Neck Scarf"
 - (b) Under clause (b), in item (v), for the words, "Khaki whistle chord and whistle", the words "Black whistle chord and whistle" shall be substituted.
 - (B) after category 2. Assistant Excise Commissioners, the following category shall be inserted, namely:-
 - "2A. Assistant Excise Commissioners (Higher Grade):- Review Order and working dress as above except in Badges of Rank, which will consist of Asoka Emblem on each shoulder strap and metal badge bearing letters "K.E.S"."
 - (C) in category 3. Deputy Excise Commissioners, for the words "Asoka emblem on each shoulder strap and metal badge bearing the letters "K.E.S"," the words "Asoka Emblem and one five-

- pointed star worn on each shoulder strap and metal badge bearing the letters "K.E.S"." shall be substituted.
- (D) in category 4. Joint Excise Commissioners,- (i) for the words "Asoka Emblem and one star worn on each shoulder strap and metal badge bearing the letters, "KES"," the words "Asoka Emblem and two five-pointed stars worn on each shoulder strap and metal badge bearing the letters "K.E.S." shall be substituted;
 - (ii) The proviso shall be omitted.
- (3) In SCHEDULE II, under the heading, "KERALA EXCISE AND PROHIBITION SUBORDINATE SERVICE",-
 - (A) in Category 1. Excise Inspector, under clause (a),-
 - (a) in item(vi), for the words "Khaki whistle chord and whistle", the words "Black whistle chord and whistle" shall be substituted;
 - (b) In item (ix), for the words "ribbon half red and half yellow horizontally divided worn between metal Badges and stars", the words "ribbon black and red horizontally divided with red on upper part on each shoulder strap worn between metal Badge and stars" shall be substituted;
 - (c) after item (ix), the following items shall be added, namely"-
 - "(x). Cross Belt (Brown)
 - (xi). Neck Scarf."
 - (B) after Category 1, the following category shall be inserted, namely""1A. Assistant Excise Inspectors:- Review Order and Working dress
 as above, except in badges of rank which will consist of one
 five-pointed star in yellow metal or gilt, worn on the centre of
 each shoulder strap with metal badge bearing the letters "KE"
 and ribbon black and red horizontally divided with red on upper
 part on each shoulder strap worn between metal badge and
 stars.";

(C) in the note below Category 2. Preventive Officers, the following sentence shall be added, namely"-

"On State ceremonies, ceremonial parades, presentation of guard of honour or whenever full dress is ordered, Preventive Officers and Civil Excise Officers shall wear neck scarf and waist band (Khamar Bandh)."

By order of the Governor,

Dr.W.R.REDDY, Principal Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

It is felt that Uniform code of the officers in Excise Department is to be levelled up equivalent to the rank of Officers in other uniform forces in the State. Rank priority in uniform is desirable and essential for the morale of the Excise Officers while in uniform. Also, that the jurisdiction, duties and responsibilities of higher level officers from the post of Assistant Excise Commissioners have been reassigned recently, but the uniform rules has not been modified accordingly. Government have decided to make necessary changes in the Kerala Excise and Prohibition Service and Kerala Excise and Prohibition Subordinate Service (Uniform) Rules, accordingly.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.