

**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**  
**General Administration(Service-D) Department**

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Sub:- Kerala Government Servant's Conduct Rules, 1960 – Classification to Rule 93B-Issued

Ref:- G.O. (P) No. 277/77/GAD dated 22.8.1977.

In the notification issued with the G.O. cited, Government have amended Rule 93B of the Kerala Government servants' Conduct Rules, 1960 regarding consumption of intoxicating drinks and drugs by Government Servants Sub-rule (2) of the above rule, as amended, provided that of the Government may by special or general order relax the provision of sub rule (10 in respect of any case if they consider that such relaxation is necessary in view of the special circumstances of the case.

The Government of India, Department of Social Welfare has advised the State Government to make following special provisions in the interest of foreign mission foreign visitors, tourist and others in the context of the programme for reducing consumption of alcoholic beverages:-

- (a) There need be no restriction on serving of liquor in the precincts of foreign embassies; foreign embassies may also be allowed to serve liquor in halls/ lounges of hotels and clubs provided such halls/lounges are exclusively reserved or taken on hire by them to entertain a select number of invites.
- (b) The exemption referred to in(a) above may also be extended to parties hosted by other in honour of foreigners subject to the condition that the number of invites does not exceed 100, and those hosting such parties obtain permits from the District Collector/District Magistrate Concerned.
- (c) Service of drinks to foreigners bars or special rooms earmarked for the purpose in hotels and restaurants approved by the Ministry of tourism and Civil Aviation may be permitted. In such approved hotels, there may not also objection to the service of beer both to foreigners and Indians, but the facility of service of wine in dining rooms should be restricted to foreigners only.
- (d) Clubs may be permitted to provide for service of drinks in their bar rooms only; beer, however may be permitted to be served anywhere within the precincts of such clubs
- (e) Alcoholic beverages may be permitted to be served in official parties hosted by the Government of India/ State Governments in 'closed lounges' hotels, clubs etc. where important foreign visitors are required to be entertained.
- (f) GPT.3/3258/G

It is considered necessary to clarify whether consumption of intoxicating drinks by the State Government Servants in the places and under the circumstances mentioned above would amount to violation of the Kerala Government Servants' Conduct Rules, 1960. The position is clarified below seriatum:-

- (a) A Government Servant cannot take drinks in the clubs or in the hals/lounges . However, where officers are required at attend official entertainment arranged by foreign mission in halls lounges of hotels and clubs, in the discharge of their official duties, taking drinks at such official entertainments will not attract rule 93B of the Kerala Government Servant's Conduct Rules provided the places where the entertainments are arranged are exclusively reserved or taken on hire by the foreign missions to entertain a select number of invite.
- (b) The Participation of Government Servants in such functions in also subject to the provisions indicated in (a) above subject to the condition that the parties are hosted by Government or any organization controlled by government, like Autonomous Bodies, Public Sector Undertaking etc.
- (c) Service of drinks to foreigners in bars or special rooms earmarked for the purpose in hotels and restaurants approved by the Ministry of Tourism and Civil Aviation may be Permitted. In such approved hotels, there may not also the objection to the service of beer both to foreigners and Indians but the facility of service of wine in dining rooms should be restricted to foreigners only. But a Government ervant cannot take drinks in such places.
- (d) Clubs may be permitted to provide for service of drinks in their bar rooms only: beer, however, may be permitted to be served any where within the precincts. But a Government Servant cannot take drinks in such places.
- (e) Alcoholic beverages may be permitted to be served in official parties hosted by the Government of India/State Government in closed lounges in hotels, clubs etc. where important foreign visitors are required to be entertained. Government Servants invited to such parties in their official capacity alone will be permitted to drink in such functions.

The Heads of Departments/Offices etc. are requested to bring the above clarification to the notice of all Government employees serving under them.

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All Heads of Departments and Offices.  
 All Departments (All Sections) of the Secretariat.  
 The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission(with C.L.)  
 The Registrar, High Court of Kerala, Ernakulam. ,, ,,  
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 The Registrar, Kerala Agricultural University, Trichur ,, ,,  
 The Advocate General, Ernakulam ,, ,,  
 The Secretary, Kerala Electricity Board ,, ,,  
 The General Manager, Kerala state Road Transport Corporation Trivandrum ,, ,,  
 The Secretary to Governor.  
 The Private secretaries to the Chief Minister and other Ministers.  
 The Stenographers to the Chief Secretary and Additional Chief Secretary.  
 The Director of Public Relations, Trivandrum