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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Taxes(G) Department

NOTIFICATION

G.O. (P) No. 57/2020/TD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 21st April, 2020 8th Medam, 1195.

S. R. O. No. 283/2020

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 24 and 29 of the Abkari Act, 1 of 1077, the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Kerala Distillery and Warehouse Rules, 1968 issued under notification No. G. O. (Ms.)75/68/RD. dated 1st February, 1968 and published as S.R.O. 112/69 in the Kerala Gazette No.11 dated 18th March, 1969, namely:—

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Kerala Distillery and Warehouse (Amendment), Rules, 2020.

(2) They shall be deemed to have come into force with effect from the 1st day of April, 2020.

2. Amendment of the Rules.— In the Kerala Distillery and Warehouse Rules, 1968, in PART I,—

- (i) in item (b) of clause (ii) of sub-rule (c) of rule 4, for the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs.2 Lakhs", the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs.4 Lakhs" shall be substituted;
- (ii) in sub-rule (1) of rule 11,—
 - (a) in sub-clause (c), for the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs.2 Lakhs", the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs. 4 Lakhs" shall be substituted;
 - (b) in sub-clause (d), for the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs.2 Lakhs", the letters, symbol, word and figure "Rs. 4 Lakhs" shall be substituted;
 - (c) for in sub-clause (e), the following sub-clause shall be substituted, namely:----

"(e) The labels to be affixed on the bottles shall be approved by the Excise Commissioner as per the Kerala Foreign Liquor (Approval of Label) Rules, 2018."

- (iii) in rule 16, sub-rule (1), in sub-clause (b), for the letters, symbols and figures "Rs.50,000", the letters, symbols, words, figures and brackets "Rs. 1,00,000 (Rupees One Lakh only)" shall be substituted;
- (iv) after the rule 47A, the following rule shall be inserted, namely:—

"47B. Outside State Manufactures (Distilleries and Compounding, Blending and Bottling Units) engaged in bottling tie-up with Distilleries in the State.— (1) The manufactures of Indian Made Foreign Liquor, situated outside the State, ie., Distilleries, Compounding, Blending and Bottling Units or in whatever name they known, shall be allowed to manufacture Indian Made Foreign Liquor in the Distilleries situated in the State subject to the following conditions, namely:—

> (i) The manufacturer shall submit an application for the purpose before the Excise Commissioner after remitting a fee of Rs.2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakhs only) for approving each tie-up arrangements with any of the Distilleries in Kerala.



(ii) Separate application shall be submitted for the approval of each tie-up arrangements with each Distillery in Kerala after remitting fees for each unit as specified in item (i) above.

Explanation:—Tie-up means mutual agreement between the outside State manufacturers or owners of an Indian Made Foreign Liquor brand and Distilleries in the State for the purpose of compounding, blending or bottling their brands in Kerala."

(v) in the FORMS,—

(a) in FORM II, in condition number 3, for the letters, symbols, words, figures and brackets "Rs.2,00,000 (Rupees Two lakhs only)", the letters, symbols, words, figures and brackets "Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four lakhs only)" shall be substituted;

(b) in FORM III, in condition number 3, for the letters, symbols, words and brackets "Rs.2,00,000 (Rupees Two lakhs only)", the letters, symbols, words, figures and brackets "Rs.4,00,000/- (Rupees Four lakhs only)" shall be substituted.

By order of the Governor,

SATYAJEET RAJAN,

Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

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

Government have announced its Abkari policy for the year 2020-2021, as per G.O. (Ms.) No. 22/2020/TD. dated 27th February, 2020. The said Government Order was amended as per G.O.(Ms.) No. 33/2020/TD. dated 19th March, 2020. As per the above said Government Orders, Government have inter alia decided to enhance the annual fee for licences issued under the Kerala Distillery and Warehouse Rules, 1968. It is also decided to introduce annual fee to the manufacturers outside the State who are engaging tie-up with distilleries situated in the State for manufacturing their brands in Kerala. In order to implement the above said Abkari Policy of the Government, the Kerala Distillery and Warehouse Rules, 1968 need to be amended suitably.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

