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NOTIFICATION

G. O. (P) No. 2/2023/TD.

Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 6th January, 2023
22nd Dhanu, 1198.

S. R. O. No. 59/2023

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 18, 24 and 29 of the Abkari Act, 1 of 1077, the Government of Kerala hereby make the following rules further to amend the Foreign Liquor Rules issued under Notification No. SR 4-1859/52/RD. dated 17th January, 1953 and published in the Travancore-Cochin Gazette Extraordinary No. 2 dated 17th January, 1953, namely:—

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) These rules may be called the Foreign Liquor (Amendment) Rules, 2023.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.*—In the Foreign Liquor Rules, after rule 3, the following rule and explanation shall be inserted, namely:—

“3A. The alcoholic content of low alcoholic beverage which shall be sold is 0.5% v/v to 20% v/v”.

Explanation.—“For the purpose of this sub-rule, ‘low alcoholic beverage’ means a beverage or a liquor or a brew, having the strength of alcohol between 0.5% v/v to 20% v/v, but does not include beer and wine”.

By order of the Governor,

DR. RATHAN U. KELKAR,
Secretary to Government.

Explanatory Note

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

The Government have announced its Abkari Policy for the year 2022-2023, as per G. O. (Ms.) No. 18/2022/TD. dated 31st March, 2022. Government have *inter-alia* decided to permit the sale of low alcoholic beverages having lesser alcoholic content other than beer and wine in the State. In order to implement the above decision, the Foreign Liquor Rules, 1953 need to be amended. Hence the Government have decided to make suitable amendments in the above said rule.

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.