GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Prohibition & Excise – Levy of Addl. Retail Excise Tax (ARET) at 10 % on the issue price of Indian Made Foreign Liquor, Foreign Liquor, Beer, Wine and Ready to Drink varieties supplied by the wholesale IMFL Depots to the licensees of Bars – Orders – Issued.

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REVENUE (Excise) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.

<u>Dated:18.09.2020.</u> Read the following:

- 1. G.O.Ms.No.422, Revenue (Excise-II) Department, dated 30.09.2019.
- 2. G.O.Ms.No.471, Revenue (Excise.II) Department, dated: 22.11.2019.
- 3. G.O.Ms.No.256 Revenue (Excise) Department, dt.03.09.2020
- 4. From the Commissioner of Proh. & Excise, A.P., Cr.No.3300/2020/CPE/E3, dt.17.09.2020.

ORDER:

In pursuance of the committed policy of reducing levels of consumption of liquor, the Government of Andhra Pradesh have taken several measures and implemented it in letter and spirit. With a view to discourage consumption of liquor, the Government have issued orders in the G.O. 1st read above levying Additional Retail Excise Tax (ARET) on various alcoholic beverages. The ARET has been levied differentially in respect of Bars, vide G.O.2nd read above. The rates have been rationalized vide G.O. 3rd read above.

- 2. In the reference 4^{th} read above, the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has submitted proposal stating that the issue prices of liquor / beer supplied to Bar lincensees are very high when compared to those of other States and hence requested to revise the Additional Retail Excise Tax (ARET) to 10 % of the issue price in supersession of the orders issued in the G.O. 2^{nd} read above.
- 3. After careful examination of the matter, Government have decided to revise the levy of ARET on the issue price of Indian Made Foreign Liquor, Foreign Liquor, Beer, Wine and Ready to Drink varieties supplied by the Wholesale IMFL depots to the licensees of Bars.
- 4. Accordingly, the following Notification will be published in an Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated the 19th September, 2020.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Clause (e) of Section-22 of the Andhra Pradesh Excise Act,1968 (Andhra Pradesh Act No. 17 of 1968) and in supersession of the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.471 Revenue (Excise-II) Department, dt.22.11.2019 and in continuation of the orders issued in G.O.Ms.No.256 Revenue (Excise) Department, dt.03.09.2020, the Government of Andhra Pradesh hereby levy Additional Retail Excise Tax (ARET) at 10 % on the issue price of Indian Made Foreign Liquor, Foreign Liquor, Beer, Wine and Ready to Drink varieties supplied by the Wholesale IMFL depots to the licensees of Bars.

2. These orders shall come into force w.e.f. 19.09.2020.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. RAJAT BHARGAVA SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner of Printing and Stationery and Stores Purchase,

A.P., Vijayawada (with a request to send 100 copies of the Notification to Government and 300 copies to the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, A.P., Vijayawada)

The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise, A.P., Vijayawada.



The Managing Director, A.P. State Beverages Corporation Limited, Vijayawada. Copy to:

The P.S. to the Prl. Secretary to Chief Minister.
The P.S. to the Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister (Excise & CT).

The P.S. to the Special Chief Secretary to Govt. Revenue (CT, P&E, R&S). SC/SF.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER