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Part II—Section 2

Notifications or Orders of interest to a Section of the public issued by Secretariat Departments.

NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

COVID-19 – NOTIFICATION ISSUED TO INCREASE THE SEATING CAPACITY OF CINEMAS/THEATRES/MULTIPLEXES FROM EXISTING 50% TO 100% - UNDER THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005

CANCELLATION OF NOTIFICATION

[G.O.Ms. No.20, Revenue and Disaster Management (D.M.IV), 8th January 2021, மார்கழி 24, சார்வரி, திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு–2051.]

No.II(2)/REVDM/23(c)/2021.

In the Government Order fifth read above, among other things, Cinemas/theatres/Multiplexes were permitted to open from 10.11.2020 with 50% of their seating capacity by following the Standard Operating Procedure.

2. Based on the decrease in the COVID-19 cases day by day, the Theatre Owners Association have represented to Government that Train, Bus, Air Transport, Shopping Complex and Film Shooting etc. Have been permitted with relaxations, and taking into consideration of the welfare of the Theatre Workers, to increase the seating capacity of Cinemas/theatres/Multiplexes from 50% to 100%. Accordingly, in G.O.Ms.No.001, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 4.1.2021, Notification was issued to permit to increase the seating capacity from existing 50% to 100% in Cinemas/theatres /Multiplexes by following the Standard Operating Procedure.

3. In view of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, Guidelines, the Government hereby **cancel** the notification issued in GO.Ms.No.001, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 4.1.2021 and order that Cinemas/theatres /Multiplexes shall be permitted to function with 50% of their seating capacity, by following the Standard Operating Procedures until further orders.

4. Further, as per the direction of the Hon'ble High Court of Madras, theatres were permitted to screen additional shows.

K.SHANMUGAM, Chief Secretary.