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F. No. GAC-21-5/2018-CDN

Dated 23 August, 2018

ENDORSEMENT

Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India has issued an O.M. No. 15/1/2018-Public dated 02.08.2018 regarding strict compliance of the provisions contained in the "Flag Code of India, 2002" and The Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and the same has been uploaded on the ICAR web-site www.icar.org.in and e-office for information & compliance.

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No. 15/1/2018-Public Government of India/Bharat Sarkar Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya

Public Section

IMMEDIATE 59

North Block, New Delhi-01 Dated the & August, 2018

To

The Chief Secretaries / Administrators of All State Governments / UT Administrations, Secretaries of all Ministries / Departments of Govt. of India.

Subject:-Strict compliance of the provisions contained in the 'Flag Code of India, 2002' and 'The Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971'- regarding.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to say that the Indian National Flag represents hopes and aspirations of the people of our country and hence should occupy a position of honour. There is universal affection and respect for, and loyalty to, the National Flag. Yet, a perceptible tack of awareness is often noticed amongst people as well as organizations/agencies of the Government, in regard to laws, practices and conventions that apply to display of the National Flag. A copy each of 'The Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971' and 'Flag Code of India, 2002' which governs display of National Flag, are enclosed herewith for strict compliance of the provisions contained in the Act and the Flag Code (copy also available on this Ministry's website www.mha.gov.in). You are requested to create mass awareness programme in this regard and also to give it wide publicity through advertisements in the electronic and print media.

2. Further, it has been brought to notice of this Ministry that on the occasions of important national, cultural and sports events, the National Flags made of plastic are also being used in place of National Flags made of paper. Since, plastic flags are not biodegradable like paper flags, these do not get decomposed for a long time and ensuring appropriate disposal of National Flags made of plastic commensurate with dignity of the flag, is a practical problem. You are, therefore, requested to ensure that on the occasions of important national, cultural and sports events, Flags made of paper only are used by public in terms of the provisions of the 'Flag Code of India, 2002' and such paper Flags are not discarded or thrown on the ground after the event.

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Such Flags are to be disposed of, in private, consistent with the dignity of the Flag. You are also requested to give wide publicity, for not using the National Flag made of plastic in the electronic and print media.

Yours faithfully,

Encl.:-As above.

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(Deepak Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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The Indian National flag represents the hopes and aspirations of the people of India. It is the symbol of our national pride. Over the last five decades, several people including members of armed forces have ungrudgingly laid down their lives to keep the tricolour flying in its full glory.

The significance of the colours and the chakra in the National Flag was amply described by Dr. S. Radhakrishnan in the Constituent Assembly which unanimously adopted the National Flag. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan explained—"Bhagwa or the saffron colour denotes renunciation of disinterestedness. Our leaders must be indifferent to material gains and dedicate themselves to their work. The white in the centre is light, the path of truth to guide our conduct. The green shows our relation to soil, our relation to the plant life here on which all other life depends. The Ashoka Wheel in the center of the white is the wheel of the law of dharma. Truth or satya, dharma or virtue ought to be the controlling principles of those who work under this flag. Again, the wheel denotes motion. There is death in stagnation. There is life in movement. India should no more resist change, it must move and go forward. The wheel represents the dynamism of a peaceful change."

There is universal affection and respect for, and loyalty to, the National Flag. Yet, a perceptible lack of awareness is often noticed not only amongst people but also in the organizations/agencies of the Government, in regard to laws, practices and conventions that apply to the display of the National Flag. Apart from non-statutory instructions issued by the Government from time to time, display of the National Flag is governed by the provisions of the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950 (No. 12 of 1950) and the



Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 (No. 69 of 1971). Flag Code of India, 2002 is an attempt to bring together all such laws, conventions, practices and instructions for the guidance and benefit of all concerned.

For the sake of convenience, Flag Code of India, 2002, has been divided into three parts. Part I of the Code contains general description of the National Flag. Part II of the Code is devoted to the display of the National Flag by members of public, private organizations, educational institutions, etc. Part III of the Code relates to display of the National Flag by Central and State Governments and their organizations and agencies.

Flag Code of India, 2002, takes effect from January 26, 2002 and supersedes the 'Flag Code—India' as it existed.

PART I GENERAL

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- 1.1 The National Flag shall be a tri-colour panel made up of three rectangular panels or sub-panels of equal widths. The colour of the top panel shall be India saffron (Kesari) and that of the bottom panel shall be India green. The middle panel shall be white, bearing at its centre the design of Ashoka Chakra in navy blue colour with 24 equally spaced spokes. The Ashoka Chakra shall preferably be screen printed or otherwise printed or stenciled or suitably embroidered and shall be completely visible on both sides of the Flag in the centre of the white panel.
- 1.2 The National Flag of India shall be made of hand spun and hand woven wool/cotton/silk khadi bunting.
- 1.3 The National Flag shall be rectangular in shape. The ratio of the length to the height (width) of the Flag shall be 3:2.
- 1.4 The standard sizes of the National Flag shall be as follows:-

Flag Size No.	Dimensions in r	
	6300 X 4200	
ģ	3600 X 2400	
	2700 X 1800	
1	1800 X 1200	
	1350 X 900	
6	900 X 600	
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Q	225 X 150	
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1.5 An appropriate size should be chosen for display. The flags of 450X300 mm size are intended for aircrafts on VVIP flights, 225X150 mm size for motor-cars and 150X100 mm size for table flags.

PART II



HOISTING/DISPLAY/USE OF NATIONAL FLAG BY MEMBERS OF PUBLIC, PRIVATE ORGANISATIONS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, ETC.

SECTION I

2.1 There shall be no restriction on the display of the National Flag by members of general public, private organizations, educational institutions, etc., except to the extent provided in the Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950* and

Section 2: In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires:-

(a) "emblem" means any emblem. seal, flag, insignia, coat-of-arms or pictorial representation specified in the Schedule.

Section 3: Notwithstanding anything contained in any law for the time being in force, no person shall, except in such cases and under such conditions as may be prescribed by the Central Government, use, or continue to use, for the purpose of any trade, business, calling or profession, or in the title of any patent, or in any trade mark of design, any name or emblem specified in the Schedule or any colourable imitation thereof without the previous permission of the Central Government or of such officer of Government as may be authorised in this behalf by the Central Government.

NOTE: The Indian National Flag has been specified as an emblem in the Schedule to the Act.

^{*}The Emblems and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act, 1950.

the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971** and any other law enacted on the subject. Keeping in view the provisions of the aforementioned Acts -

- (i) the Flag shall not be used for commercial purposes in violation of the Emblem and Names (Prevention of Improper Use) Act. 1950;
- (ii) the Flag shall not be dipped in salute to any person or thing;

** The Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971

Section 2: Whoever in any public place or in any other place within public view burns, mutilates, defaces, defiles, disfigures, destroys, tramples upon or otherwise brings into contempt (whether by words, either spoken or written, or by acts) the Indian National Flag or any part thereof, shall be punished with imprisonment for a term which may extend to three years, or with fine, or with both.

Explanation 1. - Comments expressing disapprobation or criticism of....... the Indian National Flag or of any measures of the Government with a view to obtainor an alteration of the Indian National Flag by lawful means do not constitute an offence under this section.

Explanation 2. - The expression "Indian National Flag" includes any picture, painting, drawing or photograph, or other visible representation of the Indian National Flag, or of any part or parts thereof, made of any substance or represented on any substance.

Explanation 3. - The expression "public place" means any place intended for use by, or accessible to, the public and includes any public conveyance.

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