No. 436 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024 OFFICE ORDER

Pursuant to the Letter No.2437 & 2440/Ex.dtd. 10.04.2024 of the Excise Department ,Odisha , Bhubaneswar followed by letter No.3834/Ex.dtd. 12.04.2024 of the Excise Commissioner, Odisha, Cuttack and in exercise of powers conferred U/S- 26 (1) of Odisha Excise Act' 2008, read with Rule-45(3) of Odisha Excise Rules,2017, it is hereby ordered that all kinds of Excise shops located at different areas of this district shall remain closed and sealed for the period as detailed below, in view of ensuing Simultaneous General Elections to Lok Sabha & State Legislative Assembly of Odisha-2024 and the entire day of counting i.e. on Dt.04.06.2024 for preservation of public peace and tranquility in the area and to conduct free and fair Elections,2024.

Further, according to the provisions of Sec-135C of the Representation of the People Act,1951 and as per instructions imparted in the above letters of the Government in Excise Department / Excise Commissioner,Odisha, it is also hereby ordered that in the interest of free and fair election/poll, no spirituous, fermented or intoxicating liquors or other substances of like nature shall be sold, given or distributed at any Hotel, eating house, tavern, shop or any other place, public or private, within a polling area during the period of 48(forty eight) hours ending with the hour fixed for the conclusion of poll for any Election in the polling area including the day of counting of votes on Dt. 04.06.2024. This will include the dates of re-poll, if any.

Besides, in view of 2nd phase Election on dtd.20.05.2024 in Kandhamal Parliamentary Constituency and 4th phase Election on dtd.01.06.2024 in the bordering areas of Jajpur, Kendrapada and Jagatsinghpur Parliamentary Constituencies, it is also hereby ordered that to prohibit sale of liquor i.e. observation of "DRY DAY" in the adjoining areas of the concerned constituencies and to counteract the chance of clandestine movement of liquor from the adjoining areas, the liquor shops of the district shall also be closed and sealed during the period of 48(forty eight) hours ending with hour fixed for the conclusion of poll. This will include the dates of re-poll, if any.

Further, it is ordered to close down and seal all Excise Shops in the areas where elections are to be held and adjoining areas falling within 7-10 K.M of the inter-District borders to prevent flow of liquor to the areas going to polls.

SI. No.	Poll Period	Shops located in the areas	'Period of Closure	Date & Time of Closure
1	In view of Poll in Kandhamal Parliamentary Constituency on Dtd. 20.5.2024	If any Excise shop of Cuttack District located within 7-10 K.M distance from the border area of Kandhamal Parliamentary Constituency	From 4.00 P.M of 18.05.2024 till end of sale hour on 20.05.2024	By 4.00 PM of 18.05.2024 positively
2	In view of Poll in Cuttack, Puri, Bhubaneswar and Dhenkanal Parliamentary Constituencies , on Dtd. 25.05.2024	(1)- All Excise Shops of Badamba, Banki,Athagarh, Barabati-Cuttack, Choudwar- Cuttack and Cuttack Sadar Assembly Constituencies (2)- If any Excise shop of Cuttack District located within 7-10 K.M distance from the border area of Puri, Bhubaneswar and Dhenkanal Parliamentary Constituencies	From 4.00 P.M of 23.5.2024 till end of sale hour on 25.5.2024	By 4.00 PM of 23.05.2024 positively

3	In view of Poll in Jajpur, Kendrapada and Jagatsinghpur Parliamentary Constituencies , on Dtd. 01.06.2024	(1)- All Excise Shops of Niali, Salipur and Mahanga Assembly Constituencies including OSBC Depot, Nirgundi (2)- If any Excise shop of Cuttack District located within 7-10 K.M distance from the border area of Jajpur, Kendrapada and Jagatsinghpur Parliamentary Constituencies.	From 4.00 P.M of 30.5.2024 till end of sale hour on 01.06.2024	By 4.00 PM of 30.05.2024 positively
4	In view of Counting of votes on Dtd. 04.06.2024	All Excise Shops of entire Cuttack District including OSBC Depot, Nirgundi	Whole day on 04.06.2024	After Sale hour on 03.06.2024 positively

Besides, the Unit of M/S Som Distilleries and Breweries, Odishsa Pvt. Ltd (Both Bottling and Brewery Unit) and M/S Bloom Craft Pvt. Ltd. Lease out of United Spirit Pvt. ltd. (Bottling Unit) of Cuttack District are allowed only to manufacture Liquor / Beer, but, shall not import/transport any type of Spirit and/or dispose of/sale/transport Liquor/Beer during the closure period in view of poll and counting in Cuttack District. The OICs(Excise) shall supervise the functioning of the Bottling and Brewery Unit properly during these period.

Similarly, the OSBC Depot, Nirgundi shall remain closed in view of poll and counting in Cuttack District. The Branch Manager, OSBC should ensure regarding closure of the same during the election period.

No licensee shall be allowed to lift stock of IMFL/Beer/CL from the OSBC Depot during the closure period. If any violation is noticed, action will be taken as per law.

The Industrial Units (utilizing Molasses) of this district shall not be allowed to transport/import molasses during the closure period in view of poll and counting in Cuttack District. Concerned Units are advised to make necessary arrangements for lifting/transportation/import of Molasses accordingly for smooth functioning of their Units.

In view of General Elections, the above periods are declared as "DRY DAY".

Concerned OICs of Excise Stations shall close & seal the liquor shops in proper time. No compensation shall be paid for such closure.

All the OICs of Excise Stations including the AC Level Liquor Monitoring Teams formed in this district/ District Mobile Unit, Cuttack and All Range Inspectors of Excise and Deputy Superintendent of Excise of Cuttack District should follow and implement this order meticulously. Further, they are instructed to remain vigilant against inflow of liquor from surrounding areas of Polling Zone.Besides, all Excise Officers should remain vigilant that not a drop of liquor is sold in and around the shop premises. Besides, they are directed to intensify the patrolling duty/enforcement work and check the suspected places, so as to curb the illicit/illegal sale of Excisable articles during the closure period.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Memo No. 4362 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy to all concerned Excise Licensees of Cuttack district (through concerned

OICs of Excise Stations) for information and necessary action.

Copy to all OICs of Excise Stations of this district/ District Mobile Unit, Cuttack / All Range Inspectors of Excise, Cuttack / DSEs of Cuttack District for information & necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Memo No. 4363 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy forwarded to the DCP, Cuttack / Superintendent of Police, Cuttack for information & necessary action.

Copy to All Additional District Magistrates / All Sub- Collectors of Cuttack District for information and necessary action.

Copy to all Tahasildars/BDOs of this district for information and necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Memo No. 4364 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy submitted to the Excise Commissioner, Odisha, Cuttack / Joint Excise Commissioner, Odisha, Cuttack / Additional Secretary to Government Excise Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar / E.D.C. (C.D), Cuttack for favour of kind information and necessary action.

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Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Copy submitted to the Managing Director, OSBC Ltd, 2nd Floor, Fortune Tower, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Memo No. 4366 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy submitted to the Additional Secretary to Government, O/O the Chief Electoral Officer, Odisha, Home (Elections) Department, Bhubaneswar for favour of kind information and necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

Mano No. 4367/Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy to Branch Manager / O.I.C, Excise, O.S.B.C, Nirgundi Depot./Chhatabar Depot for information and necessary action. It is intimated not to issue any consignment of IMFL / Beer / Country Liquor against the Liquor Shops located in above Assembly Constituency areas during the above period.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

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Copy to Managing Director / O.I.C, Excise, M/S Som Distilleries and Breweries, Odishsa Pvt. Ltd (Both Bottling and Brewery Unit) and M/S Bloom Craft Pvt. Ltd. Lease out of United Spirit Pvt. Itd. (Bottling Unit) and M&TP Unit of Cuttack District for information and necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.

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Copy forwarded to the Collector & District Magistrate, Kandhamal/ Dhenkanal / Puri / Khordha / Jajpur / Kendrapada / Jagatsinghpur / Nayagarh / Angul for information and necessary action. It is requested to close down the Excise Shops operating within 7-10 K.M of borders of Cuttack District during General Election as per guidelines of the Governments.

Copy forwarded to the Superintendent of Excise, Kandhamal/ Dhenkanal /Puri / Khordha/Bhubaneswar/Jajpur/Kendrapada/Jagatsinghpur / Nayagarh/Angul for information and necessary action. It is requested to close down the Excise Shops operating within 7-10 K.M of borders of Cuttack District during General Election as per guidelines of the Governments.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack

Memo No. 4370 /Ex. Dtd. 09 05 2024

Copy to all concerned Industrial Units (utilizing Molasses) of this district (through concerned Inspector of Excise/OICs of Excise) for information and necessary action.

Collector & District Magistrate, Cuttack.