

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA

ABSTRACT

Revenue Department- Prohibition and Excise- Allotment of retail liquor (A4) shops in the State for licence period 2023-25 (01.12.2023 to 30.11.2025)- Notification – Orders- Issued

REVENUE (EXCISE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 86

Dated:- 01.08.2023

Read the following:

1. G.O.Ms.no.391 Rev (Ex.II) Dept dated 18.06.2012.
2. G.O.Ms.no.87 Rev (Ex.II) Dept dated 20.09.2021
3. From the Director, Prohibition & Excise, Hyderabad
Lr.No. 3060/2017/CPE/TS/F1 dated 01.08.2023

ORDER:

The following notification will be published in an Extra-Ordinary issue of the Telangana Gazette dated 01.08.2023

NOTIFICATION

ALLOTMENT OF RETAIL LIQUOR (A4) SHOPS FOR LICENSE PERIOD 2023-25

Government hereby formulates the following guidelines in relation to allotment of retail liquor (A4) shops for the license period 2023-25.

Period

1. The privilege of selling liquor by shop for the license period 2023-25, commencing from 01.12.2023 up to 30.11.2025, shall be granted through drawl of lots based on fixed shop excise tax.

Application Process

Application

2. Interested applicants or their authorized representatives may make applications in the prescribed application form enclosed as Annexure 1. Partnership firms / companies are also eligible to apply. An applicant may submit more than one application for one A4 liquor shop. However, each such application shall be accompanied with prescribed application fee.

Schedule

3. The schedule for the entire process starting from identification of A4 liquor shops for allotment to Goud/ SC/ST category; issuance of notification and all other activities up to the start of operation of A4 liquor shops shall be specified by Commissioner / Director, Prohibition and Excise

Application Fee

4. Application fee for each application for each A4 liquor shop shall be fixed at Rs.2.00 lakhs (Two lakhs only), same as during 2021-23 license period. This application fee is non-refundable.

Equity

5. To ensure livelihood security for members of Goud community who have traditionally been in the profession of tapping/sale of toddy & liquor and for the economic upliftment of Gouds, SCs and STs; Government, through reference 2nd read above, has notified for allotment of A4 liquor shops to following categories, at percentage mentioned against their name.

Allotment of A4 Liquor Shops to Gouds, SCs and STs		
Sl. No.	Category	Percentage
1	Gouds	15%
2	Scheduled Castes (SC)	10%
3	Scheduled Tribes (ST)	5%

6. Only persons belonging Goud / SC / ST community shall apply for allotment of A4 liquor shops notified for the category by making application in the prescribed form along with requisite fee.
7. The number of A4 liquor shops to be notified for each of the above category in a district shall be proportional to the population of that category in the district to the total population of the category in the state.
8. The A4 liquor shops to be allotted to each of the above category in a district shall be decided by drawal of lots to be conducted by the concerned District Collector in a transparent manner as per schedule specified and according to guidelines issued by Commissioner / Director, Prohibition and Excise.

Selection Process

9. After the due date for receipt of applications, the applications shall be scrutinized and District Collector shall conduct a drawal of lot to select the successful applicant for each A4 liquor shop, as per schedule specified.
10. The drawal of lot shall be conducted in the presence of applicants or their authorized representatives.

Taxation

Retail Shop Excise Tax (RSET)

11. Retail Shop Excise Tax for different population slabs in the license period 2023-25 are continued as such from license period 2021-23 and are as follows:

Retail Shop Excise Tax (RSET) Slabs		
Sl. No.	Population (as per 2011 census)	Retail Shop Excise Tax per annum (in Rs. lakhs)
1	Up to 5000	50.00
2	Above 5000 up to 50,000	55.00
3	Above 50,000 up to 1,00,000	60.00
4	Above 1 lakh up to 5 lakhs	65.00
5	Above 5 lakhs up to 20 lakhs	85.00
6	Above 20 lakhs	110.00

12. RSET for A4 liquor shops within 5KM periphery from the borders of GHMC shall be same as that of A4 liquor shops within GHMC.
13. RSET for A4 liquor shops within 5km periphery from the borders of Municipal Corporation other than GHMC shall be same as that of A4 liquor shops within the Municipal Corporation.
14. RSET for A4 liquor shops within 2km periphery from the borders Municipality/ smaller urban area shall be same as that of A4 liquor shops within the Municipality/Smaller Urban Area.
15. In case of any dispute regarding the slab rate of SET in any area, the decision of the Commissioner / Director, Prohibition and Excise shall be final.

Special Retail Excise Tax

16. Special Retail Excise Tax (SRET) shall be collected at the same rates as during license period 2021-23 i.e, @ Rs. 5.00 lakhs per A4 liquor shop per annum

Instalments

17. The A4 liquor shop licensees shall pay annual RSET in 6 equal instalments every year during the license period 2023-25.

Security

18. The licensee shall submit a Bank Guarantee equal to 1/4th of annual RSET i.e., 25% of annual RSET for 25 months, from the date of beginning of the license period.

Rationalization of Turnover Tax

19. The Shop Turnover Tax shall be collected when the cumulative value of licensees' annual purchases during each license year exceeds TEN (10) times of annual RSET.

20. The Shop Turnover Tax shall be collected @ 10% (inclusive of VAT), on the purchases thereon, on the sale price of IMFL and FL (including beer) purchased from TSBCL. Thus, the retailer margin after crossing the benchmark turnover shall be 10% in the license period 2023-25.

Operation of A4 Liquor Shops

Timings

21. The business hours of A4 liquor shops shall remain the same as they were in the license period 2021-23 i.e
- 10.00 A.M.to 11.00P.M in GHMC and its peripheral areas
 - 10.00 A.M. to 10.00 P.M. in other areas

Retail Price

22. The licensee shall sell IMFL and FL (including beer) at designated retail sale price indicated on the label of the bottle only. Any sale in deviation of the retail sale price, either above or below such price, shall be punishable under sections 36(b) and 41 of Telangana Excise Act, 1968.

Margin

23. The retailer's margin shall be same as during license period 2021-23 i.e, 27% on ordinary category of IMFL, 20% on medium and premium categories of IMFL and FL and 20% on beer.

Walk-in Store

24. The provision for walk-in stores is continued from licensed period 2021-23. All A4 liquor shop licensees shall be permitted to convert their A4 liquor shop into walk-in store on payment of fee of Rs. 5.00 lakhs per annum for each shop.
25. Walk-in stores shall be permitted to stock and sell all liquor related accessories like ice buckets, ice tongs, wine corks screws, trays, glasses, goblets, etc. from the licensed premises.

Monitoring Systems and License Conditions

26. All A4 liquor shops in the State will be equipped with required systems and equipment as prescribed by Commissioner / Director, Prohibition and Excise with full automation to update day to day transactions.
27. All A4 liquor shops will install (03) CCTV Cameras in counters and inside the licensed premises as prescribed, with linkage facility to central control room of Prohibition & Excise Department.
28. The licensee shall maintain hygienic conditions and orderly parking of vehicles in front of or near the A4 liquor shop and permit room.
29. The provisions contained in Telangana Excise (Grant of license of selling by shop and conditions of license) Rules 2012, as amended from time to time shall govern the process of allotment and consequent operation of A4 liquor shops by the licensees.

Efforts to Contain ill Effects of Drinking

30. Intensive campaign shall be taken up to educate public about the ill effects of drinking.
31. Steps shall be taken to initiate the establishment of de-addiction centers in consultation with Medical Health and Family Welfare Department.

Provision for Undisposed Shops

32. In case any A4 liquor shop remains undisposed after the completion of the allotment process, Commissioner / Director, Prohibition and Excise is empowered to permit Prohibition and Excise Department/Telangana State Beverages Corporation Limited to establish outlets or to re-notify such A4 liquor shop.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

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& SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)**

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