

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
ABSTRACT**

The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 – The Telangana Epidemic Diseases (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020- Guidelines to Shops and Establishments for following Social Distancing Norms – Issued.

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**HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (D ) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.Ms.No. 14**

**Dated: 23-03-2020**

**Read the following:-**

- 1) The Epidemic Diseases Act 189, Act No.3,of 1897.
- 2) G.O. Ms. No.13, H.M. & F.W.(D) Department, Dated:21-3-2020.

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**ORDER:**

In continuation of regulations issued in the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above and in exercise of powers conferred on the State Government under Sections 2,3, and 4 of Epidemic Diseases Act 1897, the following regulations are made to ensure social distancing to restrict the spread of COVID – 19.

- i. All shops, establishments, etc. shall paint footmarks on the floor at distances of 4 feet to indicate locations where customers shall be required to queue up at the counter.
  - ii. The above mentioned marks can be made inside the premises of the shop or even outside the shop on footpaths, etc. in case of constraint of space.
  - iii. The proprietor/management of the establishment shall be responsible for seeing that people who queue up at the counters stand on these marks thereby ensuring the practice of social distancing.
  - iv. The proprietor/management of the establishment shall ensure that people do not gather in groups inside the premises.
  - v. Shops, establishments etc. shall provide hand wash facilities and/or sanitizers for use by visitors.
2. Violation of the above social distancing norms shall be punishable under Sections 188,269 and 270 of IPC.

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

**A. SANTHI KUMARI  
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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The Commissioner of Health & Family Welfare, Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner of Labour, Hyderabad  
The Director General of Police, Hyderabad  
The Director of Municipal Administration, Hyderabad  
The Director of Ayush, Hyderabad.  
The Director of Medical Education, Hyderabad  
The Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, Hyderabad  
The Commissioner of TVVP, Hyderabad.  
All the District Collectors in the State.  
The Commissioners of Police in the State.  
All Superintendents of Police in the State.  
All the Departments in the Secretariat.  
All HODs in the State.

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