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Government of Kerala Health and Family Welfare (F) Department

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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 4 of the Kerala Communicable Diseases Act, 2021 (Act 4 of 2021), the Government of Kerala hereby makes the following Regulations, namely:-

## Regulations

- 1. Abbreviation and initials (1) These Regulations may be called the Kerala Epidemic Disease Corona Virus Disease (Covid-19) Regulations, 2023.
- (2) It shall come into force immediately and shall remain in force for a period of one month unless otherwise notified.
- 2. Regulations. In order to control and prevent the spread of Covid-19 in the state, all persons ie:-



### establishments and the following regulations shall be followed

- (a) Mask (Wearing of face covering. In all public places, places of work, any place open to the public, social gatherings, in all types of vehicles and during transportation, all persons shall cover their mouth and nose with a mask;
- (b) Use of sanitizer/soap. All establishments, shops, theater owners, operators and organizers of events and functions shall provide sanitiser, soap and water to customers/participants; For cleaning
- (c) Social distancing. All people should observe social distancing in public places and events.

By order of the Governor, Tinku Biswal, Principal Secretary.

#### Explanation

(This does not form part of the notification but is intended to clarify its general purpose.) Section 4 of the Kerala Communicable Diseases Act, 2021 (Act 4 of 2021) empowers the Government to promulgate special temporary measures to be followed by the public or any person or persons to prevent the outbreak or spread of infectious diseases. Still, with Covid-19 continuing to pose a threat to public health in the state, the government has decided to issue some restrictions for the same. This notification is intended to fulfill the above objective.

