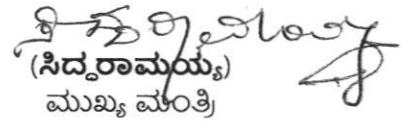


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गृह सचिव
Home Secretary
भारत सरकार
Government of India
नॉर्थ ब्लॉक/North Block
नई दिल्ली/New Delhi
20th July, 2022

D.O. No. 2/01/2020-Public (Part-III)

Dear Chief Secretary,

- 2 AUG 2022

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As you are aware, 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav' (AKAM) is being celebrated to commemorate the 75 glorious years of a progressive Independent India. Under the aegis of AKAM, a campaign 'Har Ghar Tiranga' has been launched to encourage the citizens to hoist the National Flag of India in their homes. The display/hoisting/use of the Indian National Flag is governed by the Flag Code of India, 2002 and the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971.

2. The Flag Code of India, 2002 was amended vide Order dated 30th December, 2021 and paragraph 1.2 of Part-I of the Flag Code of India, 2002 shall now be read as under:-

1.2. "The National Flag shall be made of hand spun and hand woven or machine made, cotton/polyester/wool/silk/khadi bunting."

3. The Flag Code of India, 2002 has been further amended vide Order dated 20th July, 2022 and clause (xi) of paragraph 2.2 of Part-II of the Flag Code of India shall now be read as under:-

(xi) "where the Flag is displayed in open or displayed on the house of a member of public, it may be flown day and night;"

4. I am enclosing the salient features of the Flag Code of India, 2002 including changes made therein on 30th December, 2021 & 20th July, 2022. FAQs about the use/display of the Indian National Flag are also enclosed. You are requested to ensure that wide publicity is made in print and electronic media to generate awareness about the Flag Code of India and the 'Har Ghar Tiranga' campaign.

With regards,

Encl.: as above

जावक/आवक क्र. 5530.
सचिव/सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग
दिनांक 03.08.2022

Yours sincerely,

(Ajay Bhalla)

Chief Secretaries of all States

(as per list enclosed)

04/08/22

अति महत्वपूर्ण/ई-मेल/वेबसाईट

छत्तीसगढ़ शासन
सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग
::मंत्रालय::

महानदी भवन, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर-492002

क्रमांक एफ 10-1/2002/1/5
प्रति,

नवा रायपुर अटल नगर दिनांक 08 अगस्त, 2022

शासन के समस्त विभाग,
अध्यक्ष, राजस्व मंडल, छ0ग0 बिलासपुर,
समस्त विभागाध्यक्ष,
समस्त संभागायुक्त,
समस्त कलेक्टर एवं जिला दंडाधिकारी,
छत्तीसगढ़ ।


विषय:- भारतीय झंडा संहिता, 2002 के संबंध में दिशा-निर्देश।

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उपरोक्त विषयक गृह सचिव, भारत सरकार, गृह मंत्रालय, पब्लिक अनुभाग, नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली-01 से प्राप्त पत्र अर्द्ध शा. पत्र क्र. 2/01/2020-पब्लिक (Part III), दिनांक 21, जुलाई, 2022 की संलग्न छायाप्रति का अवलोकन करें। भारतीय झंडा संहिता, 2002 में 30 दिसंबर, 2021 और 20 जुलाई, 2022 को किए गए परिवर्तन को शामिल कर उनके मुख्य विशेषताओं तथा भारतीय राष्ट्रीय ध्वज के उपयोग/प्रदर्शन के बारे में अक्सर पूछे जाने वाले प्रश्न भी संलग्न कर प्रेषित किए गए हैं।

सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित है।

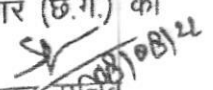
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संयुक्त सचिव
छत्तीसगढ़ शासन,
सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग

पृ. क्रमांक एफ 10-1/2002/1/5 नवा रायपुर अटल नगर दिनांक 08 अगस्त, 2022
प्रतिलिपि:-

1. श्री अजय भल्ला, भा.प्र.से., गृह सचिव, भारत सरकार, गृह मंत्रालय, पब्लिक अनुभाग, नॉर्थ ब्लॉक, नई दिल्ली-1 को उनके अर्द्ध शास. प्राप्त पत्र संख्या 2/01/2022-पब्लिक (Part III) दिनांक 21.07.2022 के संदर्भ में सूचनार्थ अग्रेषित ।
2. विशेष कर्तव्यस्थ अधिकारी, मुख्य सचिव कार्यालय, मंत्रालय, नवा रायपुर अटल नगर (छ.ग.) की ओर सूचनार्थ ।


संयुक्त सचिव
छत्तीसगढ़ शासन,
सामान्य प्रशासन विभाग

1. The Indian National Flag represents the hopes and aspirations of the people of India. It is the symbol of our national pride and there is universal affection and respect for, and loyalty to, the National Flag. It occupies a unique and special place in the emotions and psyche of the people of India.
2. The hoisting/use/display of the Indian National Flag is governed by the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and the Flag Code of India, 2002. Some of salient features of the Flag Code of India, 2002 are listed below for the information of the public:-
 - a) The Flag Code of India, 2002 was amended vide Order dated 30st December, 2021 and National Flag made of polyester or machine made Flag have been allowed. Now, the National Flag shall be made of hand spun and hand woven or **machine made**, cotton/polyester/wool/silk khadi bunting.
 - b) A member of public, a private organization or an educational institution may hoist/display the National Flag on all days and occasions, ceremonial or otherwise, consistent with the dignity and honour of the National Flag.
 - c) The Flag Code of India, 2002 was amended vide Order dated 19th July, 2022 and clause (xi) of paragraph 2.2 of Part-II of the Flag Code of India was replaced by the following clause:-
 - (xi) **“where the Flag is displayed in open or displayed on the house of a member of public, it may be flown day and night;”**
 - d) The National Flag shall be rectangular in shape. The Flag can be of any size but the ratio of the length to the height (width) of the Flag shall be 3:2.
 - e) Whenever the National Flag is displayed, it should occupy the position of honour and should be distinctly placed.
 - f) A damaged or dishevelled Flag shall not be displayed.

- g) The Flag should not be flown from a single masthead simultaneously with any other flag or flags.
- h) The Flag should not be flown on any vehicle except of the dignitaries mentioned in Section IX of Part III of the Flag Code, such as President, Vice-President, Prime-Minister, Governors etc.
- i) No other flag or bunting should be placed higher than or above or side by side with the National Flag.

Note:- For further details, the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971 and the Flag Code of India, 2002 are available on Ministry of Home Affairs' website www.mha.gov.in.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) about the Indian National Flag

Q1. Is the use, display and hoisting of the National Flag guided by any overarching set of instructions?

Yes– the 'Flag Code of India 2002' and the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971.

Q2. What is the Flag Code of India?

The Flag Code of India brings together all laws, conventions, practices, and instructions for the display of the National Flag. It governs the display of the National Flag by Private, Public, and Government Institutions. The Flag Code of India took effect on 26th January, 2002.

Q3. Which material can be used to produce the National Flag?

The Flag Code of India, 2002 was amended vide Order dated 30th December, 2021 and National Flag made of polyester or machine made Flag have been allowed. Now, the National Flag shall be made of handspun and handwoven or machine-made, cotton/polyester/wool/silk/khadi bunting.

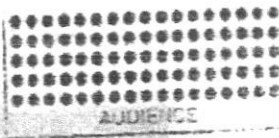
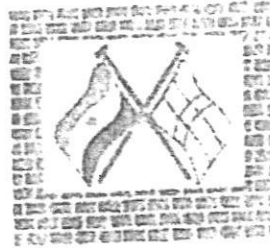
Q4. What is the appropriate size and ratio of the National Flag?

As per paragraph 1.3 & 1.4 of the Flag Code of India, the National Flag shall be rectangular in shape. The Flag can be of any size but the ratio of the length to the height (width) of the National Flag shall be 3:2.

Q5. Can I display the National Flag at my home?

As per paragraph 2.2 of the Flag Code of India, a member of the public, a private organization, or an educational institution may hoist/display the National Flag on all days or occasions in accordance with the dignity and honour of the National Flag.

- When the National Flag is flown with flags of other nations, the flag masts shall be of equal size.



Q14. How should the National Flag be disposed?

- As per paragraph 2.2 of the Flag Code of India, if the National Flag is damaged, it shall be destroyed as a whole in private, preferably by burning or any other method considering the dignity of the National Flag.
- The National Flag, if made of paper, is waved by the general public, these flags should not be discarded on the ground. These should be discarded in private, keeping in mind the dignity of the National Flag.

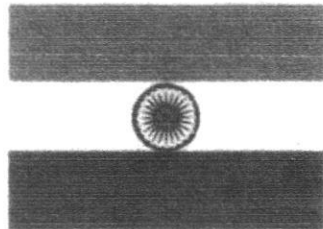
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Flag Code of India

2002



Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
New Delhi

FLAG CODE OF INDIA

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.

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 organisations/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 organisations 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

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 mm
1	6300 X 4200
2	3600 X 2400
3	2700 X 1800
4	1800 X 1200
5	1350 X 900
6	900 X 600
7	450 X 300
8	225 X 150
9	150 X 100

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

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

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 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.

- (iii) the Flag shall not be flown at half-mast except on occasions on which the Flag is flown at half-mast on public buildings in accordance with the instructions issued by the Government;
- (iv) the Flag shall not be used as a drapery in any form whatsoever, including private funerals;
- (v) the Flag shall not be used as a portion of costume or uniform of any description nor shall it be embroidered or printed upon cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins or any dress material;
- (vi) lettering of any kind shall not be put upon the Flag;
- (vii) the Flag shall not be used as a receptacle for receiving, delivering, holding or carrying anything;
provided that there shall be no objection to keeping flower petals inside the Flag before it is unfurled as part of celebrations on special occasions and on National Days like the Republic Day and the Independence Day;
- (viii) when used on occasions like unveiling of a statue, the Flag shall be displayed distinctly and separately and it shall not be used as a covering for the statue or monument;
- (ix) the Flag shall not be used to cover a speaker's desk nor shall it be draped over a speaker's platform;
- (x) the Flag shall not be intentionally allowed to touch the ground or the floor or trail in water.
- (xi) the Flag shall not be draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle, train, boat or an aircraft;
- (xii) the Flag shall not be used as a covering for a building; and
- (xiii) the Flag shall not be intentionally displayed with the "saffron" down.

2.2 A member of public, a private organization or an educational institution may hoist/display the National Flag on all days and occasions, ceremonial or otherwise. Consistent with the dignity and honour of the National Flag -

- (i) whenever the National Flag is displayed, it should occupy the position of honour and should be distinctly placed;
- (ii) a damaged or dishevelled Flag should not be displayed;
- (iii) the Flag should not be flown from a single masthead simultaneously with any other flag or flags;
- (iv) the Flag should not be flown on any vehicle except in accordance with the provisions contained in Section IX of Part III of this Code;
- (v) when the Flag is displayed on a speaker's platform, it should be flown on the speaker's right as he faces the audience or flat against the wall, above and behind the speaker;
- (vi) when the Flag is displayed flat and horizontal on a wall, the saffron band should be upper most and when displayed vertically, the saffron band shall be on the right with reference to the Flag (i.e. left to the person facing the Flag);
- (vii) to the extent possible, the Flag should conform to the specifications prescribed in Part I of this Code.
- (viii) no other flag or bunting should be placed higher than or above or side by side with the National Flag; nor should any object including flowers or garlands or emblem be placed on or above the Flag-mast from which the Flag is flown;
- (ix) the Flag should not be used as a festoon, rosette or bunting or in any other manner for decoration;
- (x) the Flag made of paper may be waved by public on occasions of important national, cultural and sports

events. However, such paper Flags should not be discarded or thrown on the ground after the event. As far as possible, it should be disposed of in private consistent with the dignity of the Flag;

- (xi) where the Flag is displayed in open, it should, as far as possible, be flown from sunrise to sunset, irrespective of weather conditions;
- (xii) the Flag should not be displayed or fastened in any manner as may damage it; and
- (xiii) when the Flag is in a damaged or soiled condition, it shall be destroyed as a whole in private, preferably by burning or by any other method consistent with the dignity of the Flag.

SECTION II

2.3 The National Flag may be hoisted in educational institutions (schools, colleges, sports camps, scout camps, etc.) to inspire respect for the Flag. A model set of instructions for guidance is given below -

- (i) The School will assemble in open square formation with pupils forming the three sides and the Flag-staff at the centre of the fourth side. The Headmaster, the pupil leader and the person unfurling the Flag (if other than the Headmaster) will stand three paces behind the Flag-staff.
- (ii) The pupils will fall according to classes and in squads of ten (or other number according to strength). These squads will be arranged one behind the other. The pupil leader of the class will stand to the right of the first row of his class and the form master will stand three paces behind the last row of his class, towards the middle. The classes

will be arranged along the square in the order of seniority with the seniormost class at the right end.

- (iii) The distance between each row should be at least one pace (30 inches); and the space between Form and Form should be the same.
- (iv) When each Form or Class is ready, the Class leader will step forward and salute the selected school pupil leader. As soon as all the Forms are ready, the school pupil leader will step up to the Headmaster and salute him. The Headmaster will return the salute. Then, the Flag will be unfurled. The School pupil leader may assist.
- (v) The School pupil leader in charge of the parade (or assembly) will call the parade to attention, just before the unfurling, and he will call them to the salute when the Flag flies out. The parade will keep at the salute for a brief interval, and then on the command "order", the parade will come to the attention position.
- (vi) The Flag Salutation will be followed by the National Anthem. The parade will be kept at the attention during this part of the function
- (vii) On all occasions when the pledge is taken, the pledge will follow the National Anthem. When taking the pledge the Assembly will stand to attention and the Headmaster will administer the pledge ceremoniously and the Assembly will repeat it after him.
- (viii) In pledging allegiance to the National Flag, the practice to be adopted in Schools is as follows:-

Standing with folded hands, all repeat together the following pledge:

"I pledge allegiance to the National Flag and to the Sovereign Socialist Secular Democratic Republic for which it stands."

PART. III

HOISTING/DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL FLAG BY THE CENTRAL AND STATE GOVERNMENTS AND THEIR ORGANISATIONS AND AGENCIES.

SECTION I

DEFENCE INSTALLATIONS/HEADS OF MISSIONS/POSTS

3.1 The provisions of this Part shall not apply to Defence Installations that have their own rule for display of the National Flag.

3.2 The National Flag may also be flown on the Headquarters and the residences of the Heads of Missions/Posts abroad in the countries where it is customary for diplomatic and consular representatives to fly their National Flags on the Headquarters and their official residences.

SECTION II

OFFICIAL DISPLAY

3.3 Subject to the provisions contained in Section I above, it shall be mandatory for all Governments and their organisations/agencies to follow the provisions contained in this Part.

3.4 On all occasions for official display, only the Flag conforming to specifications laid down by the Bureau of Indian Standards and bearing their standard mark shall be used. On other occasions also, it is desirable that only such Flags of appropriate size are flown.

SECTION III

CORRECT DISPLAY

3.5 Wherever the Flag is flown, it should occupy the position of honour and be distinctly placed.

3.6 Where the practice is to fly the Flag on any public building, it shall be flown on that building on all days including Sundays and holidays and, except as provided in this Code, it shall be flown from sun-rise to sun-set irrespective of weather conditions. The Flag may be flown on such a building at night also but this should be only on very special occasions.

3.7 The Flag shall always be hoisted briskly and lowered slowly and ceremoniously. When the hoisting and the lowering of the Flag is accompanied by appropriate bugle calls, the hoisting and lowering should be simultaneous with the bugle calls.

3.8 When the Flag is displayed from a staff projecting horizontally or at an angle from a windowsill, balcony, or front of a building, the saffron band shall be at the farther end of the staff.

3.9 When the Flag is displayed flat and horizontal on a wall, the saffron band shall be upper most and when displayed vertically, the saffron band shall be to the right with reference to the Flag, i.e., it may be to the left of a person facing it.

3.10 When the Flag is displayed on a speaker's platform, it shall be flown on a staff on the speaker's right as he faces the audience or flat against the wall above and behind the speaker.

3.11 When used on occasions like the unveiling of a statue, the Flag shall be displayed distinctly and separately.

3.12 When the Flag is displayed alone on a motor car, it shall be flown from a staff, which should be affixed firmly either on the middle front of the bonnet or to the front right side of the car.

- 3.13 When the Flag is carried in a procession or a parade, it shall be either on the marching right, i.e. the Flag's own right, or if there is a line of other flags, in front of the centre of the line.

SECTION IV

INCORRECT DISPLAY

- 3.14 A damaged or disheveled Flag shall not be displayed.
- 3.15 The Flag shall not be dipped in salute to any person or thing.
- 3.16 No other flag or bunting shall be placed higher than or above or, except as hereinafter provided, side by side with the National Flag, nor shall any object including flowers or garlands or emblem be placed on or above the Flag-mast from which the Flag is flown.
- 3.17 The Flag shall not be used as a festoon, rosette or bunting or in any other manner for decoration.
- 3.18 The Flag shall not be used to cover a speaker's desk nor shall it be draped over a speaker's platform.
- 3.19 The Flag shall not be displayed with the "saffron" down.
- 3.20 The Flag shall not be allowed to touch the ground or the floor or trail in water.
- 3.21 The Flag shall not be displayed or fastened in any manner as may damage it.

SECTION V

MISUSE

- 3.22 The Flag shall not be used as a drapery in any form whatsoever except in State/Military/Central Para military Forces funerals hereinafter provided.
- 3.23 The Flag shall not be draped over the hood, top, sides or back of a vehicle, train or boat.
- 3.24 The Flag shall not be used or stored in such a manner as may damage or soil it.
- 3.25 When the Flag is in a damaged or soiled condition, it shall not be cast aside or disrespectfully disposed of but shall be destroyed as a whole in private, preferably by burning or by any other method consistent with the dignity of the Flag.
- 3.26 The Flag shall not be used as a covering for a building.
- 2.27 The Flag shall not be used as a portion of a costume or uniform of any description. It shall not be embroidered or printed upon cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins or boxes.
- 3.28 Lettering of any kind shall not be put upon the Flag.
- 3.29 The Flag shall not be used in any form of advertisement nor shall an advertising sign be fastened to the pole from which the Flag is flown.
- 3.30 The Flag shall not be used as a receptacle for receiving, delivering, holding or carrying anything.

Provided that there shall be no objection to keeping flower petals inside the Flag before it is unfurled, as part of celebrations on special occasions and on National Days like the Republic Day and the Independence Day.

SECTION VI

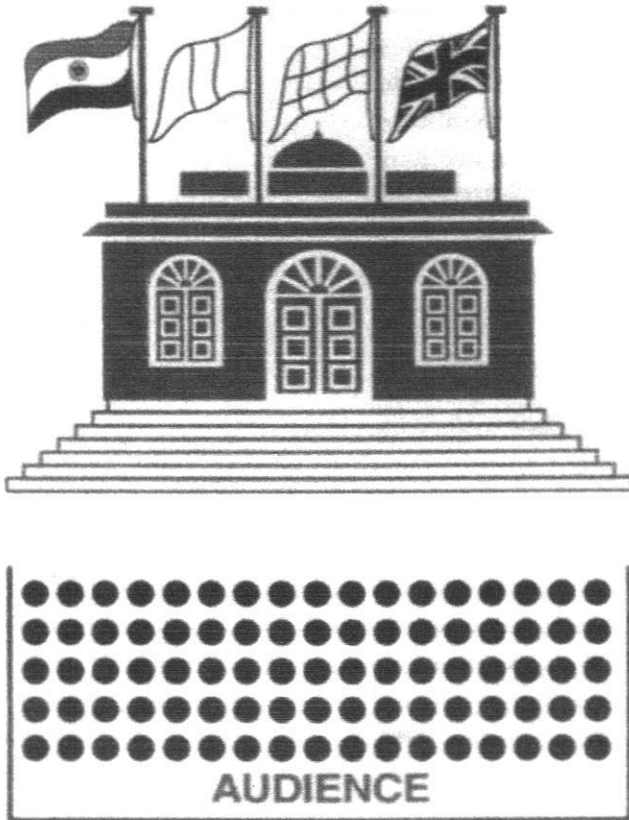
SALUTE

- 3.31 During the ceremony of hoisting or lowering the Flag or when the Flag is passing in a parade or in a review, all persons present should face the Flag and stand at attention. Those present in uniform should render the appropriate salute. When the Flag is in a moving column, persons present will stand at attention or salute as the Flag passes them. A dignitary may take the salute without a head dress.

SECTION VII

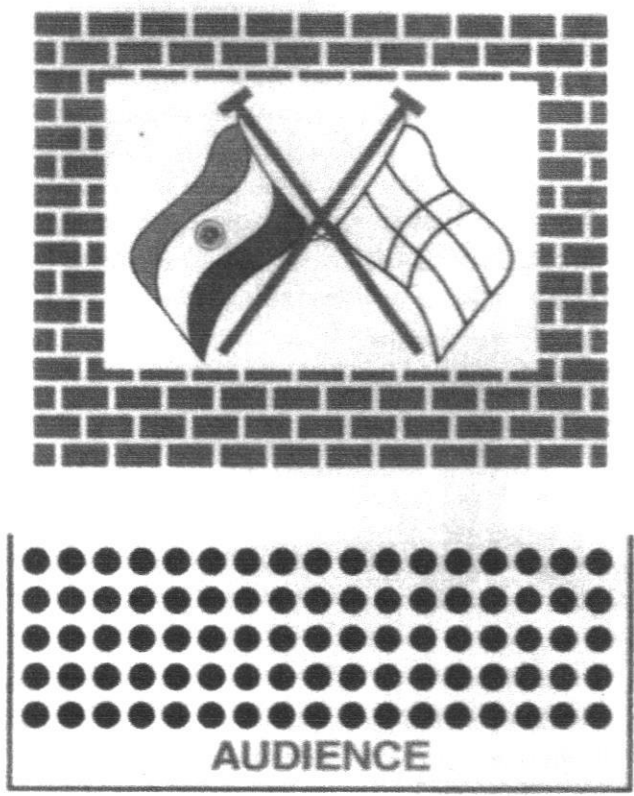
DISPLAY WITH FLAGS OF OTHER NATIONS AND OF UNITED NATIONS

3.32 When displayed in a straight line with flags of other countries, the National Flag shall be on the extreme right; i.e. if an observer were to stand in the center of the row of the flags facing the audience, the National Flag should be to his extreme right. The position is illustrated in the diagram below:-



- 3.33 Flags of foreign countries shall proceed as from the National Flag in alphabetical order on the basis of English versions of the names of the countries concerned. It would be permissible in such a case to begin and also to end the row of flags with the National Flag and also to include National Flag in the normal countrywise alphabetical order. The National Flag shall be hoisted first and lowered last.
- 3.34 In case flags are to be flown in an open circle i.e., in an arc or a semi-circle, the same procedure shall be adopted as is indicated in the preceding clause of this Section. In case flags are to be flown in a closed, i.e., complete circle, the National Flag shall mark the beginning of the circle and the flags of other countries should proceed in a clockwise manner until the last flag is placed next to the National Flag. It is not necessary to use separate National Flags to mark the beginning and the end of the circle of flags. The National Flag shall also be included in its alphabetical order in such a closed circle.

3.35 When the National Flag is displayed against a wall with another flag from crossed staffs, the National Flag shall be on the right i.e. the Flag's own right, and its staff shall be in front of the staff of the other flag. The position is illustrated in the diagram below:-



gate of the building on return to the Headquarters. When the dignitary is on a visit to a place outside the Headquarters, the Flag should be hoisted on the building in which he stays as he enters the main gate of that building and it should be brought down as soon as he leaves that place. However, the Flag should be flown from sun-rise to sun-set on such official residences, irrespective of whether the dignitary is at Headquarters or not on the - Republic Day, Independence Day, Mahatama Gandhi's Birthday, National Week (6th to 13th April, in the memory of martyrs of Jalianwala Bagh), any other particular day of national rejoicing as may be specified by the Government of India or, in the case of a State, on the anniversary of formation of that State.

- 3.42 When the President, the Vice-President or the Prime Minister visits an institution, the National Flag may be flown by the institution as a mark of respect.
- 3.43 On the occasions of the visit to India by foreign dignitaries, namely, President, Vice-President, Emperor / King or Heir Prince and the Prime Minister, the National Flag may be flown along with the Flag of the foreign country concerned in accordance with the rules contained in Section VII by such private institutions as are according reception to the visiting foreign dignitaries and on such public buildings as the foreign dignitaries intend to visit on the day of visit to the institution.

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North Block, New Delhi - 01
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To

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

Subject: Strict compliance of the provisions of Flag Code of India, 2002 and the Prevention of Insults to National Honour Act, 1971- Advisory.

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

Yours faithfully

Encl: As above.


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