

**CENTRAL ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL
ERNAKULAM BENCH**

Indira Nagar,
Sastha Temple Road,
Kaloor, Kochi-17

No.VI/11/2010-Judl.

Dated : 18.09.2020

NOTICE

The President and Secretary of Service Bar Association have requested this Tribunal to start physical Court Sitting at least for a limited number of cases. The request has been considered and proposed to start physical court sitting on a trial basis once in a week. The proposal was submitted before the Hon'ble Chairman for approval and the Honble Chairman ordered that "if the situation permits physical court can be conducted, as proposed. The matter can be reviewed after one or two sittings".

Therefore it is hereby informed that as an initial endeavour to start regular sitting, this Tribunal will be sitting physically on every Wednesday from 23rd September, 2020. The guidelines for physical court sitting is attached herewith.

(By Order)

P.K. Mishra
21.9.2020

(P. K. Mishra)
Deputy Registrar

GUIDELINES FOR THE COMMENCEMENT OF PHYSICAL COURT SITTING

1. The counsel having their cases in the daily Cause List alone are permitted to enter the court hall.
2. Only 8 seats will be provided inside the Court hall and the rest of the seats will be arranged outside the Court hall ensuring social distancing.
3. Only 5 Advocates will be allowed at a time inside the Court hall including the Central Government counsel and Government Pleader.
4. Persons having the symptoms as identified by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (cold, fever, cough, headache or any other infection) shall not enter the court hall.
5. Counsel of both parties are requested to enter the court hall only when their cases are taken up for hearing.
6. Counsel having the age above 65 and having health problems are requested to refrain from attending the physical court.
7. All persons entering the Court building shall compulsorily wear face mask.
8. Hand wash facility will be provided at the entrance of the Building.
9. Apart from providing sanitizer at the point of entry of the building, sanitizer will be provided at the entrance of Court hall also.
10. Only after sanitizing the hands, Advocates, and staff shall enter into the Court hall.
11. No work relating to preparation of the case files including affixture of stamps, defect curing etc. shall be permitted in the Section or Court Hall.
12. Advocates' Clerks shall not remain in premises unnecessarily and shall leave the premises immediately after their work is over.
13. Counsel shall not hand over documents or papers directly to the Court Officer/Court Master.