

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (PROTOCOL.B) DEPARTMENT

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Sub: OBSERVANCE OF SILENCE on 30th January, 2018 in memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle for India's Freedom – Reg.

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It is to inform that the 30th January, every year, two minutes silence is observed at 11.00 A.M. throughout the country, in the memory of those who gave their lives in the struggle of India's freedom. The following Standing instructions have been laid down for observance of the day:

1. Silence should be observed and work and movement stopped for two minutes through the country at 11.00 A.M. on 30th January, every year.
2. Wherever available, the commencement and termination of the two minutes' silence period should be indicated by sound of siren or Army guns. Sirens should be sounded from 10.59 hrs till 11.00 hrs and after two minutes, all clear sirens should again be sounded from 11.02 hours till 11.03 hours. This procedure may be adopted where sirens exist.
3. On hearing the signal (wherever available), all persons would stand up and observe the silence. It would be more effective if people could gather at one place for observing the silence instead of each person standing in his room or at any other place. However, effort need not be made to assemble at one place if it involves serious dislocation of work.
4. At places where no signal system is available, suitable instructions can be passed on to all concerned for observing the silence for two minutes at 11.00 A.M.

2. It is further informed that in the past, it has been observed that while two minutes' silence is observed in some offices, the general public goes about its occupation in the ordinary course, unmindful of the solemnity of the occasion. The Departments/Organisations noted in the address entry are requested to take necessary steps to ensure that the Martyrs' Day is observed with due solemnity and with better public participation. For this, they are requested to ensure the following:

- (i) Instructions be issued to all educational institutions in the State and Public Sector Enterprises under their control for observance of the Martyrs' Day with full solemnity and in a befitting manner. Speeches and talks connected with the significance of the day, particularly mentioning the role of freedom fighters in the freedom of India may be made. The themes of talks and speeches could also deal with the duty and the moral obligation of every citizen to preserve, protect and enrich the hard-earned freedom and to promote a sense of national integration and commitment to common goals and ideals.
- (ii) Field publicity units of the Departments are requested to hold programmes and/or films/documentaries with the basic themes of Indian Freedom Movement, the role of the martyrs in the Freedom Struggle and national integration.
- (iii) Various chambers of Commerce and Industry in the State may also be requested to ensure proper observance of the Martyrs' Day by their members and affiliated associations and organisations.

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3. In the Secretariat premises at Velagapudi, the General Administration (OM) Department shall make necessary arrangements for observance of two minutes' silence at 11.00 a.m. on 30th January, 2018 and all the Departments of Secretariat to ensure that the staff of their departments to assemble and observe silence at the place indicated by the General Administration (OM) Department.

4. The Commissioner, I & PR Department is requested to make necessary public address system in consultation with the General Administration (OM) Department.

SRIKANT NAGULAPALLI,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (POLL)

To

All the Departments of Secretariat.

All Heads of Departments in the State.

All the Collectors and District Magistrates in the State.

All the Commissioners of Police/Superintendents of Police in the State.

The Director General of Police, Andhra Pradesh.

The Additional Director General of Police, Intelligence, Andhra Pradesh.

The Inspector General of Police, Security, Andhra Pradesh.

The Director, Police Transport Organization, with a request to take necessary action for arranging Siren wherever necessary and also at Secretariat premises, Velagapudi on 30.01.2018.

The General Administration (OM) Department, AP Secretariat.

Copy to:

The P.S. to Special Chief Secretary to Chief Minister.

The P.S. to Chief Secretary to Government.

The P.S. to Secretary to Government (Poll), G.A.D.

The Deputy Secretary to Govt of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, Grih Mantriyaya, North Block, New Delhi.

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