The Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels & Capsules) Rules, 1996

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PART I—Orders and Notifications by the Government of Tripura, the High Court, Government Treasury etc.

Government of Tripura
Revenue Department

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 36 and Clause (XXIX) of sub-section (2) of Section 38 of the Tripura Excise Act, 1987 (Tripura Act, No. 12 of 1987) the State Government hereby makes the following Rules, namely:—

1. Short Title and commencement—

   (1) These Rules may be called “The Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996.”

   (2) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. (1) No brandy, whisky, rum, vodka, gin or beer shall be sold or offered for sale in bottles in Tripura unless and until the brand name under which and the label with which it is to be sold have been registered with the Excise Commissioner, Tripura and a permit has been granted by him, authorising sale under such brand name and with such label. The price of the brand shall be inserted on the labels.

   (2) No liquor mentioned in sub-rule (1) shall be sold or offered for sale in bottles in Tripura unless and until the bottles have been properly capsuled and the capsules, bear inscriptions showing either the name of distiller, compounder, blender, bottler or brewer of the liquor, as the case may be, or the brand name or both and no other inscription.

3. Registration shall be for a period not exceeding one year from the 1st April to the 31st March following. A fee of Rs. 10,000/— (ten thousand) shall be charged for grant of permit on the first registration and fee of Rs. 5000/— (five thousand) shall be charged for grant of permit on each renewal of registration.
Provided that when the brand name of any of the liquors mentioned in sub-rule (1) of rule 2 which has been brought into India from Bhutan or any foreign country has been registered in the Country of its origin and its registration has been proved to the satisfaction of the Excise Commissioner, registration may be allowed for five years at a time in Tripura at the time of the first registration and a permit may be granted for that period on payment of a fee of Rs. 30,000/- (thirty thousand).

1. (1) Application for registration of a new brand name for a liquor mentioned in sub-rule (1) of rule 2 and the label corresponding to it shall be made on behalf of the Distilleries/Manufacturers in case of India Made Foreign Liquor and Beer and the Distributors in the case of Foreign Liquor to the Excise Commissioner through the concerned Collector of Excise at least two months prior to its sale or offer for sale.

(2) Application for renewal of registration of existing brands and labels shall be made to the Excise Commissioner through the concerned Collector of Excise within the last day of the month of February each year.

2. All the applications submitted under sub-rule (1) shall contain the following particulars, namely:

(a) The brand name under which, the alcoholic strength at which, and the measure in litres and/or millilitres in which and the retail price at which liquor is proposed to be sold;

(b) The country of origin of the liquor; and

(c) The name and address of the distiller, compounding blender or brewer, as the case may be, and, in respect of foreign liquor bottled in India, the name and address of the bottler; and

3. They shall be accompanied by two copies of the label corresponding to the brand and containing inscriptions showing the particulars mentioned above. Both copies of the label shall be authenticated by the applicant with his dated signature in full.

5. (1) A correct and up to date record of all brands and labels which are registered or whose registration is renewed from time to time shall be maintained by the Excise Commissioner and supplied to the Collectors of Excise.

(2) A list of brands which are registered by the Excise Commissioner up to 28th February of every year shall be published by him within the 31st March following and offered for sale in Tripura.
6. (1) The Excise Commissioner may refuse registration if he is not satisfied:

(a) in the case of any foreign liquor brought in bottles into India from Bhutan or any foreign country, that the distiller, blender or brewer whose name is stated in the application, holds a valid license or permit or certificate of registration from the Government of the country of origin of the said liquor to distil, compound or blend spirits or brew beer;

(b) in the case of foreign liquor brought into India from Bhutan or any foreign country manufactured in India that the brand name under which or the label with which it is proposed to be sold is distinguishable from other brand names or labels which have already been registered or whose registration has already been applied for; and

(c) in the case of foreign liquor bottled in India, that the bottler whose name is stated in the application holds a valid license from the Government of any State or Union territory in India to distil, compound, blend or bottle spirits or brew beer.

(2) The Excise Commissioner may refuse registration of any label if he is satisfied that the label is such that it is likely to tend or has the potential for inducing children, adolescents or women to consume liquor of the contents or the label are of an absence nature or likely to lower the dignity or women;

Provided further that no application for registration of labels shall be rejected unless the applicant has been given a reasonable opportunity of being heard by the Excise Commissioner.

7. (1) The labels on the bottles of foreign liquor to be sold under a permit granted under sub-rule (1) of rule 2 shall conform to the labels registered by the Excise Commissioner, and shall contain the particulars mentioned in sub-rule (2) of rule 4 and such other particulars as may be required under any other rule for the time being in force:

Provided that the labels on the bottles of foreign liquor on which duty or fee has not been paid or is not liable to be paid to the credit of the Government of Tripura or on which duty or fee has been paid or is liable to be paid at a concessional rate shall contain such further particulars as the Excise Commissioner may prescribe from time to time, by an order in writing.
(2) Subject to the provisions of the foregoing rules the capsules and labels on the bottles of foreign liquor liable to be sold under a permit granted under sub-rule (1) of rule 2 shall contain no inscriptions or particulars which, in the opinion of the Collector of Excise concerned are inaccurate or inappropriate.

By order of the Governor

Anil Misra
Commissioner-cum-Secretary
to the Govt. of Tripura

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 36 and clause (XXIX) of Sub-Section (2) of Section 88 of the Tripura Excise Act, 1987 (Tripura Act. No. 12 of 1987) the State Government hereby makes the following Rules to amend the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules) Rules 1996 namely :

1. (1) These Rules may be called "The Tripura Excise and Commencement (Registration of Brand Names, Labels & Capsules) (First Amendment) Rules, 1997.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. In Sub-rule (1) of rule 2 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Rules) the last sentence "the price of the brand shall be inserted on the Labels" shall be omitted.

3. In Clause (a) of Sub-rule (2) of rule 4 of the Principal Rules the words "and the retail price at which" occurring at the end shall be omitted.

By order of the Governor,

Anil Misra
Commissioner-cum-Secretary,
Government of Tripura.
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Finance Department

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NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub section (1) of section 88 of the Tripura Excise Act, 1987 (Tripura Act No. 12 of 1987), the State Government hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996 and the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels & Capsules) (First Amendment) Rules, 1997 namely—

1. Short title and commencement—

   (1) These Rules may be called the Tripura Excise Registration of Brand names, Labels and Capsules (Second Amendment) Rules, 2002.

   (2) They shall come into force at once.

2. Amendment of rule 3 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996—

   Registration shall be for a period not exceeding one year from the 1st day of April to the 31st March following. A fee of
Rs. 20,000/- (twenty thousands) shall be charged for grant of permit on the first registration and a fee of Rs. 10,000/- (ten thousand) shall be charged for grant of Permit for renewal of registration of each volume of each brand name, label & capsule of such class of liquors as mentioned in Sub Rule (1) of Rule 2.

Provided that when any class of liquors mentioned in Sub Rule (1) of Rule 2 has been brought into India from Bhutan or any foreign country which has been registered in the country of its origin and registration has been proved to the satisfaction of the Excise Commissioner, registration may be allowed for two (2) years at a time in Tripura at the time of the first registration and a permit may be granted for that period on payment of a fee of Rs. 90,000/- (ninety thousands).

3. Amendment of rule 2 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels & Capsules) (First Amendment) Rules, 1997:

In Sub Rule (1) of Rule 2 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels & Capsules) (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Rules) another new sentence “The price of the brand shall be inserted on the labels” shall be included.

4. Amendment of rule 3 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand names, Labels & Capsules) (First Amendment) Rules, 1997:

In clause (a) of sub rule (2) of rule 4 of the Principal Rules, 1996, the new words “and the retail price at which” shall be included in between the words “in which” and “liquor”.

By order of the Governor,

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GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT
(EXCISE & TAXATION)

Dated, Agartala, the 06/11/2013.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub Section (1) of Section 88 of the
Tripura Excise Act, 1987 (Tripura Act No.12 of 1987), the Governor is pleased to
make the following rules, further to amend the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand
Names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996, namely:—

Short title and commencement:—

(i) These Rules may be called the
Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand
Names, Labels and Capsules) [Fourth
(ii) They shall come into force on the
date of their publication in the Official
Gazette.

2. Amendment of Rule 3:—

i) In Rule 3, before the proviso, for the figure and words “Rs 30,000/- (thirty
thousand)” as inserted by the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels
and Capsules) [Third Amendment] Rules, 2005, the figure and words “Rs 60,000/-
(sixty thousand)” shall be substituted and for the figure and words “Rs 20,000/-
twenty thousand)” as inserted by the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names,
Labels and Capsules) [Third Amendment] Rules, 2005, the figure and words “Rs
30,000/- (thirty thousand)” shall be substituted.
ii) In proviso, for the figure and words “Rs 90,000/- (ninety thousand)” as inserted by the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules) [Second Amendment] Rules, 2002, the figure and words “Rs. 60,000/- (sixty thousand) per brand per volume per year for registration and Rs. 30,000/- (thirty thousand) per brand per volume per year for renewal” shall be substituted.

By order of the Governor,

(Brijesh Pandey, IAS)
Additional Secretary to the Government of Tripura
In exercise of the powers conferred under sub-section (1) of the Section 88 of the Tripura Excise Act, 1987 (Tripura Act No.12 of 1987), the Governor hereby makes the following rules, further to amend the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996:

1. **Short title and commencement :-**
   (i) This Rules may be called the “Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules (Fifth Amendment) Rules, 2018”;
   (ii) They shall come into force on and from the date of their publication in the Tripura Gazette.

2. **Amendment of Rule 2 :-**
   In Rule 2 of the Tripura Excise (Registration of Brand Names, Labels and Capsules) Rules, 1996 (hereinafter referred to as the ‘Principal Rules’), clause (1) shall be substituted with the following —

   “(1). No brandy, whisky, rum, vodka, gin, wine, beer, country liquor or other categories of alcoholic liquor as may be time to time approved by the Excise Commissioner shall be sold or offered for sale in bottles in Tripura unless and until the brand name under which and the label with which it is to be sold have been registered with the Excise Commissioner, Tripura and a permit has been granted by him, authorizing sale under such brand name and with such label. The price of the brand shall be inserted on the labels.”

3. **Amendment of Rule 3 :-**
   In the ‘Principal Rules’, for the existing Rule 3, the following shall be substituted, namely—

   “3. Registration in fresh or renewal mode for the brand name of the category of liquor mentioned in sub-rule (1) of rule 2 shall be for a period not exceeding one year from the 1st April to the 31st March following. Fee for grant of permit on the registration in fresh or renewal mode in State of Tripura shall be prescribed by the Excise Commissioner from time to time with approval of the State Government.”
4. **Amendment of Rule 4 :-**

In the 'Principal Rules', Sub Rule (1) of Rule 4 shall be substituted with the following:

"4(1). Application for the registration of a new brand name for a liquor mentioned in sub-rule (1) of rule 2 and the label corresponding to it shall be made on behalf of the Company (brand owner) in case of India Made Foreign liquor, Beer and Country liquor and the Distributors in the case of Foreign Liquor directly to the Excise Commissioner at least two weeks prior to its sale or offer for sale.

Application for renewal of registration of existing brands and labels shall be made directly to the Excise Commissioner within the fifteenth day of the month of March each year.

For both purposes, the Excise Commissioner shall get the matter enquired into through any Excise Officer to determine the suitability of the application. On being satisfied, the Excise Commissioner shall fix registration/renewal fees whichever is applicable and realize the same from the concerned company for issuance of Notification."

By order of the Governor,

(Nagesh Kumar B, IAS)
Joint Secretary to the Government of Tripura