

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT (B)**

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong, the 24th August, 2009.

NO.GAB-175/86/550 : In exercise of power conferred by Section 10 of the Meghalaya Cinemas (Regulation) Act, 1953 (Assam Act XIV of 1953 as adapted by Meghalaya) the Government of Meghalaya is pleased to make the following rules further to amend the Meghalaya Cinemas (Regulation) Rules (Assam Rules of 1960 as adapted by Meghalaya) namely:-

1. **Short title and commencement.** - (1) These rules may be called the Meghalaya Cinemas (Regulation) (Amendment) Rules, 2009.
(2) They shall come into force from the date of notification in the Official Gazette.
2. **Amendment of rule 2** - In rule 2 of the Meghalaya Cinemas (Regulation) Rules (Assam rules of 1960 as adapted as Meghalaya) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Rules) after the existing clause (viii), the following new clauses (ix) and (x) shall be added, namely: -

“(ix) **“Permanent Mini Cinema”** means a Cinema Hall having not less than two hundred seats and not exceeding five hundred seats.

“(x) **“Permanent Multiplex”** means the Permanent Cinema Halls (theatre) complex with not less than two separate cinema screens in two different halls, co-existing concurrently existing with other activities like shopping mall, cafeteria, restaurant etc. in the same complex. The seating capacity for each screen/hall shall not be less than one hundred fifty and not exceeding five hundred seats for all halls taken together.”

3. **Amendment of rule 3** -- In rule 3 of the principal Rules: -
 - (a) for the word “four” appearing in the first line, the word “six” shall be substituted.
 - (b) the word “and” appearing at the end of clause (iii) shall be omitted.
 - (c) after the existing clause (iv), the following new clauses (v) and (vi) shall be inserted, namely:-

**“(v) Permanent Mini Cinema and
“(vi) Permanent Multiplex”**

4. **Amendment of rule 4.** - In rule 4 of the principal Rules -
 - (a) in sub rule (I) between the words “Permanent Cinema” and “house” appearing in the second line, the sign and words “/Permanent Mini Cinema/ Permanent Multiplex” shall be inserted.
 - (b) in clause (I), for the words “Cinema house” appearing in the fourth lines, the words “such Permanent Cinema/Permanent Mini Cinema/Permanent Multiplex house” shall be substituted.

(c) in sub rule (II) of rule 4 in para second, third and fourth, for the words "Cinema" the words "Permanent Cinema/Permanent Mini Cinema/Permanent Multiplex" shall be respectively substituted.

5. Amendment of rule 5 – In rule 5 of the principal Rules, in sub rule (II), between the words "Cinema" and "license" appearing in second line, the sign and words "/Permanent Mini Cinema/ Permanent Multiplex" shall be inserted.

6. Amendment of rule 6 – In rule 6 of the principal Rules, -

- (a) in sub-rule (1), between the words "Permanent Cinema" and "may" appearing in the first line, the sign and words "/Permanent Mini Cinema/ Permanent Multiplex" shall be inserted.
- (b) in sub-rule (2), between the words "Permanent Cinema" and "shall" appearing in first line, the sign and words "/Permanent Mini Cinema/ Permanent Multiplex" shall be inserted.
- (c) in sub-rule (3), for the words "three years" the words "one year" shall be substituted.
- (d) in sub-rule (4), for the letter and figure "Rs.100" appearing in the fourth line, the letter and words 'rupees five hundred' shall be substituted.

7. Amendment of rule 7. – Rule 7 of the principal rules, shall be substituted by the following rules as following new rules, namely, -

" 7. Fees for permanent cinema, permanent Mini cinema and permanent Multiplex License. – (1) License for permanent cinema, permanent Mini cinema and permanent Multiplex may be granted on payment of fees at the rates prescribed below: -

- (i) New License fee – Rs.2000.00 for permanent cinema,
- (ii) Rs.1000.00 for permanent Mini cinema, and
- (iii) Rs.3000.00 for permanent Multiplex.

"(2) Renewal of License fees shall in the same rates as in the case of new license fees as in sub-rule (1) above.

"(3) Issue of duplicate copy of license shall be at the rate of Rs.100 in each case.

8. Amendment of Rule 16 – In rule 16 of the principal Rules, -

- (i) in the first line, for the existing letters and figure "Rs.5/-" shall be substituted by the letter and figure "Rs.20/-" shall be substituted.
- (ii) in the last line of the proviso of the same rules, for the existing letter "Re/-" the letter and figure "Rs.5/-" shall be substituted.

9. Amendment of Rule 19. – In sub-rule (III) of rule 19 of the principal Rules for the existing letters and figures "Rs.50/-", "Rs.25/-", "Rs.20/-", and "Rs.2/-", the letters and figures "Rs.100/-", "Rs.50/-", "Rs.40/-", and "Rs.10/-", shall be respectively substituted.

10. Amendment of Rule 74.— In rule 74 of the principal Rules after the words “Permanent Cinema house” appearing in second line, the words and sign “Permanent Mini Cinema/Permanent Multiplex” shall be substituted.

11. Addition of new rule 75 & 76. – After rule 74 of the principal Rules the following new rules 75 and 76 shall be added, namely: -

“ **75. Requirement of permanent Multiplex.** – Permanent Multiplex shall satisfy the following requirements to qualify as Permanent Multiplex, namely: -

- (a) Screens – A minimum of 2 (two) screens in two different halls.
- (b) Seats – The seating capacity shall not be less than 150 (one hundred fifty) in each hall, and not exceeding 500 (five hundred) seats in all the halls taken together. Seats shall be comfortable and preferably push-back type and not be less than 22 inches in width and the row to row spacing shall not be less than 1100 mm.
- (c) Air conditioning – The cinema halls and the Lobby shall be fully Air conditioned.
- (d) Shopping Mall – There shall be general shopping area in the same compound/complex which may include readymade garment shops, chemist, novelty etc.
- (e) Establishment Area – The Multiplex should have a minimum of 250 sq. ft. area marked for entertainment/crèche/kids’ play area facilities.
- (f) Food Court - The Permanent Multiplex should have a minimum of 500 sq. ft. area for Food Court.
- (g) Power Back up – 100% noise and pollution free Power back up facility must be available non-stop.
- (h) Projector – The projectors should be equipped with latest applicable technology.
- (i) Sound System – Dolby sound system should be installed in every theatre.
- (j) Car parking – Car parking facilities in the ratio of 1: 10 of the cinema hall seats should be provided. Ample space should also be kept for two wheelers.
- (k) Gangway/Passage – The central gangway/passage should be 4 ft. wide and the side gangway/passage should be 3ft. wide in minimum.
- (l) Smoke alert system and fire extinguishing faculties in every storey be adequately fitted along water supply for fire extinguishing purpose.
- (m) Round the clock water supply for drinking, washing and any other purpose has to be provided.
- (n) Adequate number of toilets / Urinal rooms have to be provided in every floor along with sanitation.

“ **76. Power tariff and fixation of rate of tickets.** - Power tariff and rates of tickets shall be fixed in the following manner: -

- (a) MeSEB power tariff to be decided by MeSEB.
- (b) Rate of tickets for Permanent multiplex with the approval by the Licensing Authority”.

12. Amendment of Form B – In the title of form B appended to the principal Rules, after the words “Permanent Cinemas”, occurring within the brackets, the words and sign “/Permanent Mini Cinema/ Permanent Multiplex” shall be added.

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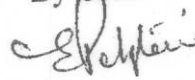
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6. The P.A. to all Principal Secretaries/Commissioner & Secretaries/Secretaries to the Govt. of Meghalaya for favour of information.
7. All Deputy Commissioners. They are requested to take necessary action for scrutiny and recommendation of new applications for Mini Cinema Halls and Multiplexes as per amended rules above. Further, they are also requested to enforce the new fee structure indicated above.
8. Home (Police)/Political/Arts & Culture/Health & Family Welfare/Power/ ERTS / P.W.D. (Buildings)/ Law/ Finance (Estt) Departments.
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11. Secretary, MeSEB/ Chief Engineer, P.W.D.(Buildings)/ D.H.S.(MI)/ Commissioner of Taxes, Meghalaya, Shillong.
12. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication of the Notification in the next issue of the Meghalaya Gazette and to furnish 150 copies of the same to this Department.

By Order Etc.,



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