NOTICE

Subject: <u>Guidelines for physical hearing in this Tribunal - with</u> <u>effect from 08.03.2021 – General instructions for</u> <u>compliance of COVID – 19 restrictions - Reg</u>.

- 1. The Ld. Counsels/Litigants are informed that no person will be allowed entry inside the Tribunal premises if they do not wear face mask.
- 2. The individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet from each other. The gatherings are strictly prohibited inside the Tribunal/Court Hall and also in the lift lobby/Corridor.
- 3. All persons will allow themselves to be screened by thermal scanning at the entry point near to the stair case.
- 4. All the persons visiting the Tribunal/Court Hall are discouraged to use the lift.
- 5. The provision of hand sanitizer shall be made available at the entry point in 3rd floor. The Counsel/Litigants shall leave the Tribunal immediately after the completion of their hearing of the cases.
- 6. The Office bearers of the DRT Bar Association are requested to ensure that only the members of their Association who have any business transaction on a particular day are allowed inside the Bar Association room to maintain the social distancing norms. The Advocates arriving from outside of Coimbatore, if any, may also be advised accordingly.
- 7. The entry in to the Court Hall by the Advocate/Litigants shall be regulated in such a way that a maximum number of **FOUR** persons shall be allowed at a time. Other persons shall wait in the lift lobby / Bar Association for their turn.
- 8. The Advocates can be accommodated at the Bar Association room shall also required to be regulated by the office bearers of the Association in such a way that there are no crowd inside the room with a restriction that a maximum number of **Eight** persons at a time.
- 9. The Advocates/Litigants can observe the serial number of the case being called in the Court by monitoring the digital display board/PA system.

- 10. The Advocates/Litigants who have completed the case before the Tribunal shall immediately vacate the court hall so as to allow the waiting members to gain entry to the court hall.
- 11. The cases also shall be placed in a slot system like 11 am to 11.30 am, 11.30 am to 12.00 pm, 12.00 pm to 12.30 pm etc., as and when it become found necessary.
- 12. Persons with symptoms of COVID -19 during thermal scanning shall be denied entry.
- 13. The washing facilities are to be provided in the toilet near to the court hall by the Bar Association to its members. The washing of hands is also encouraged.
- 14. The overcrowding of Advocates/parties in court halls, sections, corridors and in any common places is strictly prohibited.
- 15. The Tribunal on its own discretion may change the any of the provisions of this guidelines considering the practical circumstances and the future directives/advisories of the central government relating to the COVID -19 pandemic.
- 16. The above SOP is only indicative in nature and not an exhaustive one.
- 17. The above restrictions shall and be made applicable in respect of the functioning of the bench of Ld. Registrar/Ld. Recovery Officers in the case of physical hearing by such authorities. However, the entry of personnel shall be barest to the minimum of 2 members at a time.

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This has the approval of the Hon'ble Presiding Officer.

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