

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Minorities Welfare Department– Eidul Azha (Bakrid) - Performance of Eid Prayers and Qurbani – Instructions/Guidelines - Orders – Issued.

MINORITIES WELFARE (IDM) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 96

**Dated: 31-07-2020
Read the following:**

1. Circular No.E1/20/2019-AP, Dated: 22-05-2020 of the CEO, A.P.State Waqf Board, Vijayawada.
2. Orders of Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, Dt: 30-05-2020.
3. SOPs on preventive measures to contain spread of COVID-19 in Religious places of Worship issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI, Dt: 04-06-2020.
4. G.O.Rt.No.280 of HM&FW(B2)Dept.,Dt:31-05-2020, Government of A.P.
5. G.O.Rt.No.288 of HM&FW(B2)Dept.,Dt:05-06-2020, Government of A.P.
6. Circular no. E1/20/2019-AP, dated: 07-06-2020 of the CEO, A.P.State Waqf Board, Vijayawada.
7. G.O.Rt.No.985, GA (Poll.A) Dept., Dt:12-06-2020 of Government of A.P.
8. From the CEO, APSWB, Letter No.E1/20/2019-AP, Dt.25-07-2020.

ORDER

In accordance with the instructions of Central Government, the Government of Andhra Pradesh have issued certain orders from time to time with respect to the measures, to be taken by the Managements of the Waqf Institutions, Staff, NGOs and the General public to safeguard the interest and the health of the public.

2. The Chief Executive Officer, Andhra Pradesh Waqf Board, Vijayawada vide reference 8th read above has requested the Government for issuance of necessary instructions to the District Collectors in respect of performance of Eid prayers during Eidul Azha and for Qurbani.

3. Accordingly, the following guidelines/instructions are issued to take the following measures in ensuring Eidul Azha (Bakrid) festival on 01.08.2020:-

(a) Eid Prayers

1. It is appealed to perform Eid Prayers at one's respective home and in the Masjids, the Prayer maybe performed with only 50-60 musallis in accordance with the capacity of the namaz area of the respective Masajid duly maintaining social distancing and other prescribed health norms. If necessitated, the Eid prayers can be conducted subsequently / separately for the other Musallies / individuals.
2. Every devotee / Musalli coming to the Masjid for prayers is advised to perform wadhu at home and bring his own prayer mat/Jaye-Namaz (Janimaaz).
3. The managing committee of the masjid shall keep sufficient no.of sanitizers at the entry points. Before entering the masjid, hands shall be cleaned with sanitizer or soap.
4. Imams and Khateebbs are requested to make the Eid khutbah short.
5. Senior citizens, children and people with cough, cold or fever are appealed to perform the Eid prayers at their Home.
6. People suffering with diabetes, high BP and other coronary heart ailments are advised to offer prayers at home.

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(b) Qurbani

1. The mandis of sheep/goat shall preferably be located at the outskirts of the towns as facilitated by the district administration.
 2. People are advised to perform Slaughtering / Qurbani of animals indoor / private places.
 3. The District Administration shall take necessary action for operating the kabelas (Animal slaughter / Qurbani houses) in accordance with the health guidelines issued by the Government.
 4. The Kabelas (Animal slaughtering / Qurbani houses) shall be kept open on 1st, 2nd and 3rd August, 2020 to facilitate distribution of crowd in three days.
 5. Slaughtering / Qurbani of big animals shall be limited to Kabelas only.
4. Therefore, Government is here by direct all the Heads of the Departments and District Collectors of the State to take necessary action to facilitate the public in respect of performance of Eid prayers during Eidul Azha and Qurbani and it should be ensured that all necessary protocols of COVID-19 shall be followed scrupulously. The Do's and Don'ts is Annexed to this Order.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

Dr. MOHD. ILYAS RIZVI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Special Commissioner, Minorities Welfare, AP. Tadepalli, Guntur District.
The Chief Executive Officer, AP State Waqf Board, Vijayawada.
The HoDs of All the Departments of the State.
All the District Collectors in the State.
All the District Minorities Welfare Officers in the State.

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SECTION OFFICER

Annexure
(G.O.Rt.No.96 Dt.31.07.2020)
Safety measures for Eid-ul-Adha (Bakrid) 2020

At Markets	1. Every person (Seller/ Buyer) visiting the market shall wear face mask.
	2. As far as possible, contact-less thermal scanner should be used at the entry point for screening of individuals' temperature before entering the premises.
	3. Both at entry and exit there should be a facility of soap hand wash or hand sanitizer and make sure that every person shall avail the facility.
	4. Crowding should be avoided and strict queues shall be maintained.
	5. Strictly practice physical distancing, maintaining a minimum 2 meters distance between individuals.
	6. Disinfect, most frequently used, surfaces by the customers/ sellers frequently.
	7. Persons with cough, fever, breathing difficulty etc. other symptoms of COVID19 shall avoid entering the market area.
	8. Government health & safety protocols in local language shall be displayed.
During Slaughtering	
Location	9. The slaughtering area should be kept clean.
Butchers	10. Butchers should strictly adhere to hygiene and sanitation by wearing gloves, mask, head gear and preferably PPE.
	11. Butchers should frequently wash their hands with soap and water between their operation.
	12. Cutting knives should be sterilized in boiling water from time to time during slaughtering operations.
	13. Cleaning with detergent and water, followed by rinsing and drying is the most useful method for removing germs from surfaces. Enveloped viruses, including the one causing COVID-19 are sensitive to detergents. Detergents help to loosen the germs so that they can be rinsed away with clean water.
	14. Disinfecting or using chemicals to kill germs on surfaces, can further lower the risk of spreading infections. After applying a disinfectant, wait for the required exposure time to ensure it kills the germs on the surface. Once the contact time has lapsed, the disinfectant may be rinsed with clean water
	15. Where possible, use disposable cloths or towels and disposable mop heads. Alternatively, ensure used cloths and mop heads are laundered and dried after use to minimize contamination.
Persons	16. Visitors should be limited to minimum essential.
	17. Crowding should be avoided during slaughtering and dressing of animals. Only necessary persons should be allowed to be present at the site.
	18. Persons with cough, fever, breathing difficulty etc. other symptoms of COVID19 shall avoid entering the area.
	19. Everyone should use mask and gloves mandatorily and avoid touching animals without mask and gloves.
	20. Physical distancing, maintaining a minimum 2 meters distance between individuals shall strictly be practiced.
	21. Promote good respiratory hygiene by using bent elbow or tissue paper during coughing and sneezing. The used tissue paper should be disposed off into a bin with a lid.
	22. Provision of hand wash should be made available. Wash hands frequently with soap and water for 40-60 seconds. If soap and water is not available, rub your hand for 20- 30 seconds with sanitizer.
Distribution	23. Distribution of meat should be done maintaining strict social distancing.

DON'TS

At Markets & At Slaughtering	1. Persons with cough, fever, breathing difficulty etc. other symptoms of COVID19 shall avoid entering the area.
	2. Touching eyes, nose or mouth especially when the hands are dirty shall be avoided.
	3. Spitting in the slaughtering area should be prohibited.
	4. Disposal of offals near residential area or in river or pond water shall be avoided. It should be disposed off hygienically by properly burying under the earth.
	5. The area after slaughtering process, shall be properly cleaned.

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