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NOTIFICATION

Sub: “One Activity, One License” Framework for Rationalized Business Licensing in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep- Reg.

The Lakshadweep Administration has undertaken a comprehensive review of the licenses required for opening and operating various business establishments in the Union Territory as part of the Ease of Doing Business reforms. Accordingly, a draft “Comprehensive List of Licenses Required for Opening and Operating Various Business Establishments in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep” together with the draft “One Activity, One License” framework was placed in the public domain vide Public Notice dated 30.06.2026 inviting comments, suggestions and objections from stakeholders. The comments and suggestions received during the public consultation have been duly examined by the Administration.

2. Accordingly, in pursuance of the above public consultation process, the “**One Activity, One Licence**” framework is hereby notified. Under this framework, the Trade Licence issued by the concerned Deputy Collector shall constitute the primary local business licence for carrying on trade or business activities within the respective Island. No additional local business licence shall ordinarily be required for the same business activity, except where such requirement is expressly mandated under any law for the time being in force.

3. Nothing contained in this Notification shall exempt any person from obtaining licences, registrations, approvals or No Objection Certificates required under the applicable Central Acts, Rules or Regulations, including but not limited to **FSSAI Licence/Registration, Drug Licence, PESO Licence, Legal Metrology Registration/Certificate, Fire NOC, Liquor Licence**, and any other statutory approvals, wherever applicable. Such approvals shall be treated as statutory regulatory compliances and shall not be construed as additional local business licences.

4. The **Comprehensive List of Licenses Required for Opening and Operating Various Business Establishments in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep, annexed to this Notification as Annexure-I**, shall form an integral part of this Notification and shall serve as the reference document indicating the primary licence and the sector-specific statutory compliances applicable to different categories of business establishments.

5. All Departments and licensing authorities of the Lakshadweep Administration shall ensure that the provisions of this Notification are implemented in letter and spirit and that no duplicate local licence is insisted upon for the same business activity, except where specifically required under any applicable law.

6. This Notification is issued to rationalize the business licensing framework, eliminate duplication in local licensing requirements, simplify regulatory compliance and promote **Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living** in the Union Territory of Lakshadweep. It shall come into force with immediate effect.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority

Sd/-
(AVINASH SINGH, DANICS)
ADDITIONAL DISTRICT MAGISTRATE

Annexure--I*Comprehensive List of Licences Required for Business Operations -*

Business Category	Trade License	Drug License	PESO License	Liquor License	Legal Metrology Certificates	Other Certificate	Remarks
(i) Retail Shops:- (Fruits shop, Vegetable shop, Grocery/provision store, supermarket/mini mart, Bakery shop, Meat shop, Fish shop, Poultry shop, Dairy Products shop, Stationery shop, Gift shop, Fancy store, Textile/garment shop, Footwear shop, Jewelry shop, Mobile shop, Electronics shop, hardware shop, Paint shop, Furniture shop, Book shop, Scrap shop)	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	FSSAI	• Certificate form Legal Metrology is required if they use weighing instruments. • FSSAI Certificate is required if the business unit deals with food items.
(ii) Food & Beverage Establishments:- (Hotel (lodging + food), Restaurant, Fast food center, Cool bar / juice shop, Ice cream shop, Tea shop / coffee shop, Catering service, Sweet stall, Street food vendor, Mess / canteen, Resort/Guest house)	YES	NO	NO	YES	Yes	FSSAI	• Certificate form Legal Metrology is required if they use weighing instruments. • FSSAI Certificate is required if the business unit deals with food items. • Liquor License is required if they serve liquor
(iii) Automobile & Mechanical Services:- (Automobile workshop, Two-wheeler workshop, Bicycle workshop, Car wash / service center, Tire shop / puncture shop, Spare parts shop, Battery shop, Welding workshop, Lathe workshop)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
(iv) IT & Digital Services:- (Recording studio, Digital studio, DTP service, Common Service Center (CSC), Internet café, Computer sales & service, Mobile repair shop, Software company / IT office, Printing & photocopy shop)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	

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(v) Construction & Building Services:- (Building contractor, Electrical contractor, Plumbing service, Interior decorator, Carpenter workshop, Masonry services, Tile / granite shop)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
(vi) Personal & Household Services:- (Barber shop / salon, Beauty parlor, Spa / wellness center, Laundry / dry cleaning, Tailoring shop, Shoe repair shop)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
(vii) Transport & Logistics:- (Travel agency, Tour operator, Taxi service, Goods transport service, Courier service, Parcel service)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
(viii) Small Manufacturing / Production Units:- (Bakery production unit, Ice cream manufacturing, Garment stitching unit, Furniture manufacturing, Handicrafts unit, Coir / coconut products unit, Agarbathi / candle making)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO	
(IX) Fisheries & Marine:- (Fish processing unit, Fish drying yard, Ice plant, Cold storage, Net making / repair, Boat repair yard)	YES	NO	NO	NO	YES	FSSAI	• Certificate form Legal Metrology is required if they use weighing instruments. • FSSAI Certificate is required if fish products like Canned Tuna, Dried Tuna are kept.
(X) Water sports (Suba diving, snorkeling, kayaking, Banana Ride, Para sailing,)	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	YES	Water Sports specific activity certificate required. Eg. PADI Certificate for Divers.
(XI) Explosive/Flammable products (POL Outlet, Fire Cracker Shop)	YES	NO	YES	NO	YES	NO	• Certificate form Legal Metrology is

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							required if they use weighing instruments. • PESO/Fire NOC required
(XII) Medicines/Drugs (Medical shop, Pharmacy, Clinic, Dental clinic, Diagnostic lab, Ayurvedic/ Homeo clinic, Medical distribution store)	YES	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO	• Drug License required