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North Block, New Delhi
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Republic Day Ceremony, 2023.

Every year, the Republic Day is celebrated with grandeur, gaiety, fervour and enthusiasm. This year also, the Republic Day will be celebrated in a manner befitting the occasion. However, as the threat of Covid-19 virus still exists, while organizing various programmes or activities for the Republic Day celebrations, it is imperative to follow all guidelines and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) related to Covid-19 issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare from time to time. The events organized could be web-cast in order to reach out people at large, who are not able to participate.

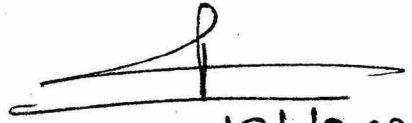
2. Keeping the above precautionary steps in view, the following will be the pattern of Celebrations in Delhi on the forthcoming Republic Day i.e. 26th January, 2023:-

- (i) On the morning of 26th January, 2023, the Prime Minister will lay a wreath at the National War Memorial. An Inter-Services Guard will give salute and, thereafter, two minutes silence will be observed.
- (ii) The President will drive in straight to Kartavya Path and take the salute at a ceremonial march past which will consist of units drawn from the three Services, Para Military Forces and other Auxiliary Civil Forces, National Cadet Corps and National Service Scheme.
- (iii) 04 Helicopters would precede the Parade Commander. Lead helicopter will carry National Flag. The other three helicopters would carry services flags and echelon aircraft would shower flower petals.
- (iv) 23 Tableaux from various States and Central Government Departments on developmental, cultural and historical themes will be participating in this year's Republic Day Parade. Some of the tableaux on cultural themes will have integrated folk dances.

- (v) 04 Cultural performances would be made by group of dancers selected from across the country through "Vande Bharatam" competition conducted by Ministry of Culture.
- (vi) After the National Anthem and before the departure of the President, tricolour balloons would be released from the booths at different locations at Kartavya Path set up for the purpose. Some balloons will be released on 23rd January, 2023 also. A fly-past by Indian Air Force (I.A.F) subject to weather conditions, at the end will provide grand finale to the Republic Day Parade.
- (vii) On behalf of the Government of India, approx. 70 tribal guests from various parts of the country have been invited to witness the Republic Day Celebrations, 2023 in Delhi. These representatives and tableaux artists will call on the Prime Minister and the Minister for Tribal Affairs.
- (viii) A reception will be held at Rashtrapati Bhawan on 26th January, 2023.
- (ix) Trophies will be awarded for the best marching contingent amongst the marching contingents of the three Services and Para Military Forces/Police.
- (x) The tableaux of States/UTs will continue to be adjudged on merit for the first, second and third prizes. The tableaux from Ministries/ Department will also be adjudged on merit for first prize.
- (xi) A Full Dress Rehearsal of the Republic Day Parade will be held on 23rd January, 2023. Entry to the seating enclosures on either side of the Kartavya Path on this occasion will be regulated by e-invitation, to be issued by the Ministry of Defence.
- (xii) As in the past, admission to the seating enclosures for the Republic Day Parade, 2023 will be regulated partly by priced tickets and partly by invitation. Online invitation will be issued to categories as State Guests, person included in the Table of Precedence (including Members of Parliament), members of Press Corps, Defence and Police Personnel, Public Servants of entitled categories and their spouses. Entry of all others to the seating enclosures for the Republic Day Parade will be regulated on the basis of priced tickets of the denominations of Rs. 20/-, Rs.100/- and Rs.500/-. The tickets can be booked online through www.aamantran.mod.gov.in.

- (xiii) The facility given to the general public to witness the Parade will be through tickets of Rs. 20/-, Rs 100/- and Rs 500/-.
- (xiv) The duration of the Republic Day Parade, 2023 will be around 90 minutes.
- (xv) Beating Retreat will be organized at Vijay Chowk on the following dates:-

27th January, 2023 (Full Dress Rehearsal)
28th January, 2023 (Special Show)
29th January, 2023 (Main Ceremony)



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To

All Ministries / Departments of the Government of India.

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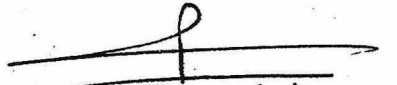
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14. All Offices/Sections/Desks of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
15. All attached and subordinate offices and commissions etc. of the Ministry of Home Affairs.
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17. Ministry of Defence (D Ceremonials) with 10 spare copies.
18. Ministry of External Affairs - **They are requested to issue suitable instructions to the Indian Missions/Posts etc. abroad.**

B. Copy also forwarded for information to:-

Chief Secretaries/Administrators of all State Governments/ Union Territory Administrations with the request to issue appropriate instructions to ensure that the Republic Day (26th January, 2023) is celebrated in befitting manner throughout the country and guidelines & Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) on COVID-19 are followed. The Ministry of Defence has issued standing instructions to the local Defence authorities to extend all facilities and co-operation to the Civil Authorities.

C. Copy also forwarded for information and necessary action to the Secretary to the Governors/Lt. Governors of all States/ UT Administrations.


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