

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA  
MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT**

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**CIRCULAR**

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**Sub:-** YAT & C (CA) Department – Orders issued by the Government declaring “Bathukamma Panduga” as Telangana State Festival – Conducting of the festival in all the Ten Districts of Telangana State in a befitting manner – Certain instructions – Issued.

**Ref:-** 1. G.O.Ms.No. 02 Youth Advancement, Tourism & Culture (CA) Department, dt. 24.07.2014  
2. Meeting held in the chambers of Chief Secretary to Government, Telangana, Hyderabad on 16.09.2014 at 3.00 P.M.

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The attention of the Municipal Commissioners of all Urban Local Bodies in the State is invited to the references and they are informed that in the reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited, Government observed that “Bathukamma Festival” is an important festival, which is celebrated across the Telangana State and is also an important cultural event of Telangana State wherein large number of people, particularly women, participate with devotional fervor and therefore declared the “Bathukamma Panduga” as a Telangana State Festival and directed to take necessary action to celebrate the festival in a befitting manner.

2. In the reference 2<sup>nd</sup> cited, Government in Youth Advancement, Tourism & Culture (CA) Department have communicated the minutes of the coordination meeting on “Bathukamma Festival” in the chambers of Chief Secretary to Government on 16.09.2014 for taking necessary action on the respective action points.

3. In view of the above, the following instructions are hereby issued to the Municipal Commissioners of all Urban Local Bodies in the State for strict compliance:

- (i) The identified water tanks/ water bodies normally used for immersion of ‘Bathukammas’ shall be cleaned up and adequate lighting, potable drinking water, security arrangements and all other arrangements as necessary shall be provided
- (ii) Wherever the water tanks/ water bodies are located near the temples, the temple premises shall also be cleaned up duly making arrangements for drinking water and immersion etc.

- (iii) Self-Help groups/ Women Groups pertaining to MEPMA, IKP may also be fully involved in the celebrations
- (iv) Any other work or activity as entrusted by the District Collector concerned

4. The Municipal Commissioners of all Urban Local Bodies in the State shall strictly comply with the above instructions and take necessary action for celebrating the "Bathukamma Festival" in a befitting manner.

**Sd/- B. Janardhan Reddy  
Commissioner & Director**

To  
The Municipal Commissioners of all Urban Local Bodies in the State except GHMC through the Regional Directors-cum-Appellate Commissioners of Municipal Administration of Warangal and Hyderabad.

Copy to all the District Collectors in the State.

Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary to Government, MA & UD Department, Telangana Secretariat, Hyderabad

  
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