

**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
FINANCE DEPARTMENT**

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Date: 17/10/2025

From

Sanjeeb Kumar Mishra, IAS
Principal Secretary to Government

To

Additional Chief Secretaries/
Principal Secretaries/
Commissioner-cum-Secretaries/
Secretaries to Government
All Departments

Sub: Adherence to "No Gift Policy" during Festive Occasions.

Sir/ Madam,

Government of India has adopted a "No Gift Policy" during festive occasions. A copy of the Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure Office Memorandum No.7(1)/E.Coord/2025 dated 19th September, 2025 is enclosed. The said policy prohibits Ministries/Departments and other organs of the Government of India from incurring any expenditure on gifts and related items for Diwali and other festivals.

2. The State Government has decided to adopt the aforesaid Office Memorandum on "No Gift Policy." It is, therefore, impressed upon all State Government Offices and Public Sector Undertakings that no expenditure shall be incurred on gifts and related items for Diwali and other festivals.

It is, therefore, requested to *strictly adhere* to the aforesaid Office Memorandum of Government of India.

Yours faithfully,


Principal Secretary to Government

Memo No. 29215 /F

Date 17/10/2025

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Joint Secretary to Government

Memo No. 29216 /F

Date 17/10/2025

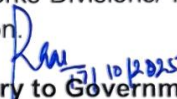
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Joint Secretary to Government

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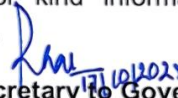
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Joint Secretary to Government

Memo No. 29218 /F

Date 17/10/2025

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Joint Secretary to Government

Memo No. 29219 /F

Date 17/10/2025

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Joint Secretary to Government

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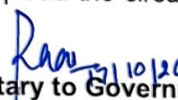
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Joint Secretary to Government

Memo No. 29221 /F

Date 17/10/2025

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Joint Secretary to Government

No. 7(1)/E.Coord/2025
Government of India(भारतसरकार)
Ministry of Finance (वित्तमंत्रालय)
Department of Expenditure (व्ययविभाग)

North Block, New Delhi
Dated the 19th September, 2025

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Expenditure on gifts on account of festivals- reg.

The Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure has been issuing instructions from time to time aimed at promoting fiscal discipline and curbing non-essential expenditure. In continuation of these efforts and in the interest of prudent and judicious use of public resources, it has been decided that **no expenditure shall be incurred on gifts and related items for Diwali and other festivals** by Ministries/Departments and other organs of the Government of India.

2. This issues with the approval of Secretary (Expenditure) and will come into force with immediate effect.



(P.K. Singh)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

All Secretaries to the Government of India

Copy to:-

1. Cabinet Secretary - for information
2. All the Financial Advisors of Ministries/ Departments
3. Secretary, Department of Public Enterprises - with a request to reiterate the same to all CPSEs.
4. Secretary, Department of Financial Services - with a request to reiterate the same to all Public Sector Banks and Financial Institutions.