

PRESS NOTE

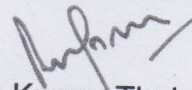
Apart from taking a decision to forgo 30% of his salary for the entire financial year (2020 – 2021), the Hon'ble Governor has given various instructions to Raj Bhavan for economizing expenditure and making optimal usage of resources. The Hon'ble Governor is of the view that this will be small but significant contribution towards combating COVID-19 and mitigating the plight of the people. Raj Bhavan will undertake the following measures to reduce its expenditure:-

- 1) No new capital work will be taken up in Raj Bhavan in the financial year 2020-2021. Only the ongoing works will be completed. Repair and maintenance work will be minimized to only ensure proper upkeep of assets.
- 2) Consumption of office consumables shall be reduced by 20%.
- 3) Floral arrangement for day to day functions and other ceremonial functions will be curtailed as austerity measure.
- 4) The invitees list for the At Home Function and other ceremonial functions will be reduced by 25%
- 5) During "At Home" Function, State banquet and other ceremonial functions the food menu, floral decoration, illumination will be arranged on a smaller scale.
- 6) Raj Bhavan will try to save energy consumption by
 - a) Switching off its lights earlier than the usual timing and reduce the usage of all lights by 1/3rd.
 - b) Using all the electrical / electronic applications judiciously.
- 7) Raj Bhavan will also strive to incur expenditure for this financial year to the extent of 80% of its overall budget, thereby saving 20% as an austerity measure.
- 8) Most of the Raj Bhavan officials / officers have contributed one day's salary and a few have contributed more than a day's salary.

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Secretary to Governor