

Press Release

Selling of Packaged Commodities over MRP will attract Penal action
Labour Department Warns Cinema Theatres.

Of late various Complaints are being received from Public that in Tamil Nadu, the Packaged Commodities sold in the Canteen, Restaurant and Stalls of the Cinema Theatres are being charged with above the MRP rates mentioned in the Packages.

In order to put an end to this practice, as per the instructions of the Commissioner of Labour Dr. R. Nantha Gopal, I.A.S., a special task force headed by Assistant Commissioners of Labour (Enforcement) formed in each Districts and surprise raids were conducted on 06.09.2018 and 07.09.2018 in all the Cinema Theaters throughout the State.

A total no. of **335** inspections were made and **72** no. of contraventions were found for selling water bottle, soft drinks, food packets on excess MRP. Moreover for the contraventions non declaration of statutory information like name of the Manufactures, full address, MRP (including of all taxes), Date of packing, best before use **38** no of cases were filed. For other contraventions in weights and measure **4** cases also booked. A total no of 114 cases were booked on Theatre Canteen Owners and necessary penal action is being initiated.

The Labour Department has created a Tamil Nadu Legal Metrology Complaint Tracking System (TN-LMCTS) a mobile app. The Consumers can download the TN-LMCTS Mobile app through Google Play Store and lodge complaints for the contravention on Excess MRP, Non-declarations, short weighment and other complaints on Weights and Measures found in Petrol Bunks, Ration Shops and in other places and can seek immediate relief.

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