

**No.11013/9/2014-Estt,(A-III)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions**  
**Department of Personnel and Training**  
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**North Block, New Delhi**  
**Dated the 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2020**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

Subject:- Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 – Closure of Departmental Canteens.

The undersigned is directed to refer to this Department OM of even number dated 20<sup>th</sup>April, 2020 whereby, as a part of preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19, it was decided to close all Departmental Canteens until further orders.

2. As the re-opening of prohibited activities has gradually been allowed, it has been decided to open the Departmental Canteens located in Ministries/Departments of Government of India in Delhi.

3. All the Ministries/Departments/offices as well as the Central Government employees are, therefore, directed to ensure strict compliance of instructions issued by MHA, MoH&FW and DoPT from time to time on social distancing norms and health & hygiene practices etc. The canteen employees may be advised to strictly follow hygiene & safety protocols and to avoid crowding, especially at the distribution/sale counters.

  
28/8/2020

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Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of India

To

1. All the Ministries/Departments, Government of India
2. PMO/Cabinet Secretariat
3. Director(Canteen)
4. PS to Hon'ble MOS(PP)
5. PSO to Secretary(Personnel) for information
6. Sr. Tech. Dir., NIC