



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**  
**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION (PROTOCOL) DEPARTMENT**

No:Pro 5/6/2026-GAD

Thiruvananthapuram,  
Dated:19-01-2026

**CIRCULAR**

Sub: GAD - National Day Celebrations - Republic Day Celebrations  
2026 Adherence to the Guidelines - Reg.

The Republic Day Celebrations- 2026 shall be celebrated in a  
befitting manner.

All officers, members of staff of State Government offices/Public  
Sector Undertakings/ Autonomous Bodies/ Universities/Colleges  
Schools/Local Self Government Institutions under the State Government  
shall attend the Republic Day functions.

**State Capital**

The ceremony in the State capital would consist of a ceremonial  
parade unfurling of the National Flag at 9.00 am by the Hon'ble Governor,  
Ceremonial Parade, Playing of the National Anthem, Presentation of Guard  
of Honour by the Army, Air Force, Police, Para Military Force, Mounted  
Police, NCC, NSS, Scouts etc., followed by speech by the Governor and  
singing of patriotic songs by the students.

### **District level**

A similar ceremony in the morning at or after 9.00 am should be held at the district level, which may inter alia, consist of unfurling of the National Flag by a Minister, playing of the National Anthem, Parade by State Police Personnel, Home Guards/NCC, Scouts, speech by the Minister.

### **Subdivisional Level/Block level**

Ceremonial Hoisting of the National Flag at or after 9.00 am by a Sub divisional Magistrate/ Block Panchayat President accompanied by a speech by the VIP, unfurling of the Flag, singing of National Anthem, etc.

### **Panchayat/Municipality/Corporation Head Quarters**

Ceremonial Hoisting of the National Flag at or after 9.00 am by the Panchayat President/Municipal Chairperson/Mayor accompanied by a speech, singing of the National Anthem and patriotic songs, etc.

### **Public Offices /Schools/ Colleges/Health Institutions**

Ceremonial Hoisting of the National Flag at or after 9.00 am by the Heads of Departments/ Offices/ educational institutions/ health institutions accompanied by the singing of the National Anthem, speech by the Heads of the Departments/Offices/Educational Institutions, singing of patriotic songs etc. The Heads of Departments/Offices/ Institutions should ensure participation of the maximum number of staff and students in this endeavor with due regard to the provisions of the Flag Code 2002.

**General instructions:**

The audience shall stand in attention when the National Anthem is sung. All officers in uniform shall salute when the National Salute is given.

MAKE/SUPPLY/SALE/USE of National flag made of plastic is a prohibited activity.

Green Protocol shall be observed during the celebrations.

The above instructions shall be followed scrupulously while celebrating Republic Day.

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The Additional Chief Secretary to Governor, Kerala Raj Bhavan,

Thiruvananthapuram

The Secretary, Kerala Legislative Assembly

The Law Secretary

The Secretary, Kerala Public Service Commission,

Thiruvananthapuram

All Heads of Departments/ All Districts Collectors

The Private Secretary to Chief Minister

The Private Secretaries to Ministers

The Private Secretary to Leader of Opposition

The Registrar General, High Court of Kerala, Kochi

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