

State Slashes Licence Fee for events at Clubs

The state excise department has slashed the one-day licence fee charged from clubs and gymkhanas to hold activities for its members from Rs 20,000 to Rs 10,000. This has come as a huge relief for clubs and gymkhanas in the city which claim their activities were stalled due to the January 25, 2018, notification issued by the excise department.

Liquor licence

Meanwhile, club officials have slammed the increased fee for an FL4 licence which allows clubs to serve alcohol. While clubs pay Rs 7.70 lakh per year for the licence, restaurants are given an equivalent FL3 licence for Rs 6.60 lakh.

Club rates for liquor are controlled for the benefit of the members, not to benefit the establishment. This anomaly should go and the licence fee should be on par with restaurants.