

# HOTEL & RESTAURANT ASSOCIATION OF ODISHA

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**Sri Prem Chandra Chaudhary, IAS**

Commissioner  
Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation

## **Sub : Number of Persons for Weddings & Social Gatherings**

Respected Sir,

As you are aware, the hotel industry is taking adequate steps for sanitization, maintaining social distance, wearing up masks and very strictly monitoring guest movement in the hotels as per COVID guidelines framed by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare as well as the State Government.

Sir, as you are aware the hotel industry has been badly hit during the pandemic period, we sincerely request you to kindly increase the gatherings for weddings and social get-togethers up to 200 persons as specified by the Government of India. Any reduction on this figure badly affects the viability of hotels.

Further, as per guidelines of the Government of India some guests have already extended invitations up to 200 persons for their weddings which they will find very embarrassing to refuse guests now to attend their wedding reception parties.

In view of the above, we sincerely request your sympathetic views and oblige.

Thanking you  
Yours sincerely

**J.K. Mohanty, MHCIMA**

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Yours sincerely

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