

**Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. Banwarilal Purohit has promulgated Ordinance to "Ban Online Gaming" today (20.11.2020)**

Due to online gaming, innocent people mainly youngsters are being cheated and some people have committed suicide. In order to avoid such incidents of suicide and protect the innocent people from the evils of online gaming, the Government have submitted proposal to Hon'ble Governor to promulgate an Ordinance by amending the Tamil Nadu Gaming Act, 1930 (Tamil Nadu Act III of 1930), Chennai City Police Act, 1888 (Tamil Nadu Act III of 1888) and the Tamil Nadu District Police Act, 1859 (Tamil Nadu Act XXIV of 1859). The Ordinance provides the following :

- i) Banning the persons who are wagering or betting in cyber space using computers or any communication device or resource;
- ii) The people who are found gaming will be punished with a fine amount of Rs.5,000/- and six months imprisonment;
- iii) The people who open / keep common gaming house will be punished with a fine amount of Rs.10,000/- and two years imprisonment;
- iv) Banning "electronic transfer of funds" used for wagering or betting, distributing the winnings, prize money;
- v) Punishing the persons who are running the company which conducts online gaming by wagering and betting.

The Hon'ble Governor of Tamil Nadu Thiru Banwarilal Purohit, has promulgated the Ordinance to facilitate to "Ban Online Gaming".