



Indian Association of Amusement Parks and Industries

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To,
Shri. Sanjay Kumar
Chief Secretary
Government of Maharashtra

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Sub: - Re-Opening of Amusement and Entertainment Parks in the new Unlock guidelines, beginning 1st September, 2020.

Respected Chief Secretary Sir,

Kindly accept warm greetings from Indian Association of Amusement Parks and Industries (IAAPI), a National Apex body of Amusement, Theme Entertainment Parks and Indoor Amusement Centres of the Country.

This is further to our letter dated 27th July, 2020 to your good office followed by our interaction on Revival of Tourism Sector Post COVID with Shri Prahlad Singh Patel, Hon'ble Minister of State (IC), Ministry for Tourism, Government of India on 13th August, 2020.

In this context, I wish to submit that for immediate survival of the Amusement Park, Theme Park, Water Park & Indoor Amusement Centres (Entertainment Park) it is our humble request to consider reopening of parks just as re-opening religious places and places of worship, shopping, hotels, restaurants & other hospitality services vide Unlock-1 and Unlock-2 guidelines, with certain capacity limits and standard health - safety protocols is supporting in promoting domestic tourism.

I am pleased to inform you that IAAPI has prepared SOP under guidance of professionals from medical fraternity following proper methodology and process towards safety of guest and employees. A copy of the document "**IAAPI Recommended Guidance for Reopening of Amusement Parks in India**" is once again attached for your kind perusal.

We wish to also inform your good self, that opening of Amusement Park, Theme Park will play a pivotal role to de - stress the population by active outdoor activities giving holistic recreation as the outdoor Parks are spread across large areas of open land surrounded with lots of plantations and landscaping, suitable for better social distancing management.

In view of our humble submissions made above, we request your good self to kindly include re-opening of **Amusement Parks, Theme Parks and Indoor Amusement Centres - (Entertainment Park)** with necessary riders, whatever deems fit, in the recommendations that the State Government may be submitting to Government of India for the New Unlock Guidelines to be issued by the Home Ministry, for the period beyond 31th August, 2020.

We sincerely hope that your good self will consider our request, in the interest of Amusement industry of your State and its large number of employees. It is noteworthy that re-opening of Amusement Industry will help the State to accelerate its domestic tourism and will add to the economic growth of the State.

I also wish to bring to your notice that IAAPI has made similar request for re-opening of Amusement Park (Entertainment Park) in the new unlock guidelines to be operationalized from 1st September, 2020 to Union Home and Tourism Ministry.

I am pleased to attach copy of our representation submitted to Ministry of Tourism on 13th August, 2020 for your kind perusal.

In anticipation of your support.

Yours sincerely,

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