

## **Govt tells traders to display tax ID and registration no.**

The Delhi government wants all registered traders to display their certificate of registration and tax identification number (TIN) prominently outside their business places.

The trade and taxes department on Tuesday issued a circular to all assistant commissioners and the ward in-charges to ensure all registered dealers prominently displayed the registration certificates.

“Further, the dealer shall prominently display his TIN and ward number outside the main entrance of all places of business in Delhi,” the government circular read.

“All the AC s / ward in charges are further directed to ensure strict adherence to the above directions by ensuring compliance by all dealers within their respective jurisdiction,” the order read.

All traders with an annual THE GOVERNMENT ORDER turnover of over Rs.20 lakh have to register themselves with the trade and taxes department. Sources said the effort would help the government identify unregistered traders and bring them under the tax net.

Consumers will also be encouraged to help the tax department enforce tax compliance by traders by demanding bills for their purchase, the sources said.

“The department will come up with awareness campaign, requesting people to remind traders to display their registration certificates. All products have a maximum retail price (MRP), which means all taxes are included. We would request the consumers not to pay VAT if traders do not display their registration number as it means they are not passing on the tax amount to the government,” a Delhi government official said.

Sources said the decision to ask traders to display their details was taken at a meeting of the senior tax department officials with the trade unions last month.

This is the second initiative of the trade and taxes department for better tax compliance after the Bill Banvao Inaam Pao scheme.

According to this scheme, consumers get monetary awards following a draw of lot of the sales vouchers uploaded on the mobile application launched for the purpose.

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