Regulation of deity installations – 2012

Section: 407.2

Category: ISKCON law

RESOLVED:

That the 2002 ISKCON law is amended to read as follows:

Any ISKCON center wishing to install any deities for public temple worship or commence the worship of any deity in an ISKCON center must first receive a "Certificate of Readiness for Worship" for the said deities.

Centers may not make any commitments or agreements regarding procuring and/or worshiping deities until the "Certificate of Readiness for Worship" is granted. This "Certificate of Readiness for Worship" applies only to the deities for which it is granted and is not a generic permanent approval.

The readiness for worship will be assessed by a panel consisting of one local representative (either from the temple concerned, the local GBC or a representative from the National Council or RGB, etc.), a GBC appointed by the Executive Committee EC, and an ISKCON Deity Worship Ministry representative.

This law shall fully go into effect no later than Gaura Purnima 2012.

Any center that has already finalized plans for installation and publicly advertised the installation must consult the ISKCON Deity Worship Ministry, which will assist them in preparing for the worship of the deities.