

# RWAs, firms cancel Holi celebrations

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## Marathon postponed

**Gurgaon:** Several housing societies in Gurgaon cancelled their Holi celebrations in the wake of coronavirus threat. Although the city doesn't have any confirmed cases of Covid-19 yet, fearing the spread of virus through human contact, people have cancelled mass gatherings.

Chaitali Mandhotra, an RWA member of Ardee City, said, "We issued a notification, informing residents about cancellation of the programme. The disease can spread through human touch. We have cancelled Holi celebrations."

Similar views were shared by Lokesh Yadav, general secretary of RWA Vatika India Next. "We will conduct a puja to celebrate Holi. We are taking precautions," he said.

Several RWAs have issued notifications to resident. "We are not celebrating Holi as we

The Gurgaon Marathon, which was due to be held on March 8, has been rescheduled, as has the Gurgaon Utsav, the annual festival of the performing arts. The latter, originally scheduled for March 20-22, is now likely to be held some time in April. TNN

are avoiding participation in mass gatherings," said Bhawani Shankar Thripathy, an RWA member, Sector 23A.

Even many corporate companies have decided not to play with colours to celebrate Holi this year. "We at Vatika Business Centre are not playing with colours on Holi due to Covid-19 fears. Even colours in the market are mostly of Chinese make. We issued an advisory to clients, placed sanitisers and awareness boards at our business centres," said Vineet Taing, president of Vatika Business Centre.