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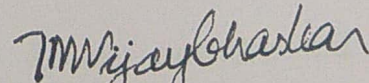
ORDER

Whereas, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India vide Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 14th April 2020 has issued directions to all the Ministries/Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State Union/Territory Authorities that the lockdown measures stipulated in Consolidated Guidelines dated 14th April 2020 of MHA for containment of COVID -19 epidemic in the country will continue to remain in force up to 03.05.2020.

Whereas, to mitigate hardship to the public, select additional activities will be allowed, which will come into effect from 00.00 hours on 23.04.2020. However, these additional activities will be operationalized by District Administration/BBMP based on strict compliance to the existing guidelines on lockdown measures. Before operating these relaxations, District Administration/BBMP shall ensure that all preparatory arrangements with regard to social distancing in offices, workplaces establishments, as also other sectoral requirements are in place. The Karnataka State consolidated revised guidelines incorporating the relaxations are enclosed.

Whereas, the Karnataka State consolidated revised guidelines will not apply in containment zones, as demarcated by District Administration/BBMP. If any new area is included in the category of a containment zone, the activities allowed in that area till the time of its categorization as a containment zone will be suspended except for those activities as are specifically permitted under the guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India.

Whereas, in exercise of the powers, conferred under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby issues directions to all Departments, District Deputy Commissioners, Superintendent of Police, BBMP, Police Commissioners and other Heads of Departments for the strict implementation of enclosed Karnataka State consolidated guidelines.


(T M Vijay Bhaskar)

Chief Secretary and Chairman,
State Executive Committee,
Karnataka State Disaster Management Authority.

To:

The Compiler, Karnataka Gazette, Bengaluru

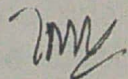
In continuation of MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 15th April 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby orders to implement the following Karnataka State consolidated revised guidelines by all the Departments, District Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police, BBMP, Police Commissioners and other Heads of Departments for the Containment activities of COVID-19 for strict implementation in the State of Karnataka.

1. With the extension of the lockdown period, the following activities will continue to remain prohibited across the State until 3rd May, 2020:

- i. All domestic and international air travel of passengers, except for purposes enumerated in para 5 (ix), and for security purposes.
- ii. All passenger movement by trains, except for security purposes.
- iii. Buses for public transport.
- iv. Metro rail services.
- v. Inter-district and inter-State movement of individuals except for medical reasons or for activities permitted under these guidelines.
- vi. All educational, training, coaching institutions etc. shall remain closed.
- vii. All industrial and commercial activities other than those specifically permitted under these guidelines.
- viii. Hospitality services other than those specifically permitted under these guidelines.
- ix. Taxis (including auto rickshaws and cycle rickshaws) and services of cab aggregators.
- x. All cinema halls, malls, shopping complexes, gymnasiums, sports complexes, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places.
- xi. All social/ political/ sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions/ other gatherings.
- xii. All religious places/ places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.
- xiii. In case of funerals, congregation of more than twenty persons will not be permitted.

2. Activities prohibited in Containment Zones demarcated by Local Administrations.

- i. 'Hotspots', i.e., areas of large COVID-19 outbreaks, or clusters with significant spread of COVID-19, will be determined as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India (GoI).
- ii. In these hotspots, containment zones will be demarcated by BBMP/ District administrations as per the guidelines issued in circular dated 15/4/2020 by Health and Family Welfare Department.

- iii. In these containment zones, the activities allowed outside the containment zones under these guidelines will not be permitted. There shall be strict perimeter control in the area of the containment zones to ensure that there is no unchecked inward/ outward movement of population from these zones except for maintaining essential services (including medical emergencies and law and order related duties) and Government business continuity. The guidelines issued in this regard by MoHFW will be strictly implemented by BBMP and the local district authorities.
 - iv. If any new area is included in the category of containment zone, the activities allowed in that area till the time of its categorization as a containment zone will be suspended except for the activated permitted in containment zones.
- 3. Select permitted activities allowed outside containment zone with effect from 00.00hours of 23rd April, 2020:**
- i. To mitigate hardship to the public, select additional activities have been allowed which will come into effect from 00.00hours of 23rd April, 2020. These limited exemptions will be operationalized by BBMP/ district administrations based on strict compliance to the existing guidelines. Also, before allowing these select additional activities, BBMP/ district administrations shall ensure that all preparatory arrangements with regard to the Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for social distancing in offices, workplaces, factories and establishments, as also other sectoral requirements are in place.
 - ii. The consolidated revised guidelines incorporating these select permitted activities have been enumerated in paras 5-20 below.
- 4. Strict enforcement of the lockdown guidelines**
- i. BBMP/ district administrations shall not dilute these guidelines issued under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, in any manner, and shall strictly enforce the same.
- 5. All health services (including AYUSH) to remain functional, such as:**
- i. Hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, telemedicine facilities.
 - ii. Dispensaries, chemists, pharmacies, all kinds of medicine shops including *Jan Aushadhi Kendras* and medical equipment shops.
 - iii. Medical laboratories and collection centres.
 - iv. Pharmaceutical and medical research labs, institutions carrying out COVID-19 related research.
 - v. Veterinary Hospitals, dispensaries, clinics, pathology labs, sale and supply of vaccine and medicine.
 - vi. Authorised private establishments, which support the provisioning of essential services, or efforts for containment of COVID-19, including home care providers, diagnostics, supply chain firms serving hospitals.
 - vii. Manufacturing units of drugs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, medical oxygen, their packaging material, raw material and intermediates.
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- viii. Construction of medical/ health infrastructure including manufacture of ambulances.
- ix. Movement (inter and intra State, including by air) of all medical and veterinary personnel, scientists, nurses, para-medical staff, lab technicians, mid-wives and other hospital support services, including ambulances.

6. Agricultural and related activities:

A. All agricultural and horticultural activities to remain fully functional, such as:

- i. Farming operations by farmers and farm workers in field.
- ii. Agencies engaged in procurement of agriculture products, including MSP operations.
- iii. 'Mandis' operated by the Agriculture Produce Market Committee (APMC) or as notified by the State. Direct marketing operations by the State Government or by industry, directly from farmers/ group of farmers, FPOs' co-operatives etc. States may promote decentralized marketing and procurement at village level.
- iv. Shops of agriculture machinery, its spare parts (including its supply chain) and repairs to remain open.
- v. 'Custom Hiring Centres (CHC)' related to farm machinery.
- vi. Manufacturing, distribution and retail of fertilizers, pesticides and seeds.
- vii. Movement (inter and intra State) of harvesting and sowing related machines like combined harvester and other agriculture/ horticulture implements.

B. Fisheries - the following activities will be functional:

- i. Operations of the fishing (**marine and inland**)/ aquaculture industry, including feeding & maintenance, harvesting, processing, packaging, cold chain, sale and marketing.
- ii. Hatcheries, feed plants, commercial aquaria.
- iii. Movement of fish/ shrimp and fish products, fish seed/ feed and workers for all these activities.

C. Plantations- the following activities will be functional:

- i. Operations of tea, coffee and rubber plantations, with maximum of 50% workers.
- ii. Processing, packaging, sale and marketing of tea, coffee, rubber and cashew, with maximum of 50% workers.

D. Animal husbandry – the following activities will be functional:

- i. Collection, processing, distribution and sale of milk and milk products by milk processing plants, including transport and supply chain.
- ii. Operation of animal husbandry farms including poultry farms & hatcheries and livestock farming activity.
- iii. Animal feed manufacturing and feed plants, including supply of raw material, such as maize and soya.

iv. Operation of animal shelter homes, including *Gaushalas*.

7. Financial sector: following to remain functional:

- i. Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and RBI regulated financial markets and entities like NPCI, CCIL, payment system operators and standalone primary dealers.
- ii. Bank branches and ATMs, IT vendors for banking operations, Banking Correspondents (BCs), ATM operation and cash management agencies.
 - a. Bank branches be allowed to work as per normal working hours till disbursement of DBT cash transfers is complete.
 - b. Local administration to provide adequate security personnel at bank branches and BCs to maintain social distancing, law and order and staggering of account holders.
- iii. SEBI, and capital and debt market services as notified by the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- iv. IRDAI and Insurance companies.

8. Social sector: following to remain functional:

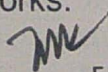
- i. Operation of homes for children/ disabled/ mentally challenged/ senior citizens/ destitutes/ women/ widows.
- ii. Observation homes, after care homes and places of safety for juveniles.
- iii. Disbursement of social security pensions, e.g., old age/ widow/ freedom fighter pensions; pension and provident fund services provided by Employees Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO).
- iv. Operation of *Anganwadis* – distribution of food items and nutrition once in 15 days at the doorsteps of beneficiaries, e.g., children, women and lactating mothers. Beneficiaries will not attend the *Anganwadis*.

9. Online teaching/ distance learning to be encouraged:

- i. All educational, training, coaching institutions etc. shall remain closed.
- ii. However, these establishments are expected to maintain the academic schedule through online teaching.
- iii. Maximum use of Doordarshan (DD) and other educational channels may be made for teaching purposes.

10. MNREGA works to be allowed:

- i. MNREGA works are allowed with strict implementation of social distancing and face mask.
- ii. Priority to be given under MNREGA to irrigation and water conservation works.
- iii. Other Central and State sector schemes in irrigation and water conservation sectors may also be allowed to be implemented and suitably dovetailed with MNREGA works.



- iii. District authorities may encourage and facilitate home delivery to minimize the movement of individuals outside their homes.
- 14. Commercial and private establishments, as listed below, will be allowed to operate:**
- i. Print and electronic media including broadcasting, DTH and cable services.
 - ii. Data and call centres for Government activities only.
 - iii. Government approved Common Service Centres (CSCs) at Gram Panchayat level.
 - iv. Courier services.
 - v. Cold storage and warehousing services, including at ports, airports, railway stations, container Depots, individual units and other links in the logistics chain.
 - vi. Private security services and facilities management services for maintenance and upkeep of office and residential complexes.
 - vii. Hotels, homestays, lodges and motels, which are accommodating tourists and persons stranded due to lockdown, medical and emergency staff, air and sea crew.
 - viii. Establishments used/ earmarked for quarantine facilities.
 - ix. Services provided by self-employed persons, e.g., electrician, IT repairs, plumbers, motor mechanics, and carpenters in local areas.
- 15. Industries/ Industrial Establishments (both Government and private), as listed below, will be allowed to operate:**
- i. Manufacturing units of essential goods, including drugs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, their raw material and intermediates.
 - ii. Food processing industries in rural areas, i.e., outside the limits of municipal corporations and municipalities.
 - iii. Coal production, mines and mineral production, their transportation, supply of explosives and activities incidental to mining operations.
 - iv. Manufacturing units of packaging material.
- 16. Construction activities, listed as below, will be allowed to operate:**
- i. Construction of roads, irrigation projects, buildings and all kinds of industrial projects, including MSMEs, in rural areas, i.e., outside the limits of municipal corporations and municipalities; and all kinds of projects in industrial estates, where workers are available on site and no workers are required to be brought in from outside (*in situ* constructions only)
 - ii. Metro Rail construction projects within the limits of Municipal Corporation, where workers are available on site and no workers are required to be brought in from outside (*in situ* constructions only)
- 17. Movement of persons is allowed in the following cases:**
- i. Private vehicles with passes for emergency services, including medical and veterinary care.
 - ii. All personnel travelling with passes to place of work and back.

11. Public utilities: following to remain functional:

- i. Operations of Oil and Gas sector, including refining, transportation, distribution, storage and retail of products, e.g., petrol, diesel, kerosene, CNG, LPG, PNG etc.
- ii. Generation, transmission and distribution of power at Central and State/ UT levels.
- iii. Postal services, including post offices.
- iv. Operations of utilities in water, sanitation and waste management sectors, at municipal/ local body levels in States and UTs.
- v. Operation of utilities providing telecommunications and internet services.

12. Movement, loading/ unloading of goods/ cargo (inter and intra State) is allowed, as under:

- i. All goods traffic will be allowed to ply including cement, steel, jelly, tiles, paint, bricks and tar.
- ii. Operations of Railways: Transportation of goods and parcel trains.
- iii. Operations of Airports and related facilities for air transport for cargo movement, relief and evacuation.
- iv. Operations of Seaports and Inland Container Depots (ICDs) for cargo transport, including authorized custom clearing and forwarding agents.
- v. Operations of Land Ports for cross land border transportation of essential goods, including petroleum products and LPG, food products, medical supplies.
- vi. Movement of all trucks and other goods/ carrier vehicles with two drivers and one helper subject to the driver carrying a valid driving license; an empty truck/ vehicle will be allowed to ply after the delivery of goods, or for pick up of goods.
- vii. Shops for truck repairs and dhabas on highways, with 20kms distance.
- viii. Movement of staff and contractual labour for operations of railways, airports/ air carriers, seaports/ ships/ vessels, landports and ICDs is allowed on passes being issued by the local authority on the basis of authorizations issued by the respective designated authority of the railways, airports, seaports, landports and ICDs.

13. Supply of essential goods is allowed, as under:

- i. All facilities in the supply chain of essential goods, whether involved in manufacturing, wholesale or retail of such goods through local stores, large brick and mortar stores or e-Commerce companies should be allowed to operate, ensuring strict social distancing without any restriction on their timing of opening and closure.
- ii. Shops (including *Kirana* and single shops selling essential goods) and carts, including ration shops (under PDS), dealing with food and groceries (**for daily use**), hygiene items, fruits and vegetables, dairy and milk booths, poultry, meat and fish, animal feed and fodder etc, should be allowed to operate, ensuring strict social distancing without any restriction on their timing of opening and closure.

18. Offices of the Government of India, its Autonomous/ Subordinate Offices will remain open, as mentioned below:

- i. Defence, Central Armed Police Forces, Health and Family Welfare, Disaster management and Early Warning Agencies (IMD, INCOIS, SASE and National Centre of Seismology, CWC), National Informatics Centre (NIC), Food Corporation of India (FCI), NCC, Nehru Yuva Kendras (NYKs) and Customs to function without any restriction.
- ii. Other Ministries and Departments, and offices under their control, are to function with 100% attendance of Deputy Secretary and levels above that. Remaining officers and staff to attend upto 33% as per requirement.

19. Offices of the State Governments, their Autonomous Bodies and Local Governments will remain open, as mentioned below:

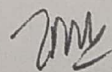
- i. Police, home guards, civil defence, fire and emergency services, disaster management, prisons and municipal services will function without any restrictions.
- ii. All other Departments of State Government to work as per the orders issued by Department of Personnel and Administration (DP&AR). However, delivery of public services shall be ensured, and necessary staff will be deployed for such purpose.
- iii. District administration and Treasury (including field offices of the Accountant General) will function with restricted staff. However, delivery of public services shall be ensured, and necessary staff will be deployed for such purpose.
- iv. Resident Commissioner of Karnataka State, New Delhi, only to the extent of coordinating COVID-19 related activities and internal kitchen operations.
- v. Forest offices:staff/ workers required to operate and maintain zoo, nurseries, wildlife, fire-fighting in forests, watering plantations, patrolling and their necessary transport movement.

20. Persons to remain under mandatory quarantine, as under:

- i. All such persons who have been directed by health care personnel to remain under strict home/institutional quarantine for a period as decided by local Health Authorities.
- ii. Persons violating quarantine will be liable to legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, 1860.
- iii. Quarantined persons, who have arrived in India after 15.2.2020, after expiry of their quarantine period and being tested Covid-19 negative, will be released following the protocol prescribed in the SOP issued by MHA.

21. Instructions for enforcement of above lockdown measures:

- i. All the district magistrates shall strictly enforce the National COVID 19 directives as specified in **Annexure I**. Penalties prescribed shall be levied and collected from all persons and entities violating these directives.
- ii. All industrial and commercial establishments, work places, offices etc. shall put in place arrangements for implementation of SOP as in **Annexure II** before starting their functioning.

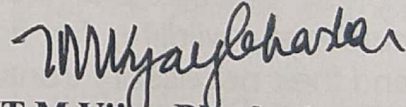


- iii. In order to implement these containment measures, the District Magistrate will deploy Executive Magistrates as Incident Commanders in each Containment Zone and in the respective local jurisdictions. The Incident Commander will be responsible for the overall implementation of these measures in their respective jurisdictions. All other line department officials in the specified area will work under the directions of such incident commander. The Incident Commander will issue passes for enabling essential movements as explained.
- iv. The Incident Commanders will in particular ensure that all efforts for mobilization of resources, workers and material for augmentation and expansion of hospital infrastructure shall continue without any hindrance.
- v. **Additional activities permitted in these guidelines shall be implemented after making all arrangements necessary for strict implementation of the guidelines. These will come into force with effect from 00.00hours on 23rd April, 2020.**

22. Penal provisions

Any person violating these lockdown measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Sec. 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at **Annexure III**.

1. Any clarifications regarding these guidelines may be sought through email sent to secyrelief-rev@karnataka.gov.in



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Chief Secretary and Chairman,
State Executive Committee,

Karnataka State Disaster Management Authority.

National Directives for COVID-19 Management

The National Directives shall be enforced by the District Magistrate through fines and penal action as prescribed in the Disaster Management Act 2005.

PUBLIC SPACES

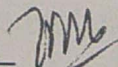
1. Wearing of face cover is compulsory in all public places, work places.
2. All persons in charge of public places, work places and transport shall ensure social distancing as per the guidelines issued by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.
3. No organization /manager of public place shall allow gathering of 5 or more persons
4. Gatherings such as marriages and funerals shall remain regulated by the District Magistrate.
5. Spitting in public spaces shall be punishable with fine.
6. There should be strict ban on sale of liquor, gutka, tobacco etc. and spitting should be strictly prohibited.

WORK SPACES

7. All work places shall have adequate arrangements for temperature screening and provide sanitizers at convenient places.
8. Work places shall have a gap of one hour between shifts and will stagger the lunch breaks of staff, to ensure social distancing.
9. Persons above 65 years of age and persons with co-morbidities and parents of children below the age of 5 may be encouraged to work from home.
10. Use of Arogya setu will be encouraged for all employees both private and public.
11. All organizations shall sanitize their work places between shifts.
12. Large meetings to be prohibited.

MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENTS

13. Frequent cleaning of common surfaces and mandatory hand washing shall be mandated.
14. No overlap of shifts and staggered lunch with social distancing in canteens shall be ensured.
15. Intensive communication and training on good hygiene practices shall be taken up.

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Standard Operating Procedure for Social Distancing for Offices, Workplace, Factories and Establishments

The following measures shall be implemented by all offices, factories and other establishments:

1. All areas in the premises including the following shall be disinfected completely using user friendly disinfectant mediums:
 - a. Entrance Gate of building, office etc.
 - b. Cafeteria and canteens.
 - c. Meeting room, Conference halls/ open areas available/ verandah/ entrance gate of site, bunkers, porta cabins, building etc.
 - d. Equipment and lifts.
 - e. Washroom, toilet, sink; water points etc.
 - f. Walls/ all other surfaces
2. For workers coming from outside, special transportation facility will be arranged without any dependency on the public transport system. These vehicles should be allowed to work only with 30-40% passenger capacity.
3. All vehicles and machinery entering the premise should be disinfected by spray mandatorily.
4. Mandatory thermal scanning of everyone entering and exiting the work place to be done.
5. Medical insurance for the workers to be made mandatory.
6. Provision for hand wash & sanitizer preferably with touch free mechanism will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas. Sufficient quantities of all the items should be available.
7. Work places shall have a gap of one hour between shifts and will stagger the lunch breaks of staff, to ensure social distancing.
8. Large gatherings or meetings of 10 or more people to be discouraged. Seating at least 6 feet away from others on job sites and in gatherings, meetings and training sessions.
9. Not more than 2/4 persons (depending on size) will be allowed to travel in lifts or hoists.
10. Use of staircase for climbing should be encouraged.
11. There should be strict ban of gutka, tobacco etc. and spitting should be strictly prohibited.
12. There should be total ban on non-essential visitors at sites.
13. Hospitals/clinics in the nearby areas, which are authorized to treat COVID-19 patients, should be identified and list should be available at work place all the times.

Offences and Penalties for Violation of Lockdown Measures

A. Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005

51. Punishment for obstruction, etc.—Whoever, without reasonable cause

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(a) obstructs any officer or employee of the Central Government or the State Government, or a person authorised by the National Authority or State Authority or District Authority in the discharge of his functions under this Act; or

(b) refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the Central Government or the State Government or the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority under this Act,

shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine, or with both, and if such obstruction or refusal to comply with directions results in loss of lives or imminent danger thereof, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.

52. Punishment for false claim.—Whoever knowingly makes a claim which he knows or has reason to believe to be false for obtaining any relief, assistance, repair, reconstruction or other benefits consequent to disaster from any officer of the Central Government, the State Government, the National Authority, the State Authority or the District Authority, shall, on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

53. Punishment for misappropriation of money or materials, etc.—Whoever, being entrusted with any money or materials, or otherwise being, in custody of, or dominion over, any money or goods, meant for providing relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster, misappropriates or appropriates for his own use or disposes of such money or materials or any part thereof or wilfully compels any other person so to do, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

54. Punishment for false warning.—Whoever makes or circulates a false alarm or warning as to disaster or its severity or magnitude, leading to panic, shall on conviction, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine.

55. Offences by Departments of the Government.—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by any Department of the Government, the head of the Department shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a Department of the Government and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any officer, other than the head of the Department, such officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

56. Failure of officer in duty or his connivance at the contravention of the provisions of this Act.—Any officer, on whom any duty has been imposed by or under this Act and who ceases or refuses to perform or withdraws himself from the duties of his office shall, unless he has obtained the express written permission of his official superior or has other lawful excuse for so doing, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine.

57. Penalty for contravention of any order regarding requisitioning.—If any person contravenes any order made under section 65, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

58. Offence by companies.—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company or body corporate, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly: Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence. (2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, and it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also, be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this section— (a) “company” means any body corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and (b) “director”, in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

59. Previous sanction for prosecution.—No prosecution for offences punishable under sections 55 and 56 shall be instituted except with the previous sanction of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, or of any officer authorised in this behalf, by general or special order, by such Government.

60. Cognizance of offences.—No court shall take cognizance of an offence under this Act except on a complaint made by— (a) the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be; or (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the

alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised as aforesaid.


B. Section 188 in the Indian Penal Code, 1860

188. Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant.—Whoever, knowing that, by an order promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, he is directed to abstain from a certain act, or to take certain order with certain property in his possession or under his management, disobeys such direction, shall, if such disobedience causes or tends to cause obstruction, annoyance or injury, or risk of obstruction, annoyance or injury, to any person lawfully employed, be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both; and if such disobedience causes or trends to cause danger to human life, health or safety, or causes or tends to cause a riot or affray, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

Explanation.—It is not necessary that the offender should intend to produce harm, or contemplate his disobedience as likely to produce harm. It is sufficient that he knows of the order which he disobeys, and that his disobedience produces, or is likely to produce, harm.

Illustration

An order is promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, directing that a religious procession shall not pass down a certain street. A knowingly disobeys the order, and thereby causes danger of riot. A has committed the offence defined in this section.





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ADDENDUM-2

In continuation of the Government order No. RD 158 TNR 2020, dated 22-04-2020, and in exercise of powers conferred under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, hereby orders to include the following in the consolidated revised guidelines for strict implementation by Departments, District Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police, BBMP, Police Commissioners and other Heads of Departments.

1. Sub-clause (viii), (ix), (x) & (xi) under Clause 6 'A' on All Agricultural and horticultural activities:
 - viii. Collection, harvesting and processing of Minor Forest Produce (MFP)/Non Timber Forest Produce (NTFP) by Scheduled Tribes and other forest dwellers in forest areas.
 - ix. Facilities for export/import such as Pack houses, inspection and treatment facilities for seeds and horticulture produce.
 - x. Research Establishments dealing with the agriculture and horticulture activities.
 - xi. Inter and intra State movement of planting materials and honey bee colonies, honey and other beehive products.
2. Sub-clause (iii) under Clause 6 'C' on Plantations:
 - iii. Bamboo, Coconut, Arecanut, Cocoa, spices plantation and their harvesting, processing, packaging, sale and marketing.

3. Sub-clause (v) & (vi) under Clause 7 on Financial Sector:
 - v. Non-Banking financial institutions (NBFCs) including Housing Finance Companies (HFCs) and Micro Finance Institutions (NBFC-MFIs) *with bare minimum staff.*
 - vi. Cooperative Credit Societies.
4. Sub-clause (xi) and (xii) under Clause 14 on Commercial and private establishments:
 - xi. Shops of educational books for students.
 - xii. Shops of electric fans.
5. Clause 16 (i) on construction activities in rural areas, includes, water supply and sanitation; laying/erection of power transmission lines and laying of telecom optical fiber and cable along with related activities.
6. Clause 16 (ii) includes construction activities in urban areas where workers are available on site and no workers are required to be brought in from outside (*in situ construction only*).
7. Sub-clause (iii) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons:
 - iii. Sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose as per attached Standard Operating Protocol (SOP)
8. Clause 19 (v) on Forest offices includes forestry plantation and related activities, including Silviculture operations.

Clarification with respect to scope of certain activities which are already in exempted category

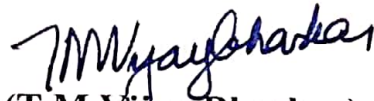
Moreover, clarification on scope of certain activities with regard to exemptions of specific services/activities **within the categories already allowed** in the aforementioned guidelines is as follows:

- a. Social sector under clause 8 (i) include bed side attendants and care givers of senior citizens residing in their homes.



- b. Public utilities under clause 11 (v) include recharge facilities for prepaid mobile connections.
- c. Supply of essential goods under clause 13 (i) include food processing units such as bread factories, milk processing plants, flour mills, dal mills etc., located in urban areas.
- d. Supply of essential goods under clause 13 (ii) include dry fruits, ice cream (only take away), juice shops (only take away).

However, as specified in the lockdown measures, National COVID-19 Directives and Standard Operating Procedure for social distancing for offices, workshops, factories and establishments as set out in the Annexure I and Annexure II of guidelines must be ensured.



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Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose

[As per Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 21st April, 2020]

Change of crew of ship (seafarers) is an important measure for operation of merchant ships. This SoP has been formulated to streamline the sign-on/sign-off of Indian Seafarer at Indian Ports for merchant shipping vessels. The following guidelines may be followed:

I. For Sign-on

- i. Ship owner/ Recruitment and Placement Service (RPS) agency will identify the Indian seafarers for joining a vessel.
- ii. The seafarers will intimate their travel and contact history for last 28 days to the ship owner /RPS agency by email, as per procedure laid down by Director General of Shipping (DGS).
- iii. The seafarer would be examined by a DGS approved medical examiner, as per the guidelines prescribed for this purpose. At the same time, the seafarer shall also be screened, and his travel and contact history examined for the last 28 days; seafarers found to be asymptomatic for COVID-19 and otherwise suitable may be processed for sign-on.
- iv. The local authority in the area where the seafarer resides will be intimated about his clearance for sign-on and for issue of a transit pass from the place of residence to the place of embarkation on the shipping vessel.
- v. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the seafarer resides.
- vi. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/ Union Territory along the transit route.
- vii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol, would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.
- viii. At the port of embarkation, the seafarer shall be tested for COVID-19; the seafarer would be ready for sign-on only if the COVID-19 test is negative, failing which, action as per guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) would be taken.

II. For Sign-off

- i. The master of a vessel, coming from any foreign port, or a coastal vessel from any Indian port, while arriving at its port of call in India, shall ascertain the state of health of each person on board the vessel and submit the Maritime Declaration of Health to the health authorities of the port and to the port authorities. In addition, the information required by the local health authorities of the port, like temperature chart, individual health declaration, etc. shall also be provided by the master as per the directives of the health

- authorities of the port. Port health authorities shall grant pratique to the vessel prior to berthing as per necessary health protocols.
- ii. The Indian seafarer arriving on the vessel would undergo the COVID-19 test for confirmation that he/ she is negative for COVID-19. After disembarking and till the time the seafarer reaches the testing facility, within the port premises, it will be ensured by the ship owner that all safety precautions as per standard health protocol are observed.
 - iii. Till the time test reports of the seafarer are received, the seafarer shall be kept in the quarantine facility by the Port/ State Health Authorities.
 - iv. If the seafarer is tested as positive for COVID-19, he/ she will be dealt with as per the procedures laid down by MoHFW.
 - v. For the seafarer tested negative and signed off, the Local Authority in the area where the seafarer disembarks will be intimated about his/ her clearance for sign-off, and for issue of a transit pass from the place of disembarkation to the place of his/ her residence.
 - vi. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the seafarer disembarks.
 - vii. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/ Union Territory along the transit route.
 - viii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol, would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.

Note: DG (Shipping) will prescribe the detailed protocol with regard to sign-on and sign-off to be followed in the above cases.

