

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

No. 1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2020/42

Dated: 18.05.2020

ORDER

Sub: DRDM – COVID-19 – Revised guidelines for enforcement of extended Lock Down Measures- Reg.

Ref: i. The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897
ii. The Disaster Management Act, 2005
iii. G.O.Ms.No. 03/2020 dated 23.03.2020 of the Department of Revenue & Disaster Management, Puducherry.
iv. Order No.1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2020/25 Dated: 3rd May 2020
v. Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 17.05.2020 of Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India.

The Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) situation, which has been declared as a Disaster under the provision of Disaster Management Act, 2005, has prompted this Administration to take several preventive measures involving all line departments. The Administration has been issuing various orders and instructions to restrict the movement of people and ensure essential services / activities.

2. Now, in pursuance of the Order and Guidelines issued by Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India vide reference cited above, revised lock down measures will continue to be implemented in the UT of Puducherry for a further period of two weeks with effect from 18th May 2020.

4. Accordingly, the Standard Operating Procedure for implementation of lock down measures has been revised as per the guidelines annexed to this order.


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To

1. The Chief Secretary to Government, Puducherry
2. The Development Commissioner, Puducherry.
3. The Director General of Police, Puducherry
4. All Secretaries, Govt. of Puducherry.
5. The District Collector, Puducherry, Karaikal
6. The Regional Administrator, Mahe / Yanam
7. All Head of Departments, Puducherry
8. The Sub Divisional Magistrate, North/South
9. The Sr. Superintendent of Police (Law & Order), Pdy.
10. The Commissioners, All Municipalities
11. The Tahsildar, All Taluk Offices
12. The Commissioners – All Commune Panchayats.

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1. The P.S. to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Puducherry | for kind
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ANNEXURE

Revised Guidelines for containment of COVID-19 in Puducherry (Order No. 1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2020/42 dated: 18.05.2020)

1. Lockdown shall continue to remain in force upto 31st May, 2020.
2. **The following activities shall continue to remain prohibited:**
 - i. All domestic and international air travel of passengers, except for medical services, air ambulance and for security purposes or for purposes as permitted by MHA.
 - ii. Inter-State Buses for public transport, except for medical and movement of migrant labours.
 - iii. Inter-State movement of individuals except for medical reasons or for activities as permitted by MHA.
 - iv. All schools, colleges, educational/ training/ coaching institutions etc. However, online/ distance learning shall be permitted.
 - v. Hotels, restaurants and other hospitality services, except those meant for housing health/ police/ Government officials/ healthcare workers/ stranded persons including tourists and for quarantine facilities; and running of canteens at bus depots, railway stations and airports. Restaurants shall be permitted to operate kitchens for home delivery of food items.
 - vi. All cinema halls, shopping malls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places. Sports complexes and stadia will be permitted to open; however, spectators will not be allowed.
 - vii. All social/ political/ sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions/ other gatherings.
 - viii. All religious places/ places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.
3. **The following activities shall be permitted with restrictions, except in the Containment Zones:**
 - i) With regard to Inter and Intra state movement of Buses and passenger vehicles separate order would be issued.
 - ii) Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for movement of persons, as mentioned in Annexure I, shall continue to operate.
4. **National Directives for COVID-19 Management**

National Directives for COVID 19 Management, as specified in Annexure II, shall be followed throughout the country.
5. **Containment, Buffer, Red, Green and Orange Zones**
 - i. The delineation of Red, Green and Orange Zones will be decided after taking into consideration the parameters shared by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India (GoI).
 - ii. Within the Orange Zones, Containment Zones and Buffer Zones will be demarcated by the District authorities, after taking into consideration the guidelines of MoHFW.
 - iii. In the Containment Zones, only essential activities shall be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining

supply of essential goods and services. Guidelines of MoHFW shall be taken into consideration for the above purpose.

- iv. In the Containment Zones, there shall be intensive contact tracing, house-to-house surveillance, and other clinical interventions, as required.

6. Night curfew

The movement of individuals shall remain strictly prohibited between 7.00 pm to 7.00 am, except for essential activities.

7. Protection of vulnerable persons

Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years, shall stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

- 8. All other activities will be permitted, except those which are specifically prohibited.**

However, in Containment Zones, only essential activities shall be allowed, as mentioned in para 5 (iii) above.

9. Use of Aarogya Setu

- i. *Aarogya Setu* enables early identification of potential risk of infection, and thus acts as a shield for individuals and the community.

- ii. With a view to ensuring safety in offices and work places, employers on best effort basis should ensure that *Aarogya Setu* is installed by all employees having compatible mobile phones.

- iii. District authorities may advise individuals to install the *Aarogya Setu* application on compatible mobile phones and regularly update their health status on the app. This will facilitate timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.

10. Special directions to ensure movement of persons and goods in certain cases

- i. All inter-State and intra-State movement of medical professionals, nurses and para medical staff, sanitation personnel and ambulances, are allowed without any restriction. However they shall bear valid ID card for verification at border check post.

- ii. All inter-State movement of all types of goods/ cargo, including empty trucks are allowed without restriction.

11. Strict enforcement of the guidelines

- i. All the District Magistrates shall strictly enforce the above measures.

- ii. In order to implement these measures, the District Magistrates will deploy Executive Magistrates as Incident Commanders in the respective local jurisdictions. The Incident Commander will be responsible for the overall implementation of these measures in their respective jurisdictions.

12. Penal provisions

Any person violating these 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


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Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) issued by MHA

- i. SOP on transit arrangement for foreign national(s) in India issued vide Order dated April 02, 2020.
- ii. SOP on movement of stranded labour within States/ UTs, issued vide Order dated April 19, 2020.
- iii. SOP on sign-on and sign-off of Indian seafarers, issued vide Order dated April 21, 2020.
- iv. SOP on movement of stranded migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons, issued vide Order dated April 29, 2020 and Order dated May 01, 2020.
- v. SOP on movement of Indian Nationals stranded outside the country and of specified persons to travel abroad, issued vide Order dated May 5, 2020.
- vi. SOP on movement of persons by train, issued vide Order dated May 11, 2020.

National Directives for COVID 19 Management

- i. Wearing of face cover is compulsory in all public and work places.
- ii. Spitting in public & work places shall be punishable with fine, as prescribed by Local Administration Department, Puducherry.
- iii. Social distancing shall be followed by all persons in public places and in transport.
- iv. Marriage related gathering shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum number of guests allowed shall not be more than 50.
- v. Funeral/ last rites related gathering shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum numbers allowed shall not be more than 20.
- vi. Consumption of liquor, *paan*, *gutka*, tobacco etc. in public places is not allowed.
- vii. Shops will ensure minimum six feet distance (*2 gaz ki doori*) among customers and shall not allow more than 5 persons at the shop.

Additional directives for Work Places

- viii. As far as possible, the practice of work from home should be followed.
- ix. Staggering of work/ business hours shall be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
- X. Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas.
- xi. Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc., shall be ensured, including between shifts.
- Xii. All persons in charge of work places shall ensure social distancing through adequate distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.