ABSTRACT

Disaster Management Act, 2005 – COVID-19 – Lockdown extended in the territorial jurisdictions of the State of Tamil Nadu with existing guidelines and certain relaxations upto 06.00 A.M. of 15.09.2021 - Notification – Issued.

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT (DM-IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.541 **Dated: 31.08.2021**
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திருவள்ளுவர் ஆண்டு 2052,

Read:

1. Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India Order No.40-3/2020-DM-1(A), dated 25.03.2020 & 28.08.2021.
2. G.O.(Ms).No.522, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV), Department, dated 21.08.2021.
3. Hon'ble Chief Minister's Press Release No.665, dated 30.08.2021.
4. From the Additional Chief Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration Lr.No.OC-I/563/2020, dated 30.08.2021.

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ORDER:-

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS on considering the prevailing Covid-19 pandemic scenario and as per the directives of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, State-wide lockdown was enforced throughout the State **with effect from 4.00 A.M. of 10.05.2021 to 6.00 A.M. of 06.09.2021**, in order to control the spread of COVID-19.

2) Now, Hon'ble Chief Minister has conducted review meeting to evaluate the Corona prevention activities, necessity of providing vaccination to all, spread of corona virus in neighbouring state and its impact in certain districts and actions need to be taken in this regard. Based on the above review meeting, the Government hereby order, under Disaster Management Act, 2005 to extend the restrictions **upto 06.00 A.M. on 15.09.2021** with the following instructions:-

a) Public gathering in all beaches is prohibited on Sundays with effect from 05.09.2021.

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b) As already ordered, public worship shall not be permitted on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays in all religious places and places of worship. All religious festivals, consecration etc., stand prohibited.

c) The District Collectors and Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation shall take necessary steps to impose localized restrictions in order to control the spread of the corona virus.

d) Students coming from Kerala should have been vaccinated with two doses and shall also carry a negative report (RTPCR) for Covid-19. The concerned College Administration shall ensure this.

Relaxation

e) Based on the opinion of the medical experts and educationalists, conduct of classes for 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th standards and Colleges are permitted from 01.09.2021 onwards by duly following the Standard Operating Procedures. **In continuation to this, all Government, Private School and College hostels are also permitted to function by following the Standard Operating Procedures.**

f) **All Men/Women working hostels are also permitted to function by following the Standard Operating Procedure.**

g) The concerned Hostel managements shall ensure that the Warden and all other staff, employees of the above said hostels are vaccinated.

General

The Administration concerned of all Establishments/ Organizations/Industries which are permitted to function should ensure that their employees are vaccinated. To ensure smooth functioning of the socio-economic activity, the District Collectors/ Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation and Public Health department are requested to prioritize the vaccination programme for all Teaching Staff of Schools and Colleges, Industrial and Commercial Institutions, Small Vendors, Bank and Government Staff.

i) All shops and public gathering places should adhere to the following important Standard Operating Procedures.

- Shops shall have mandatory hand hygiene (hand sanitizer with dispenser) at the entrance.
- **Management shall ensure that the workers and customers wear face masks compulsorily.**
- All shops and establishments shall ensure that the doors and windows are kept open for cross ventilation. In order to ensure social distancing norms, more number of persons shall not be allowed at a time inside the shops.

- Specific markings with sufficient distance may be made at the entrance of the shops to manage the general public standing in the queue.
- Action will be taken against the commercial/other organizations which violate the above guidelines and prescribed limit of customers.

ii) 'Test- Track- Treat- Vaccination-Covid-19 appropriate behaviour' principle shall be strictly adhered to.

iii) In order to contain the spread of Covid-19, the Containment Zones shall be demarcated upto Micro Level and the containment measures including vaccination to the people in this area shall be initiated by the District Collectors and the Local Bodies as per the Standard Operating Procedures.

iv) Within the demarcated Containment Zones, containment measures shall be scrupulously followed, as under:

- Only essential activities shall be allowed in the Containment Zones. No activity, except medical emergencies and supply of essential goods and services shall be permitted.
- There shall be intensive house-to-house surveillance by surveillance teams formed for the purpose.

3. The public are also requested to seek medical advice of the nearest hospital as soon as symptoms of infection appear.

4. Schools and Colleges have been permitted to function taking into consideration the interest of students' education and psychological well-being. Considering this fact, parents and teachers are requested to ensure that the students are wearing mask, maintaining social distance and following the Standard Operating Procedures.

5. Public are advised to get themselves vaccinated and to extend full co-operation to the Government's preventive efforts in order to eliminate spread of Corona infection is in our state.

6. The Government also orders that no activities shall be permitted in the **Containment Zones**.

7. The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation/ District Collectors and Commissioners of Police/ Superintendents of Police concerned shall take all necessary measures for the strict enforcement of National Directives for Covid-19 management viz., **wearing of face masks, hand hygiene and social distancing, screening & hygiene, frequent sanitization of entire workplace etc.,** and adherence of the Standard Operating Procedures issued for the permitted activities. The Commissioner, Greater

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Chennai Corporation/ District Collectors concerned may initiate penal action for imposing fines on persons violating the National Directives.

8. 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 Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

(By Order of the Governor)

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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