



ABSTRACT

Disaster Management Act, 2005 – COVID-19 – Infection prevention and control – Continuance of Lockdown with Certain relaxation and restrictions - Notification – Issued.

Revenue and Disaster Management [D.M.IV] Department

G.O.(Ms) No.658

Dated: 20.10.2021

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2052.

Read:

1. Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India Order No.40-3/2020-DM-1(A), dated 25.03.2020 & 28.09.2021.
2. G.O.(Ms).No.552, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV), Department, dated 11.09.2021.
3. G.O.(Ms).No.631, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV), Department, dated 05.10.2021.
4. Hon'ble Chief Minister's Press Release No.884, dated 14.10.2021.
5. From the Additional Chief Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration Lr.No.OC-I/563/2020, dated 14.10.2021.

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/restrictions was enforced throughout the State **with effect from 4.00 A.M. of 10.05.2021 to 31.10.2021**, in order to control the spread of COVID-19.

2. The Hon'ble Chief Minister has conducted review meeting with officers to evaluate the Corona prevention activities, Spread of corona virus in neighbouring states and measures to be taken to control the spread of Corona infection and also taken into account the direction issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Union Government regarding the possibility of Corona spread due to gathering of public during these upcoming festivals.

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3. Now, based on the above review meeting, under Disaster Management Act, 2005 the Government hereby order the following:-

The following activities are permitted with effect from 14.10.2021

- All Shops, Hotels and Bakeries shall be permitted to operate till 11.00 p.m.
- Public worship in religious places are permitted on all days including Friday, Saturday, and Sunday.
- All Private tuition centres.
- All Government and Private employment camps and job fair by following SOP.

The following activities are permitted with effect from 01.11.2021

- Monthly Mass contact programmes conducted by the District Administration.
- Private Exhibitions by following SOP.
- Anganwadi activities, All staff including the in-charge and cook should be vaccinated.
- Permission to Public in Beaches on Sundays.
- Marriage related gathering – Number of guests not to exceed 100.
- Funeral/ last rites related gathering – Number of persons not to exceed 50.

Decision regarding Play schools and Nursery schools (L.K.G., U.K.G.) will be intimated later.

All allowed activities in existence shall continue to be permitted with existing restrictions.

Public gatherings in religious festivals/consecrations, political, socio-cultural and religion related congregation, which were already prohibited, will continue to be prohibited.

General

- i) The following important Standard Operating Procedures shall be strictly adhered to all the shops and places of Public gathering:-
 - Shops shall have mandatory hand hygiene (hand sanitizer with dispenser), Thermal screening 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.

4. The District Administration, Greater Chennai Corporation and local bodies requested to take all necessary actions to prevent large public gathering in public places during the festival seasons.

5. The public are requested to be careful and avoid moving to crowded places and to wear face mask and maintain social distance without fail during the upcoming festival season by following preventive measures. All commercial establishment are also requested to follow the preventive measure without any lapses.

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

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 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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20.10.2021
Section Officer