GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

No. F.DDMA/2/COVID-19/2020/ 270

Dated: 27.07.2020

To,

All the District Magistrates /
Chairperson, District Disaster Management Authorities,
GNCT of Delhi

Sub:- Celebration of Festivals in the forthcoming season- Regarding.

Sir.

As you are aware that in the forthcoming season, a number of festivals will be celebrated by the residents of Delhi. It can be reasonably concluded that there is a possibility of large gatherings/congregations in quite a few of these forthcoming festivals. Various steps are, therefore, required to be taken by the District Disaster Management Authorities (District DMAs) in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic.

- 2. It is, therefore, imperative that the District Disaster Management Authorities may convene meetings with the Community / Religious Leaders before every such festival/occasion which has the possibility of large gatherings / congregation and sensitize the people accordingly through their community leaders, apart from various other awareness generation modes.
- 3. At the same time, to ensure that the COVID-19 cases do not rise during festivals, District DMAs and other authorities concerned may resort to imposing fines in case of non-compliance of various directives issued by Govt. of India and GNCT of Delhi from time to time, as authorized vide notification dated 13.06.2020 issued by Health & Family Welfare.
- 4. Also, I am directed to request District DMAs to be more vigilant during these festivals and exercise their authority and take appropriate punitive action against the offenders. The objective of combating and containing COVID-19 remains paramount.
- 5. This issues with the approval of Chief Secretary, Delhi.

Yours faithfully,

SPL. CEO, DDMA

Copy for kind information to:-

- 1. Pr. Secretary to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Delhi
- 2. Addl. Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, GNCTD
- 3. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Revenue, GNCTD
- 4. Commissioner of Police, Delhi.
- 5. Guard file.

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NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the COVID-19 outbreak has been notified as a "Disaster" for being a critical medical condition and pandemic situation under the "Disaster Management Act, 2005."

And whereas the Delhi Disaster Management Authority has issued detailed guidelines from time to time to contain the spread of COVID-19,

And whereas, instances have come to notice that above guidelines are not being followed in their letter and spirit,

And whereas, rising numbers of COVID-19 cases in NCT of Delhi warrant stricter compliance with the Various directives issued by the Central Government. and the Government. of NCT of Delhi from time to time, pursuant to guidelines of National Disaster Management Authority and the Delhi Disaster Management Authority;

And whereas, to enforce these directives, it has now become imperative to impose penalties by way of fines for a deterrent effect;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 2 of The Epidemic Disease Act, 1897 and also in view of the guidelines issued by Delhi Disaster Management Authority, Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Delhi is pleased to issue the following regulations:

- 1. These regulations shall be called The Delhi Epidemic Diseases, (Management of COVID-19) Regulations, 2020.
- 2. "Epidemic Disease" in these regulations shall mean COVID-19 (Corona Virus Disease 2019)
- 3. "Authorised Persons" under this Act shall and include
 - a. Secretary (Health & FW), GNCTD;
 - b. Director General Health Services (DGHS), GNCTD;
 - c. District Magistrate,
 - d. Chief District Medical Officer (CDMO),
 - e. Sub Divisional Magistrate (SDM) and District Surveillance Officer (DSO);
 - f. And such officers as may be authorized by Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government. of NCT of Delhi, District Magistrates and Zonal Deputy Commissioners of respective Municipal Corporations of Delhi;
 - g. And the officers of the rank of Sub Inspector and above of Delhi Police.
 - h. The above Authorized Persons shall be empowered to impose a fine of Rs. 500 for the first time and a further fine of Rs. 1000/- for the repeated offence, respectively for violating the directives/guidelines pertaining to the following:-

(contd...2/-)

a. Observation of quarantine rules

b. Maintaining of social distancing.

c. Wearing of Face mask/cover in all public places /workplaces.

d. Prohibition of spitting in public places.

- e. Prohibition on consumption of paan, gutka, tobacco etc in public places.
- 5. In case any person fails to pay the penalty on the spot, action under Section188 IPC shall be taken against him by the authorised police officer on receipt of a complaint from any Authorised Persons or on his own.
- 6. Protection to Authorized Persons under the Act: No legal suit or proceedings shall lie against the Authorized Persons for anything done or intended to be done in good faith for ensuring the stricter compliance under these regulations unless proved malafide/otherwise.
- 7. These regulations shall come into force immediately and shall remain valid for a period of one year from the date of publication of this notification.

By order and in the name of Lt. Governor of National Capital Territory of Delhi

Deputy Secretary (H&FW)

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- 8. OSD to Hon'ble Minister of Health
- 9. OSD to Chief Secretary, Govt. of Delhi
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- 11. Secretary (GAD), Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- 12. Director General Health Services, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi-32
- 13. All the District Magistrates, Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- 14. Director, Directorate of Family Welfare, GNCT of Delhi, New Delhi
- 15. All MSs/Directors of all Hospitals under Govt. of NCT of Delhi
- 16. All Chief District Medical Officers, Govt. of NCT of Delhi

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