

GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI
DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

No. F.DDMA/COVID/2020/1/ 286

Dated: 14.08.2020

ORDER

Whereas, the Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) is satisfied that the NCT of Delhi is threatened with the spread of COVID-19 epidemic, which has already been declared as a pandemic by the World Health Organization, and has considered it necessary to take effective measures to prevent its spread in NCT of Delhi;

And whereas, Delhi Disaster Management Authority has issued various orders/instructions from time to time to all authorities concerned to take all required measures to appropriately deal with the situation;

And whereas, Delhi Disaster Management Authority had issued specific instructions, on account of possibility of large gatherings / congregations during forthcoming festivals, vide letter No. 270 dated 27.07.2020, to the District Disaster Management Authorities/ District Magistrates of Delhi for taking necessary steps in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic (copy enclosed);

And whereas, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India vide DO letter dated 28.07.2020 has conveyed that while efforts are being made by State Governments to prevent large religious gatherings and other religious programmes, violation of guidelines have been observed. This DO letter has been endorsed to all authorities concerned for taking necessary action in this regard.

And whereas, to deal with the forthcoming festival seasons appropriately, it is considered imperative to issue detailed instructions with regard to measures to be taken by all authorities concerned;

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under section 22 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee, DDMA, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, hereby directs all authorities/field functionaries concerned to ensure compliance of the following:

- 1) All Instructions/Guidelines issued by Govt. of India / Govt. of NCT of Delhi from time to time to contain the spread of COVID-19 be complied strictly in letter & spirit.
- 2) During Ganesh Chaturthi Festival, no idol of Lord Ganesha shall be set up in the Tent/panda / public place, nor any kind of permission shall be granted for procession. People shall be encouraged and advised to celebrate the festival at their home only at this time of COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 3) Similarly, no permission shall be granted for procession/Tajiya during Moharram Festival and the public shall be encouraged / advised to celebrate the same at their homes and not at public places at this time of COVID-19 Pandemic.
- 4) District Magistrates and District DCPs shall convene meetings with religious / community leaders before every such festival/occasion which has the possibility of large gathering / congregation, to get their cooperation to maintain the law & order and harmony & also to sensitize public for compliance of guidelines/ instructions issued for combating COVID-19 by Government from time to time.
- 5) Sufficient police force shall be deployed in all communally sensitive areas and in containment zones throughout the NCT of Delhi.

- 6) It should be ensured that crowd does not gather in any religious/ social place in any manner.
- 7) All necessary arrangements be made for checking during the festivals at all public places, Bus Stands, Railway Stations and sensitive/religious places in NCT of Delhi.
- 8) Due arrangements be made for deployment of Dog Squads, Anti Terrorist Squads and Bomb disposal Teams for intensive search and checking at religious / public places as per requirement.
- 9) Smooth & uninterrupted traffic at roads and public places be ensured. Necessary arrangements be made for checking of suspicious vehicles by erecting barricades and police check post(s) etc.
- 10) Strict compliance of Motor Vehicle Act be ensured during the festival time.
- 11) Sufficient emphasis should be made on providing important public facilities like electricity, water and hygiene/ cleanliness/ sanitization etc.
- 12) All the Government Hospitals shall be prepared in advance to deal with any emergent situation and doctors/ para-medical staff shall be on duty round the clock.
- 13) Special attention shall be given to anti-social elements and rumour mongers.
- 14) Monitoring of social media platforms shall be done round the clock. Prompt action shall be taken against all objectionable posts by first blocking it and thereafter taking strict legal action.
- 15) Section 144 (CrPC) shall be imposed wherever required, and police authorities shall ensure implementation of the same.
- 16) There shall not be any demonstration of weapons/ arms in any form. Strict legal action be taken against the person(s) found in possession of illegal weapon/arms.
- 17) All necessary arrangements be made to ensure safety of women, children & senior citizens etc and sufficient police deployment (male & female police personnel) be made in civil dress at all public places.
- 18) All empowered authorities may resort to imposing fines for violating the directives/guidelines & offences pertaining to social distancing, wearing of mask/ cover, spitting in public places etc. as per Notification dated 13.06.2020 issued by Health & Family Welfare Department.
- 19) All enforcement authorities/ field functionaries should be properly briefed about strict implementation of the guidelines/ instructions, one day before every festival / event.

All authorities concerned including District Magistrates and District Dy. Commissioners of Police are directed to ensure compliance of aforesaid directives on ground in letter and spirit.


(Vijay Dev) 11/8/20

Chief Secretary, Delhi

Copy for compliance to:

1. All Additional Chief Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries/ Secretaries/ HODs of Government of NCT/ Autonomous Bodies / PSUs / Corporations / Local Bodies.
2. Commissioner of Police, Delhi.
3. Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council.

4. Pr. Secretary (I&P) for wide publicity in NCT of Delhi.
5. Pr. Secretary (Health & Family Welfare), GNCT of Delhi
6. Pr. Secretary (Revenue-cum-Divisional Commissioner), GNCTD
7. Secretary (Power), GNCTD
8. Commissioner (South DMC/East DMC/North DMC).
9. CEO, Delhi Jal Board, GNCTD
10. CEO, Delhi Cantonment Board.
11. All District Magistrates, Delhi.
12. All District Deputy Commissioners of Police, Delhi.

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 Dy. Chief Minister, GNCTD
4. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Health, GNCTD
5. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Revenue, GNCTD
6. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Labour, GNCTD
7. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Social Welfare, GNCTD
8. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Food & Supply, GNCTD
9. Pr. Secretary (Home), GNCTD
10. Pr. Secretary (Revenue-cum-Divisional Commissioner), GNCTD
11. Pr. Secretary (UD), GNCTD
12. All members of State Executive Committee, DDMA, GNCTD
13. System Analyst, O/o Divisional Commissioner, Delhi for uploading of the order on website – ddma.delhigovt.nic.in
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