

**GOVERNMENT OF NCT OF DELHI
DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY**

No. F.1/DDMA/COVID/2020/340

Dated: 02.10.2020

To,

1. All Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries/HODs of Government of NCT of Delhi / Autonomous Bodies / PSUs / Corporations / Local Bodies.
2. Commissioner of Police, Delhi.
3. Chairman, New Delhi Municipal Council.
4. Pr. Secretary (Health & Family Welfare), GNCT of Delhi
5. Commissioner (South DMC/East DMC/North DMC)
6. CEO, Delhi Cantonment Board.
7. All District Magistrates of GNCT of Delhi
8. All District DCPs of Delhi

Sub: D.O. letter dated 27.10.2020 of Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India with regard to compliance of guidelines and other issues relating to COVID-19 pandemic.

Sir,

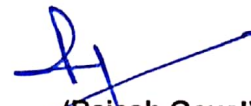
Please find enclosed herewith DO letter No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 27.10.2020 received from Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, addressed to Chief Secretary, whereby it has been desired to draw attention for compliance of guidelines/instructions issued by Govt. of India with regard to adopting COVID appropriate behaviour etc.

In this regard, I am directed to request you to kindly look into and ensure the compliance of issues highlighted in aforesaid D.O letter. Further, suitable directions may also be issued to all the officers concerned & field functionaries for strict compliance in this regard.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure: as above


(Rajesh Goyal)
Addl. CEO, DDMA

Copy for kind information to:-

1. 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. ACS (Services)/ Nodal Officer, GNCTD
10. Pr. Secretary (I&P), GNCT of Delhi
11. Pr. Secretary (Home), GNCTD
12. Pr. Secretary (Revenue)/Divisional Commissioner, GNCTD
13. Pr. Secretary (U.D), GNCTD
14. All members of State Executive Committee, DDMA, GNCTD
15. System Analyst, O/o Divisional Commissioner, Delhi for uploading of the order on website – ddma.delhigovt.nic.in
16. Guard file.

AJAY BHALLA, IAS



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Home Secretary
भारत सरकार
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D.O. No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A)

27th October, 2020

Dear Chief Secretary,

Kindly refer to Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA)'s Order of even number issued today whereby Guidelines for Re-opening dated 30.09.2020 have been extended upto 30.11.2020.

2. As you are aware, since the issuance of the first Order on lockdown measures by MHA on 24th March 2020, almost all activities have been gradually opened up in areas outside the Containment Zones. While most of the activities have been permitted, some activities involving large number of people, have been allowed with some restrictions and subject to SOPs being followed regarding health and safety precautions. These activities include - *metro rail; shopping malls; hotel, restaurants and hospitality services; religious places; yoga and training institutes; gymnasiums; cinemas; entertainment park etc.*

3. In respect of certain activities, having relatively higher degree of risk of COVID infection, State/ UT Governments have been permitted to take decisions for their re-opening, based on the assessment of the situation and subject to SOPs. These activities include - *schools and coaching institutes; State and private universities for research scholars; allowing gatherings above the limit of 100 etc.*

4. As emphasized during various interactions/ communications, the essence behind graded re-opening and progressive resumption of activities is to move ahead. However, it does not mean the end of the pandemic. There is a need to exercise abundant caution by adopting COVID-19 appropriate behaviour by every citizen in their daily routine. A '**Jan Andolan**' was launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister on 8th October 2020 on COVID-19 appropriate behavior to follow three mantras, namely, wearing face mask, washing hand frequently, and maintaining safe distance of 6 feet.

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5. However, it has been reported that during the ongoing festival season, people are ignoring the cardinal safety requirements, such as wearing face masks and maintaining physical distancing in various gatherings. Such behavior poses a serious threat to public health, at a time when the number of active cases in the country is witnessing a falling trend.

6. There is, therefore, an urgent need to instill a sense of discipline and ownership amongst citizens in order that the resumption of activities is successful and gains made in the management of the pandemic are not diluted. Accordingly, you should endeavour to promote COVID-19 appropriate behavior extensively at the grass root level and take measures to enforce the wearing of mask, hand hygiene and social distancing. Further State/ UT Governments should regulate various gatherings of people and strictly enforce the same as per their SOPs.

7. As emphasized in my earlier D.O. letters, States/Union Territories cannot dilute the guidelines issued by MHA under the Disaster Management Act 2005. It is reiterated that State/ UT Governments shall not impose any local lockdown, outside the containment zones, without prior consultation with the Central Government. Further there shall be no restriction on inter-State and intra-State movement of persons and goods including those for cross land-border trade under Treaties with neighbouring countries.

8. I would urge you to ensure compliance of the aforesaid Order and direct all concerned authorities for its strict implementation. Further, guidelines issued by MHA and consequent Orders issued by the respective State Governments/ UT Administration should be widely disseminated to the public and to the field functionaries for implementation.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Ajay Bhalla) 27/10/2020

To

The Chief Secretaries of all States.