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Part II—Section 2

Notifications or Orders of interest to a Section of the public issued by Secretariat Departments.

NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

COVID-19 - INCREASE IN NUMBER OF COVID-19 CASES - COMPLETE LOCKDOWN ENFORCED THROUGHOUT THE STATE FROM 04.00 A.M. ON 10-05-2021 TO 04.00 A.M. ON 24-05-2021 - FURTHER RESTRICTIONS - UNDER THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005.

> [G.O. Ms. No. 380, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV), 14th May 2021, Chithirai 31, Pilava, Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2052.]

No. II(2)/REVDM/ 315(a) /2021.

Whereas on considering the recommendations of the expert team of Doctors and Public Health specialists and based on the directives of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, State-wide complete lockdown has been enforced from 04.00 A.M on 10.05.2021 to 4:00 A.M. of 24.05.2021 under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 with certain relaxations along with guidelines issued in GO.Ms.No.371, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 8.5.2021.

2) In G.O. Ms. No. 377, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 12.5.2021, certain additional relaxations for fruit shops, permitting all Industries to carryout maintenance works with bare minimum staff on one day only and for the functioning of Indigenous Medicine Shop has been ordered.

3) In the press release of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, dated 14.05.2021, it has been stated that during the meeting held on 13.05.2021 with leaders of all legislature parties, measures to be taken to intensify the containment activities were discussed and resolutions were also passed, it has been further stated that based on the discussion held with Senior officials and Medical Experts today (14.05.2021) certain new restrictions have been imposed from 15.05.2021 to 24.05.2021.

4) In pursuant to the press release, dated 14.05.2021, the Additional Chief Secretary / Commissioner of Revenue Administration has requested the Government to issue necessary orders for enforcing the following new restrictions in addition to the restriction issued in G.O. Ms.No.371, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM IV), Department, Dated: 08.05.2021 and G.O. Ms.No.377, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM IV), Department, Dated: 12.05.2021.

I. New Restrictions:

i. Stand alone shops selling Provisions Vegetables, Meat and Fish which were permitted to function till 12.00 noon shall be permitted to function only from 06.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. without Air-conditioning facility. Further, maximum 50 percent customers at a time shall be allowed in these shops. E-commerce entities like Dunzo shall be permitted to deliver provisions, vegetable, meat and fish only from 06.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. All other shops, other than provision stores, vegetable shops, meat and fish stalls shall remain closed.

ii. ATM, Petrol/ Diesel Bunk shall function as usual.

iii. Medical shops and indigenous medicine stores (நாட்டு மருந்து கடை) shall be permitted to function as usual.

iv. General Public are advised to buy provisions vegetables from the shops near their houses and not to travel long distances for purchase of provisions and vegetables. General public will be prevented travelling long distances for purchase of essential commodities.

v. Platform vendors selling vegetables, flowers and fruits who were permitted to function till 12.00 noon shall not be permitted hereafter.

vi. Tea shops which were permitted to function till 12.00 noon shall remain closed.

vii. Other E-commerce entities shall be permitted to operate from 02.00 P.M. to 06.00 P.M.

E-Registration

i. In order to monitor the passengers coming by air and train from foreign countries and other states, e-registration (https://eregister.tnega.org) shall be made mandatory.

ii. Travel within or inter-district for essential activities namely marriage, funeral / last rites of close relatives, Medical Treatment, elderly care shall be permitted with e-registration (https://eregister.tnega.org)

iii. E-registration shall come in to force from 06.00 A.M. on 17.05.2021

II. General:

i. As already ordered night curfew from 10.00 P.M. to 4.00 A.M. shall be enforced throughout the State.

ii. Complete lockdown shall be enforced on Sundays (16.05.2021) and (23.05.2021) as already ordered.

iii. As General Public gather in large number in the Fish stall and Meat Stall, the Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation / District Collectors concerned shall initiate immediate action to shift the Fish Stalls and Meat Stalls to a spacious locations.

iv. Necessary action shall be initiated by the Police Department to ensure strict enforcement of complete lockdown.

v. The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation/ District Collectors concerned shall initiate appropriate action for imposing fines on persons not wearing face masks in public and work places. Further, the Standard Operating Procedures issued for various activities shall be strictly enforced by the authorities concerned, who shall be responsible for their short observance.

vi. 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 Section188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

5) The Commissioner, Greater Chennai Corporation / District Collectors concerned are instructed to ensure the strict enforcement of the guidelines, adherence of the Standard Operating Procedures issued for various activities and the National Directives for Covid-19 Management as appended to this order in Annexure -I.

(By order of the Governor)

V. IRAI ANBU, Chief Secretary.

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Annexure I

NATIONAL DIRECTIVES FOR COVID-19 MANAGEMENT

1. Face coverings: Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places; in workplaces; and during transport.

2. Social distancing: Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet in public places.

Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers.

3. Spitting in public places will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed by the State/ UT local authority in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations.

Additional directives for Work Places

4. Work from home (WfH): As far as possible the practice of WfH should be followed.

5. Staggering of work/business hours will be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.

6. Screening & hygiene: Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash or sanitizer will be made at all entry points and of hand wash or sanitizer at exit points and common areas.

7. Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc., will be ensured, including between shifts.

8. Social distancing: All persons in charge of work places will ensure adequate distance between workers and other staff.

V. IRAI ANBU, *Chief Secretary.*