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### NOTIFICATIONS BY GOVERNMENT

#### REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

COVID-19 – LOCKDOWN EXTENDED IN THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTIONS OF THE STATE OF TAMIL NADU WITH EXISTING GUIDELINES AND RELAXATIONS UPTO 06.00 A.M. OF 09.08.2021 UNDER THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2005

[G.O.Ms. No.491, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV), 31st July 2021,  
ஆடி 15, பிலவ, திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு-2052.]

No. II(2)/REVD/463(c)/2021.

WHEREAS on considering the prevailing Covid-19 pandemic scenario and as per the directives of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, State-wide complete lockdown was **enforced throughout the State with effect from 4.00 A.M. of 10.05.2021 to 6.00 A.M. of 31.07.2021**, in order to control the spread of COVID-19.

2. Now, after reviewing the pandemic situation, the Government hereby order under Disaster Management Act, 2005 to **extend lock down from 31.07.2021 to 06.00 A.M. on 09.08.2021 without any relaxations in addition to the already permitted activities** with the following instructions.

A. The intention of the relaxation permitted was to ensure that the livelihood of the people was not affected. The relaxations, if not properly followed, will cause harmful impact. **Therefore, the District Collectors and Police officers should take action strictly to enforce the Government guidelines. If overcrowding is found continuously in certain areas, the District Collectors/ Corporation Commissioners and Police Officers shall decide to close those areas in the public interest.**

#### B. General

(i) Shops permitted to function shall follow the following important Standard Operating Procedures.

- Shops shall have mandatory hand hygiene (sanitizer dispenser) at the entrance and thermal screening shall also be done.
- Management shall ensure that the workers and customers wear face masks compulsorily.
- All shops and establishments using air conditioning facility shall ensure that the doors and windows are kept open for adequate 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 organisations which violate the above guidelines and the 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 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.
  - The respective Departments shall strictly ensure the enforcement of the Standard Operating Procedures issued for various permitted activities.

3. In-order to control the spread of COVID-19, Public are requested to maintain discipline and Covid appropriate behaviour by avoiding unnecessarily coming out of the house and gathering in Public places.

4. The public are requested to seek medical advice of the nearest hospital as soon as symptoms of infection appear. Each and everyone must be vigilant, so that third wave does not occur.

5. Industries which have been permitted to operate shall strictly adhere to the Standard Operating Procedures and to carry out disinfection activities at regular intervals. Industries shall also initiate immediate action to vaccinate all their employees. In case of non-adherence of the Covid-19 appropriate behaviour and the Standard Operating Procedures issued, penal action will be initiated against concerned establishments.

6. The Government also orders that no activities shall be permitted in the **Containment Zones**.

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.

V. IRAI ANBU,  
*Chief Secretary.*