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ORDER

Whereas it has been made to appear that the outbreak of Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19) is a potential threat to human life and it has become necessary to adopt all possible preventive measures to contain the spread of the virus and to ensure the safety of the people with regard to protection of human lives and health measures of people of the Goalpara district.

Whereas, the Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) has vide order No ASDMA.28/2021/27, Dated: 27th April/2021 issued directives on total ban on movement of individuals from 8.00 PM to 5.00 AM daily as an emergency measures for well-being and safety of the people up to 1st May, 2021.

Now therefore, in exercise of the power conferred upon me section 22(2)(h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, I Smt. Varnali Deka, IAS, Deputy Commissioner cum Chairperson, District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Goalpara keeping in view of the emergent nature of the situation, hereby issue directives as follows which shall come in force with immediate effect and remain in force till **07th May/ 2021**.

A. Gatherings

1. Open functions to be allowed with the permission of the District Authority subject to strict adherence to COVID appropriate behaviour, including wearing face mask, maintaining respiratory etiquette, practicing hand hygiene through frequent hand washing or hand sanitizers and maintain social distancing (6 feet). While granting such permission, District Authority will assess the public bearing capacity of the open space and allow gathering of only 50% of its capacity or 400 persons, whichever is lower.
2. In Closed venues, gatherings up to 50 % of the seating capacity to be allowed.
3. No standing audience shall be allowed in open/closed venues.
4. Number of guests in Private functions at private venues including marriages to be restricted to 100 persons.
5. Funeral/last rites related gatherings should ensure not more than 20 persons for each deceased.
6. Religious places/ places of worship should be allowed to be operated with 20 persons per hour, except the iconic religious places where it can be 50 persons per hour. However, if any religious place has only a small area, the management committee of such religious institution shall reduce the number of attendees accordingly.
7. All Market places/ supermarkets/ shops in the Malls/ weekly market should be closed by 6.00PM.
8. Restaurants, Dhabas and other eateries can entertain dine-in guest only up to 6.00 PM. However, take away/home delivery is allowed up to the usual time of closure as per local regulations.
9. Restaurants operating within a Hotel or Resort can allow outside guests up to 6.00 PM only. However, in-house guests of the Hotel/Resort may be allowed to dine-in up the usual time of operation.
10. Delivery of goods through e-Commerce may continue after 6.00 PM.

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11. Cold storage and warehouse may continue beyond 6.00 PM. However, sale counters, showrooms etc. attached to these warehouse or cold storage shall close after 6.00 PM.
 12. Pharmacies, Hospitals, Animal Care Centres and Veterinary clinics may operate without restrictions being providers of essential and emergency services.

B. Work Places (Government and Private)

1. Working from home and virtual working should be encouraged.
2. Except officers, only 50% employees can work from office. However, this will not be applicable for organizations rendering Essential/Emergency Services, Law Enforcement Services and Election work.
3. Meetings in the official chambers to be discouraged.
4. Pregnant women employees and women with children of 5 years or below working under any Government/ PSU / Financial Institutions / Private Organizations irrespective of their grade shall be eligible to work from home.
5. Persons with disabilities (PwDs) working in any Government/ PSU / Financial Institutions / Private Organizations shall be exempted from attending duties in consonance with the O.M No. 11013/9/2014/Estt.(A.III) dated: 1st April/2020 issued by DoPT, Gol. However, they may be encouraged to work from home.
6. Social distancing at work places should be ensured through adequate gaps between shifts, staggering of lunch breaks of staff etc.
7. Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer is made at all entry and exit points and common areas. In addition, sufficient quantities of hand wash and sanitizer should be made available in the work places.
8. Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact should be carried out.

C. Educational Institutions (Government and Private)

1. All Educational Institution including Schools/Colleges/Universities must provide quality virtual options.
2. Not more than 50% students should attend in person on any day.
3. Schools should stagger class timings so that large scale release of students doesn't arise.
4. There will be no morning assembly/special assembly etc. in the educational institutions.
5. Preference to be given on online mode of teaching for primary classes.
6. Education Department will issue detail guideline/SOP for uninterrupted education service keeping in view of the COVID-19 precautionary measures.

D. Public Transport (Government and Private)

1. All Public transport authorities shall enforce COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and seating inside the vehicles, carriers, containers etc.
2. Auto Rickshaws, cycle rickshaws and taxis shall operate with one driver and two passengers maintaining social distancing.
3. City buses, Intra-district, Inter-district and Inter-state buses will be allowed to operate with 50% of seating capacity.
4. No passenger shall be allowed to travel standing in the vehicle.
5. Wearing of mask and observance of COVID-19 appropriate behaviour will be mandatory for all passengers.
6. Wearing of face mask is mandatory even for a single person driving a vehicle. In case of persons travelling in any private car, up to 100 % of each seating capacity, wearing of face mask is mandatory for all the persons.