

## **GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA**

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Karnataka Government Secretariat Vidhana Soudha Bengaluru, date: 2.4.2021

## **ORDER**

Whereas, the State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) is satisfied that the Karnataka is again under threat of 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 the State.

And whereas, the situation of COVID-19 in Karnataka has been reviewed and it has been observed that there has been a persistent rise in the number of COVID-19 cases in the State during the last one month. Further, a large number of social, religious and public gatherings like marriages, political rallies are being witnessed in which COVID Appropriate Behaviour is not being followed which may cause a setback in the appreciable gains made in the suppression of chain of transmission of Covid-19 cases in Karnataka.

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, SDMA, hereby directs Commissioner, BBMP, Deputy Commissioners, and all authorities concerned to ensure that following restrictions shall be enforced, along with the observance of COVID Appropriate Behaviour (CAB).

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The Chief Commissioner, BBMP, all Deputy Commissioners, and all authorities concerned shall ensure strict compliance of this order and shall adequately inform and sensitize the field functionaries about these instructions as shown below for strict compliance, in letter and spirit.

- Classes 6 to 9 including Vidyagama shall be suspended. Classes 10, 11 &12 can continue in the existing mode. However, attendance to these classes in person is not mandatory.
- 2. Classes of higher & professional courses shall be suspended, except classes due for Board/University examinations and of Health Sciences.
- 3. Boarding schools and residential hostels shall be closed, except for the students of classes 10, 11, 12 and for students of higher and professional courses appearing in Board/University examination and Health Sciences.
- 4. In the places of worships individuals are permitted to visit and offer prayers only. There shall be no gatherings, functions, etc.
- 5. In Apartment complexes, the common facilities like gym, party hall, club house, swimming pool, etc shall remain closed.
- 6. Gym and Swimming Pools shall remain closed.
- 7. Rallies, dharnas, etc for any reason shall be prohibited.
- 8. Number of persons in public transport, shall not exceed the seating capacity.
- 9. The practice of work from home shall be followed in offices and work places as far as possible.
- 10. In Cinema Halls, alternate seating subject to a maximum of 50% seating capacity only shall be allowed in the districts of Bengaluru Urban & Rural including BBMP, Mysuru, Kalburgi, Dakshin Kannada, Udupi, Bidar and Dharwad. Strict COVID Appropriate Behavior (CAB) like ensuring wearing of masks, physical distancing, provision of hand sanitizer/hand wash shall be enforced.
- 11. In the districts of Bengaluru Urban & Rural including BBMP, Mysuru, Kalburgi, Dakshin Kannada, Udupi, Bidar and Hubali-Dharwad. number of customers in Pubs, bars, clubs, restaurants shall not exceed 50% of the capacity.



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12. Strict COVID Appropriate Behavior (CAB) like ensuring wearing of masks, physical distancing, provision of hand sanitizer/hand wash shall be enforced. If there is any violation in Pubs, bars, clubs, restaurants, the facility shall be closed till the covid epidemic is over.

13. In Shopping Malls, closed markets, departmental stores, etc strict enforcement of Covid Appropriate Behavior (CAB) like ensuring wearing of masks, physical distancing, provision of hand sanitizer/hand wash shall be enforced. If there is any violation, the facility shall be closed till the covid epidemic is over.

14. The restrictions on public gatherings and congregations during religious festivals and jathras/fairs shall continue

15. The number of persons permitted for different activities will continue as per the circular issued on 12-3-2021

16. The existing regulations/orders regarding wearing of masks and maintaining physical distancing in public places shall be strictly implemented by the Police authorities and local bodies.

In case any person is found violating the aforesaid instructions, the defaulting person(s) shall be proceeded against as per the provisions of section 51 to 60 of Disaster Management Act, 2005, Section 188 of IPC and Section 4, 5 and 10 of the Karnataka Epidemic Diseases Act, 2020.

The above restrictions and prohibitions will be in effect till 20.04.2021.

Chief Secretary & Chairperson, State

**Executive Committee, SDMA** 

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4. The Principal Secretary to Government, Medical Education Department,

Bengaluru.

- 5. The Principal Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Department, Bengaluru.
- 6. The Principal Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Bengaluru.
- 7. All the Regional Commissioners in the State of Karnataka.
- 8. The Chief Commissioner, BBMP
- 9. The Commissioner of police, Bengaluru.
- 10. The Commissioner, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Bangalore.
- 11. The Mission Director, NHM Bangalore
- 12. The Special Commissioner, BBMP.
- 13. All the Deputy Commissioners in the State of Karnataka.
- 14. All the Superintendents of police in the State of Karnataka
- 15. The Director, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Bangalore.
- 16. All Divisional / Joint Directors, Health and Family Welfare Department.
- 17. Chief Health Officer, BBMP.
- 18. All the District Health Officers / District Surgeons / Administrative Medical Officers and Taluk Medical Officers and Medical Superintendents of all General Hospitals in Karnataka.