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ORDER

Under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1973

WHEREAS, there is a prevailing situation in the Country due to the Health Emergency posed by COVID-19, an infectious disease caused by Corona Virus;

AND WHEREAS, in order to contain the spread of the said epidemic, certain measures are required to be taken;

AND WHEREAS, the Public Health Department, Government of Goa vide Notification No.23/20/2014-I/PHD/Part IV/552 dated 13/03/2020 had declared the Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and HINI disease to be notifiable disease for the purposes of Part II of Chapter VII of the Public Health Act, 1985 throughout the State of Goa;

AND WHEREAS, it is essential to enforce social distancing of people to prevent the spread of the disease;

AND WHEREAS, in view of this it is necessary to take exigent measures in this regards so as to prevent any danger to human life or safety, to thwart the spread of virus, which may affect the overall security of the State and may create disturbance of larger public order and tranquillity;

AND WHEREAS, In my considered opinion, there is sufficient grounds for proceeding under sub section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for closure of all the Government Departments, State Government Industrial Departments, Industries, Private Establishments including Factories and Companies and any Business/Trade Industrial Undertakings or any other



