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ORDER

U/S 144 OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE, 1973

WHEREAS, a number of COVID-19 cases is being witnessed in Goa and other parts of the country, and the situation might further aggravate if public gatherings and active interactions is permitted;

AND WHEREAS, in order to contain the spread of the said pandemic, certain measures were undertaken and restrictions were imposed;

AND WHEREAS, considering the prevailing situation, certain restrictions and measures are required to be continued to prevent the further spread of the disease;

AND WHEREAS in my considered opinion, there are sufficient grounds for proceeding under sub section (1) of section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 to take preventive steps to contain the spread of Virus by restricting public gatherings and activities;

AND WHEREAS, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not permit the individual serving of orders, in due time, of the notices individually upon the persons against whom this order is directed and therefore, under the powers vested in me under sub section (2) of Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, I hereby pass the order ex-parte;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ruchika Katyal, IAS, District Magistrate, South Goa District, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1973, direct that the following activities/establishment/facilities/events shall be prohibited or restricted in the district of South Goa, from 7 am on 26 July, 2021 to 7 am on 02 August, 2021:

1. The following activities/establishment/facilities/events shall remain closed:
 - a. casinos,
 - b. shops from 7pm to 7 am (home delivery of all items, except liquor, will be allowed anytime),
 - c. auditoriums/community halls or similar places,
 - d. river cruises/waterparks/entertainment parks,



- e. spa/massage parlours,
- f. cinema halls, theatres, multiplexes, entertainment zones within Shopping malls.
- g. schools, colleges, educational and coaching institutions for students (however, examinations of students and holding competitive examinations will be permitted with the approval of the Government),
- h. weekly market.

2. The following activities will be prohibited:

- a. social/political/sports/entertainment/academic/cultural, marriage functions, and other congregations, (except for events upto 100 people or 50 percent of hall capacity, whichever is less, with the approval of DM/SDM).
- b. gathering of five or more persons at public places, except for official functions or with permission from DM/SDM.
- c. inter-state movement for persons except
 - I. for those carrying Covid negative test report for a test done a maximum of 72 hours prior to entering in Goa,
 - II. persons entering in Goa for medical emergencies on production of proof therefore,
 - III. two drivers and one helper per goods vehicle. However, the Police or the other authorities will have to scan such persons with the thermal guns to see whether they display any symptoms and if they display any symptoms then the Police or the other authorities should deny access to such persons within the State of Goa.
 - IV. The following persons who are fully vaccinated at least 14 days before the date of entry and have been asymptomatic
 - a. The workforce, i.e. persons who enter the State of Goa for purposes of work in industries, labor-force, construction, etc.,
 - b. Persons who enter the State of Goa for purposes of business and employment;
 - c. Residents of Goa, who are now stranded outside Goa for pandemic related or other such issues;
 - d. Residents of Goa who, on account of their work requirements/medical reasons, are required to travel outside the State of Goa and return to the State after a few days.
 - V. use of buses with a maximum capacity of 50%;

3. The following shall be exceptions to the above restrictions/prohibitions at para 1 & 2:

- a. shops selling medicines, drugs and related activities
- b. bars and restaurants upto 50 percent of the seating capacity, from 7 am to 9 pm,
- c. indoor gyms upto 50 percent of the capacity
- d. sports complexes (indoor and outdoors) without spectators



- e. Banks, insurance, custom clearance, ATMs, microfinance institutions, etc.,
- f. Religious places, upto 15 persons with compliance of COVID appropriate behaviour , including use of masks and social distancing
- g. all medical and health services/institutions (including AYUSH and Veterinary Hospitals, and laboratories) to remain functional,
- h. Operations of homes for children/divyangs/senior citizens/destitutes/women/widows, etc.
- i. Observation homes, after care homes and places of safety for juveniles, etc.,
- j. all facilities in the supply chain of goods, whether involved in wholesale or retail of such goods through local stores, large brick and mortar stores or e-Commerce companies,
- k. cold storage and warehousing services,
- l. canteens/restaurants on the premise of the permitted establishments catering to only inhouse staff/residents may remain functional,
- m. all industries/factories and related activities,
- n. all constructions and related activities, including repairs,
- o. shops/stores related to house/building repairs, monsoon preparedness, or rain protection,
- p. agricultural and related activities,
- q. offices of Central and State Government offices, their attach and subordinate offices, PSUs, local bodies, and related activities, Courts and their related activities, functioning of airport and railways and related activities
- r. Public utilities (including petroleum, CNG, LPG, PNG), power generation, and b transmission units, post and courier offices, water, sanitation and related activities, including vehicles repairs, hardware shops, etc.,
- s. hotels and hospitality sector, for inhouse guests/residents/staff,
- t. the print and electronic media, and related activities,
- u. telecommunication and internet services, and related activities,
- v. LPG cylinder services

4. The following advisory is issued for strict compliances:

- a. All persons above 18 years of age are advised to get themselves vaccinated at the nearby vaccination centre;
- b. All non-government employers are advised to actively plan for and promote work from home for the employees working in their shops/establishments/factories and physical presence should be sought only if essential,
- c. All employers should enforce staggered timings for arrival and departure of their employees, and all covid appropriate behaviour/norms should be enforced at the workplaces,
- d. All employers are advised to ensure that employees with symptoms, like cough, cold, fever, or if they are short of breath, etc., are to remain home and take appropriate medical care,
- e. Crowding in lifts, staircases, corridors, common areas including refreshment kiosk and parking areas is to be strictly avoided,



- f. Divyangs and parents with children having special needs are advised to work from home.

Additional restrictions imposed in COVID Containment Zones shall remain in force.

Any person contravening this order shall be punishable under Section 188 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

Given under my hand and seal on this 25th day of July, 2021.



Ruchika Katyal
25/7/2021
(Ruchika Katyal, IAS)
District Magistrate
South Goa, Margao

To,
The Director,
Government Printing Press, Panaji-Goa, with a request to give cause Publication in Extra Ordinary Gazette immediately.

Copy forwarded for necessary action to:

1. The Superintendent of Police, South Goa District/North Goa District
2. The Superintendent of Police, Coastal Panaji-Goa.
3. The Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Ponda/Dharbandora/Salcete/Canacona/Mormugao/Quepem/Sanguem.
4. The Sub-Divisional Police Officer Ponda/Margao/Vasco/Salcete.
5. The Mamlatdar & Executive Magistrate of Salcete, Margao/Mormugao/Quepem/Canacona/Sanguem/Dharbandora/Ponda.
6. The Police Inspectors/P.S.I. The P.I./PSI, Margao Town/Maina-Curtorim/Verna/Colva/Harbour/Vasco/Salcete/Sanguem/Cuncolim/Collem/Mormugao/Curchorem/Ponda Police Station. They are directed to affix a copy of this Order on the notice board of their office and enforce **the same strictly**.
7. The Director of Information and Publicity, Panaji with a request to give wide publicity through all local dailies.
9. The Director of Doordarshan, Panaji, with a request to broadcast the order.
10. The Station Director, All India Radio, Panaji for giving wide publicity.
11. The Commissioner of Excise, Panaji-Goa.
12. The Under Secretary (Home), Govt. of Goa, Home Department, Secretariat, Porvorim.

Copy for information to:

1. The Secretary to Governor of Goa, Raj Bhavan, Panaji.
2. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Goa, Secretariat, Porvorim.
3. The Chief Secretary, Government of Goa, Secretariat, Porvorim.
4. The Addl. Secretary (Home), Government of Goa, Home Department (General), Secretariat, Porvorim.
5. The Director General of Police, Goa, Panaji-Goa