# F.12(8)-REV/Corona Curfew/2021 GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA TRIPURA DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY REVENUE DEPARTMENT; SECRETARIAT, AGARTALA TRIPURA

Dated 6 January, 2022

## <u>ORDER</u>

**Whereas,** Corona night curfew from 10PM to 5AM during 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2021 to 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021 with specific restrictions were imposed vide Order No.F.12(8)-REV/Corona Curfew/2021 dated 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2021 for effective control of COVID-19 in the State. Thereafter, the guidelines for Durga Puja and other puja celebrations in Tripura with specific restrictions were imposed during October to December, 2021 and these restrictions measures are in force;

## AND

**Whereas**, in view of the initial signs of surge in cases of COVID-19 as well increased detection of the Variant of Concern (VoC), 'Omicron', in different parts of the country, MoHFW, Government of India vide D.O. letter NO. Z.28015/318/21-EMR, dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2021, has issued an advisory to all the States, prescribing a normative framework for taking evidence based containment measures at district/ local level;

#### AND

**Whereas**, followed by the normative framework of MoHFW, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India vide Order No.40-3/2020/DM-I(A), dated 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2021 issued National Directives for COVID-19 Management for strict implementation;

#### AND

**Whereas**, the situation has been reviewed in detail by the State Government and it is felt necessary to impose advisories to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the state.

## NOW

I, the undersigned in the capacity of Chairman of the State Executive Committee of the Tripura State Disaster Management Authority, in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 22(2) (h) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 issue the following directions:-

- The aforesaid normative framework and advisory of MoHFW, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India vide dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2021, as per Annexure-I should be implemented at the State/ District/ Local levels until 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2022.
- 2. The State Directives for COVID-19 Management, as specified in **Annexure-II**, shall continue to be strictly followed throughout the state.
- 3. The Government has also imposed measures under the Epidemic Disease Act, 1987, main provisions of which are at **Annexure-III**.
- 4. All the DM & Collectors shall strictly enforce the above measures. For the enforcement of social distancing, the DM & Collectors may use the provision of Section 144 of the Cr.P.C., 1973 as and when necessary.
- 5. All violations are liable to be proceeded against as per provisions of Section 51 to 60 of Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal section under Section 188 IPC and other legal provisions as applicable.

## **Enclo: As stated**

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Chief Secretary & Chairman, State Executive Committee Tripura Disaster Management Authority

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- 1. All Principal Secretary/Secretary/Special Secretary, Govt. of Tripura.
- 2. Director General of Police, Govt. of Tripura
- 3. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, Govt. of Tripura
- 4. Secretary, Tripura Legislative Assembly.
- 5. All D. M. & Collectors, Tripura
- 6. All Superintendent of Police, Tripura
- 7. All Head of Departments, Govt. of Tripura.

Copy for information to:-

- 1. Secretary to Hon'ble Governor, Raj Bhawan, Agartala.
- 2. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister.
- 3. PS to Hon'ble Chief Minister
- 4. PS to the all Hon'ble Ministers.

# No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs

## North Block, New Delhi-110001 Dated 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2021

## ORDER

Whereas, an Order of even number dated 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021, was issued to ensure compliance with the containment measures for COVID-19, as conveyed *vide* Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) DO letter No. Z.28015/85/2021-DM Cell, dated 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2021, which was further extended for a period upto 31.12.2021 *vide* Order of even number, dated 30.11.2021;

And whereas, in view of the initial signs of surge in cases of COVID-19 as well as increased detection of the Variant of Concern (VoC), 'Omicron', in different parts of the country, MoHFW vide D.O. letter No. Z.28015/318/21-EMR, dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2021, has issued an advisory to all the States and Union Territories (UTs), prescribing a normative framework for taking evidence based containment measures at district/ local level;

Whereas, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 (DM Act), the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has directed the undersigned to issue an Order, for containment of COVID-19 in the country;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the DM Act, the undersigned, hereby directs the State/ UT Governments and State/ UT Authorities to consider implementation of the normative framework, as conveyed *vide* aforesaid MoHFW advisory, dated 21<sup>st</sup> December, 2021, as per **Annexure-I**, until 31.01.2022. States/ UTs will take necessary measures, under the relevant provisions of the DM Act. It is further directed that:

- (i) The National Directives for COVID-19 Management, as specified in Annexure II, shall continue to be strictly followed throughout the country.
- (ii) All the District Magistrates shall strictly enforce the above measures. For the enforcement of social distancing, State/UT Governments may, as far as possible, use the provisions of Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) of 1973.
- (iii) Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Sections 51 to 60 of the DM Act, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions, as applicable.

27/12/2021 Union Home Secretary

and, Chairperson, National Executive Committee (NEC)

#### To:

- 1. The Secretaries of Ministries/ Departments of Government of India
- The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories (As per list attached)

# Copy to:

- i. All Members of the National Executive Committee
- ii. Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority

# Annexure-I



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D.O.No.Z.28015/318/21-EMR

21 December, 2021

राजेश भूषण, आईएएस सचिव

RAJESH BHUSHAN, IAS SECRETARY

Dear Colleague.

This is regarding the measures that need to be taken in view of initial signs of surge in cases of Covid-19 as well as increased detection of the Variant of Concern (VoC), 'Omicron' in different parts of the country.

2. In this context kindly recall this Ministry's earlier guidance shared with States/UTs on multiple occasions regarding the recommended strategies for containment and restrictions, keeping the District as a unit.

3. At the **district level** there should be constant review of emerging data regarding the population affected by COVID-19, geographical spread, hospital infrastructure and its utilization, manpower, notifying Containment Zones, enforcement of perimeter of containment zones etc. This evidence should be the basis for effective decision making at the district level itself. Such a strategy ensures that infection is contained at the local level itself before it spreads to other parts of the state.

4. The main elements of the framework to be used by States and UTs to facilitate decision making at the District Level are as follows:

- i) Test positivity of 10% or more in the last one week
  - OR
- ii) Bed occupancy of 40% or more on oxygen supported or ICU beds

In case any one of these parameters are met in any District, district level containment measures and restrictions may be put in place forthwith. Equally important, the restrictions must be strictly enforced.

5. Based on current scientific evidence, the VOC Omicron is at least 3 times more transmissible than the Delta VOC. Besides, the Delta VOC is still present in different parts of the country. Hence, even greater foresight, data analysis, dynamic decision making and strict & prompt containment action is required at the local and district level. The decision making at the State/UT and district level must be very prompt and focussed.

6. The template above provides a normative framework. However, based on the local situation and population characteristics such as density etc., and keeping in mind the higher transmissibility of Omicron, States/UTs can take containment measures and restrictions even before these thresholds are reached.

7. Some of the strategic areas of intervention focusing on containment, test, track, surveillance, clinical management, vaccination and Covid Appropriate Behaviour to be taken up are as follows:

A -Containment: imposition of night curfew, strict regulation of large gatherings, curtailing numbers in marriages and funerals, restricting numbers in offices, industries, public transport etc. In case of all new clusters of Covid positive cases, prompt notification of "Containment Zones", "Buffer Zones" should be done, strict perimeter control of Containment Zone as per extant guidelines must be ensured. All cluster samples must be sent to INSACOG Labs for Genome Sequencing without delay.

B- Testing and surveillance: testing as per ICMR and MoHFW guidelines, door to door case search, testing of all SARI/ILI and vulnerable/co-morbid people, ensuring right proportion of RT-PCR tests in total tests being conducted daily, contact tracing of all Covid positive persons & their timely testing, utilizing the access to "AIR SUVIDHA" Portal by State Surveillance Officers (SSOs) & District Surveillance Officers (DSOs) to monitor the international passengers who have arrived in their States & Districts etc.

C- Clinical Management: increase bed capacity, other logistics like ambulances, mechanism for seamless shifting of patients, availability and operational readiness of oxygen equipments, buffer stock of drugs to be ensured by prompt utilization of Emergency Covid Response Package (ECRP-II) funds released by Central Government & other available resources etc. The existing National Clinical Management Protocol remains unchanged for Omicron.

Ensure stringent enforcement of home isolation as per extant guidelines. This would include among others: customized kit for persons undergoing home isolation, their regular monitoring through call centers as well as home visits etc. This will be a very critical activity in the days to come specially to ensure that persons under home isolation do not spread the virus to others in view of its higher transmissibility.

D- Vaccination: ensure 100% coverage of left out first and second dose eligible beneficiaries in an accelerated manner. Special focus to be given to those districts where the first & second dose coverage is less than the national average. The door-to-door vaccination campaign need to be strengthened.

E- Community engagement and Covid Appropriate Behaviour: Ensure advance engagement and information so that there is no misinformation or panic, transparent communication on hospital and testing infrastructure availability, regular press briefings etc. Participation of community backed by strict enforcement is necessary for ensuring Covid Appropriate Behaviour.

8. Kindly activate the War rooms/EOCs and keep analyzing all trends and surges, no matter how small and keep taking proactive action at the district/local level.

Regular reviews with field officers and proactive action in this regard will definitely control the spread of infection and flatten the curve. Warm Legards.

Yours sincerely

(Rajesh Bhushan)

Chief Secretary/Administrator of all States / UTs

## **STATE DIRECTIVES FOR COVID-19 MANAGEMENT**

- 1. Wearing masks/ face cover is compulsory in public places, crowded areas, in markets, in all work places and offices and during travelling.
- 2. Wide and thorough publicity on wearing masks/ face cover and to maintain Covid Appropriate Behavior (CAB) through miking, print, electronic and social media.
- 3. Fine may be imposed on the defaulters for not using masks or maintaining CAB or spitting in public places from 31st December, 2021. For this, public awareness should be done beforehand.
- 4. Arrivals from the high risk countries and their mandatory home quarantine should be monitored strictly by the Police and Health Teams.
- 5. Testing should be increased.
- 6. Enforcement of strict sample testing in airport, all railway stations, all ICPs and Churaibari Entry Post.
- 7. Strict compliance of sample testing of the BSF, CRPF, Assam Rifles, RPF, CISF personnel who are coming from outside the state.

## Actions under "The Epidemic Disease COVID 19 regulations, 2020"

Annexure-

The State Government, in exercise of the powers conferred Under Section 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act 1987, framed "The Epidemic Disease COVID 19 regulations, 2020" to contain the spread of pandemic COVID-19 in the population. According to these regulations, following major restrictions have been imposed by the State Government:-

- Compulsory wearing mask including homemade washable cloth mask / face cover by any cloth in public / work place or while travelling / driving.
- 2. Social distancing to be ensured in public and private transport.
- 3. Restricting shops to operate only after ensuring appropriate social distancing measures and avoiding over-crowding through volunteers to regulate shoppers. The shops having frontage less than one meter shall allow only one person at a time, having frontage 1(one) or more but less than 2(two) meters, two persons shall be allowed at a time and so on. Rest may stand behind with a distance of one meter in queue. The shopkeeper and shoppers shall compulsorily wear mask / face covers. Compulsory daily sanitization of area.

Penalty for the violations of the regulations is as follows:-

- Fine of Rs.200/- in the first violation and Rs. 400/- for subsequent violation in regard to not wearing of mask / face cover.
- Fine of Rs.1000/- for not ensuring social distancing in public and private transport, for not ensuring social distancing among the consumers in front of the shops by shopkeepers and for violating home quarantine norms.

Moreover, any person / institution / organisation violating the regulations shall be deemed to have committed offence punishable under Section 188 of IPC (45 of 1860).

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