



ABSTRACT

Disaster Management Act, 2005 - COVID-19 - Extending restrictions in the territorial jurisdictions of the State of Tamil Nadu till 24:00 hrs of 31.07.2020 - Extending Complete Lockdown in Jurisdiction of Greater Chennai Police Limit and some areas in Kancheepuram, Chengalpattu and Thiruvallur Districts, Madurai Corporation limits and some areas in Madurai District till 24:00 hrs of 05.07.2020 with guidelines and relaxations - Notification - Issued

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT (DM-II) DEPARTMENT

GO.Ms.No.324

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Read :

1. G.O.Ms.No.152, Health and Family Welfare (P1) Department, dated 23.03.2020
2. Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1(A), dated 25.03.2020.
3. G.O.(Ms)No.172, Revenue and Disaster Management (D.M.II) Department, dated 25.03.2020 and addendums issued thereon.
4. G.O.(Ms)No.190, Revenue and Disaster Management (D.M.II) Department, dated 13.04.2020.
5. G.O.(Ms)No.193, Revenue and Disaster Management (D.M.II) Department, dated 15.04.2020
6. G.O.(Ms)No.198, Revenue Disaster Management Department,, dated 20.04.2020.
7. G.O.(Ms)No.202, Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:22.04.2020.
8. G.O.(Ms)No.203, Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:22.04.2020.
9. G.O.(Ms)No.204, Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:23.04.2020.
10. G.O.(Ms)No.217 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:03.5.2020.

11. G.O.(Ms)No.220 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated: 04.5.2020
12. G.O.(Ms)No.229 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:9.05.2020.
13. G.O.(Ms)No.238 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:15.05.2020.
14. G.O.(Ms)No.244 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:17.05.2020
15. G.O.(Ms)No.245 Revenue Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:18.05.2020 and amendments issued thereon.
16. G.O.(Ms)No.262 Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated:31.05.2020.
17. GO.Ms.No.299 Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, Dated : 16.6.2020.
18. GO.Ms.No.305, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, Dated : 17.6.2020.
19. GO.Ms.No.314, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, Dated : 22.6.2020.
20. Hon'ble Chief Minister's Press Release, dated 29.6.2020
21. From the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 29.06.2020.
22. From the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration, letter No.OCI/563/2020 dated:30.6.2020

NOTIFICATION

WHEREAS on considering the recommendations of the expert team of Doctors and Public Health Specialists and based on the directives of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, State-wide lockdown was extended from time to time and lastly extended till 24:00 hrs of 30.6.2020 under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in GO.Ms.No.262, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-II) Department, dated 31.5.2020 with various relaxations and certain restrictions.

2. Now, therefore the Government of Tamil Nadu based on the review meetings held on various dates, particularly views expressed by the District Collectors in the meeting held on 22.6.2020 through Video Conference, based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee constituted under the Chairmanship of Additional Chief Secretary, Finance Department on Exit Strategy and views expressed by the Medical Experts and Public Health Committee during the discussion with the Hon'ble Chief Minister on

29.6.2020 and in consultation with the Senior Ministers **hereby order to extend the State-wide lockdown till 24:00 hrs of 31.07.2020** under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 with various relaxations ordered in G.O. Ms.No.217, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated 3.5.2020 and G.O.Ms.No.245, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM II), Department, dated 18.5.2020 and amendments issued thereon with the existing restrictions and following further guidelines and relaxations.

3.Since the complete lock down enforced from 19.06.2020 early morning 00 hrs. to 30.06.2020 midnight 12.00 hrs in Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas, in **Thiruvallur District** -Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in Thiruvallur District, Thiruvallur Municipality, Gummindipoondi, Ponneri and Minjur Town Panchayats, all village panchayats in Poovirundhavalli, Eekadu and Sholavaram blocks, in **Chengalpattu District** - Greater Chennai Police areas in Chengalpattu District, Chengalpattu and Maraimalai Nagar Municipalities, Nandhivaram-Guduvanchery Town Panchayat and all Village Panchayats of Kattankulathur Block and Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in **Kancheepuram District** and from 24.06.2020 early morning 00 hrs. to 30.06.2020 midnight 12.00 hrs in Madurai Corporation, Paravai Town Panchayat, all village Panchayats of Madurai East, Madurai West and Thiruparankundram Blocks of **Madurai District** has helped to control the spread of COVID-19 to some extent, **the Government hereby order to extend the complete lock down in the above mentioned areas for a further period of 5 days till 24:00 hrs of 05.07.2020** with the restrictions and relaxations already ordered in G.O.Ms.No.299, Revenue and Disaster Management Department, dated 16.6.2020, G.O.Ms.No.305, Revenue and Disaster Management Department, dated 17.6.2020. G.O.Ms.No.314, Revenue and Disaster Management Department, dated 22.6.2020.

4. The curfew orders which prevailed before 19.06.2020 in Greater Chennai Police Commissionerate limits and its adjoining districts viz., Tiruvallur, Chengalpet and Kancheepuram District with certain restrictions and relaxations **shall remain in force from 6.7.2020 early morning 00 hrs till 24:00 hrs of 31.7.2020**. Similarly, the curfew orders which prevailed before 24.06.2020 in Madurai Corporation limits and few areas in Madurai District with certain restrictions and relaxations **shall remain in force from 6.7.2020 early morning 00 hrs till 24:00 hrs of 31.7.2020**.

5.Further, the Fish stalls, Chicken and other meat stalls and egg shops licensed by Chennai Corporation, other Corporations, Town Panchayats and Village Panchayats will be permitted with a condition to maintain social distancing procedures.

I. The following activities will continue to remain prohibited until further orders, during the lockdown period throughout the State till 24:00 hrs of 31.07.2020.

- i. **All religious places / places of worship in urban areas and big religious places / places of worship will be closed for public worship.**
- ii. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.
- iii. Tourists travel to tourist places like Nilgiris District, Kodaikanal and Yercaud will be prohibited.
- iv. Hotels and other hospitality services, except those meant for housing health / police / Government officials / healthcare workers / stranded persons including tourists and for quarantine facilities;
- v. Shopping malls.
- vi. Schools, colleges, educational / training / coaching institutions etc. will remain closed. Online / distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
- vii. All international air travel of passengers, except for purposes as permitted by MHA.
- viii. Metro rail services and suburban train services.
- ix. All Cinema halls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places. **Sports complexes and stadia will be permitted to open without spectators.**
- x. All social / political / sports / entertainment / academic / cultural / religious functions / other gatherings and large congregations.
- xi. Inter-State public transport.

Complete lockdown will be enforced without any relaxations throughout the State on all the Sundays falling in the month of July 2020 i.e. on **5.7.2020** (from midnight 12.00 hrs on 4.7.2020 to 6.00 A.M. on 6.7.2020), **12.7.2020** (from midnight 12.00 hrs on 11.7.2020 to 6.00 A.M. on 13.7.2020), **19.7.2020** (from midnight 12.00 hrs on 18.7.2020 to 6.00 A.M. on 20.7.2020) and **26.07.2020** (from midnight 12.00 hrs on 25.7.2020 to 6.00 A.M. on 27.7.2020). No other activity except Milk

distribution, Hospitals, Pharmaceutical Shops, Hospital Vehicles, Ambulance and Hearse Vehicle Services may be permitted during the above Sundays and that the private vehicles will be allowed to ply only for medical emergencies.

Further, the following restrictions will remain in force in respect of marriages, funerals and Public Bus Transport:-

Restrictions for Marriages and Funerals:-

- i. Marriage related gathering: Number guests not to exceed 50.
- ii. Funeral/last rites related gathering: Number persons not to exceed **20**.

Operation of Buses:-

Operation of both private and Government buses within the districts will remain suspended from 1.7.2020 to 15.7.2020 throughout the State.

E-pass system:-

- Movement of persons within the district will be permitted without e-pass, except for areas where complete lockdown is ordered upto 05.07.2020 24:00 hrs and movement of people in and out of the containment zones.
- E-Pass system will continue to be in force for both inter state and inter-district travel.
- In the areas where complete lock down has been extended, the e-pass issued for the period upto 30.6.2020, will remain valid till 5.7.2020 and that application for a new e-pass is not necessary.
- E- pass will be issued by the concerned District Collectors to the Contractors who intend to participate in the Government Tenders, Contractors who are engaged in the supervision of the ongoing Government Works and who wish to visit the Government Offices in this regard.

II. The following activities will be allowed from early morning 00 hrs of 6.7.2020 in all the areas falling under the jurisdiction of Greater Chennai Police and in the areas of Tiruvallur, Chengalpet, and Kancheepuram District where complete lock down was enforced (Except in containment zones):

- i. IT/ITEs are permitted to operate with company provided transport at 50% strength subject to a maximum of 80 persons.

- ii. All Private offices, industrial establishments and Export oriented units are allowed to function at 50% strength. However, work from home shall be encouraged to the extent possible.
- iii. All showrooms and large format shops (including jewellery and textiles shops) except in shopping malls are permitted to operate with 50% staff strength without air conditioning and limiting the number of customers to five at a time to ensure social distancing.
- iv. Restaurants shall be permitted to function with dine-in facilities with 50% of seating capacity maintaining social distancing. Air conditioning shall not be used even if it is available.
- v. Tea shops & Restaurants, Vegetable shops and Provision shops, are permitted to function from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- vi. Tea shops are permitted to function subject to 50 % seating capacity at a time to maintain social distancing.
- vii. Rental vehicles and taxis including Cab aggregation are permitted with not more than three passengers, excluding the driver.
- viii. Autos are permitted with two passengers excluding driver. Cycle rickshaws are also permitted,
- ix. Barber shops, Saloons, Spa and Beauty Parlours are permitted to function as per Standard Operating Procedures without use of air conditioning facility.
- x. Fish stalls, Chicken and other meat stalls and egg shops are permitted on a condition to maintain social distancing.

III. The following activities will be allowed from early morning 00 hrs of 1.7.2020 in all the areas throughout the State except Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas and in containment zones and from early morning 00 hrs of 06.07.2020 in **Thiruvallur District**-Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in Thiruvallur Districts, Thiruvallur Municipality, Gummindipoondi, Ponneri and Minjur Town Panchayats, all village panchayats in Poovirundhavalli, Eekadu and Sholavaram blocks, in **Chengalpattu District** - Greater Chennai Police areas in Chengalpattu District, Chengalpattu and Maraimalai Nagar Municipalities, Nandhivaram- Guduvanchery Town Panchayat and all Village Panchayats of Kattankulathur Block and Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in **Kancheepuram District** and Madurai Corporation, Paravai Town Panchayat, all village Panchayats of Madurai East, Madurai West and Thiruparankundram Blocks of **Madurai District**.

- i. Only small temples in rural areas with annual income of less than Rs.10000/-, small mosques, darghas, churches and other religious places will be allowed for public worship. These places of worship should adhere to social distancing norms besides following the measures for the containment of the disease. Places of Worship / Religious Places in Corporations, Municipalities, Town Panchayats areas and big places of worship / religious places in village panchayat limits would remain closed for public worship.
- ii. All industries and export oriented units are permitted to operate with 100% of employees.
- iii. IT/ITES are permitted to function at 100 % strength with at least 20% to work from home.
- iv. All Private offices are allowed to function at 100% strength. However, work from home shall be encouraged to the extent possible.
- v. All showrooms and large format shops (viz. jewellery and textiles shops) except in shopping malls are permitted to operate with 50% staff strength without air conditioning and limiting the number of customers to 5 at time to ensure social distancing.
- vi. Tea shops & Restaurants, Vegetable shops and Provision shops, are permitted to function from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm. Other shops including Liquor retail vending (TASMAC) shops are permitted to function from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm.
- vii. Restaurants shall be permitted to function with dine-in facilities with 50% of seating capacity maintaining social distancing. Air conditioning shall not be used even if it is available.
- viii. Tea shops are permitted to function subject to 50 % seating capacity at a time to maintain social distancing.
- ix. Delivery of all goods, including non-essential goods through e-commerce is permitted.
- x. Rental vehicles and taxis including Cab aggregation are permitted with not more than three passengers, excluding the driver.
- xi. Autos are permitted with two passengers excluding driver. Cyclone rickshaws are also permitted.

- xii. Fish stalls, Chicken and other meat stalls and egg shops would be permitted on a condition to maintain social distancing.

IV. Protection of vulnerable persons

Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years are advised to stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

V. Use of Aarogya Setu

- (i) Aarogya Setu enables early identification of potential risk of infection, and thus acts as a shield for individuals and the community.
- (ii) With a view to ensuring safety in offices and work places, employers on best effort basis should ensure that Aarogya Setu is installed by all employees having compatible mobile phones.
- (iii) District authorities may advise individuals to install the Aarogya Setu application on compatible mobile phones and regularly update their health status on the app. This will facilitate timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.

VI. National Directives for COVID-19 Management

1. **Face coverings:** Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places; in workplaces; and during transport.
2. **Social distancing:** Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet in public places.
Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers and will not allow more than 5 persons at one time.
3. **Gatherings:** Large public gatherings/congregations continue to remain prohibited.
Marriage related gathering: Number guests not to exceed 50.
Funeral/last rites related gathering: Number persons not to exceed **20**
4. **Spitting in public places** will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed by the State/UT local authority in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations.
5. **Consumption of liquor, paan, gutka, tobacco etc.** in public places is prohibited.

Additional Directives for work places

6. **Work from home (WfH):** As far as possible, the practice of WfH should be followed.
7. **Staggering of work/ business hours** shall be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
8. **Screening & hygiene:** Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas.
9. **Frequent sanitization** of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc., will be ensured, including between shifts.
10. **Social distancing:** All persons in charge of work places will ensure adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.

VII. General

- i. Gathering of more than 5 persons at a time in the public places will remain prohibited under Section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code.
- ii. No activity will be permitted in the Containment Zones across the State, during the lockdown period.
- iii. All Industries and Commercial Establishments should encourage their staff to work from home and they shall also strictly adhere to the Standard Operating Procedures.
- iv. In the areas falling under Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas, in **Thiruvallur District** - Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in Thiruvallur Districts, Thiruvallur Municipality, Gummindipoondi, Ponneri and Minjur Town Panchayats, all village panchayats in Poovirundhavalli, Eekadu and Sholavaram blocks, in **Chengalpattu District** - Greater Chennai Police areas in Chengalpattu District, Chengalpattu and Maraimalai Nagar Municipalities, Nandhivaram- Guduvanchery Town Panchayat and all Village Panchayats of Kattankulathur Block and Greater Chennai Police Commissionarate areas in **Kancheepuram District** and Madurai Corporation, Paravai Town Panchayat, all village Panchayats of Madurai East, Madurai West and Thiruparankundram Blocks of **Madurai District**, where the complete lockdown in force upto 24:00 hrs on 05.07.2020, the present practice of permitting the industries to function with the workers accommodated inside the industrial

premises or nearby places and the TN-Epass system shall continue to be in force in other areas.

- v. In the case of the factories located in remaining districts of State other than Chennai, Tiruvallur, Kancheepuram and Madurai Districts where complete lock down is being enforced, the industrial establishments may obtain **PERMIT CARD** from the concerned District Collectors for the movement of their workers who come to their industries from the adjoining districts. However, this **PERMIT CARD** is valid only for travelling to the industry located in the adjoining district and not to other districts.

VIII. Penal provisions

Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at **Annexure I**.

The Government also order that no activities shall be permitted in the Containment Zones during the lockdown period and that the restrictions in the Containment Zones would be further intensified. However, the essential supplies to the households in Containment Zones and quarantine houses shall be ensured by local administration and that disinfectants would be sprayed twice a day in these areas. Wearing of Mask is compulsory and it would be strictly enforced. Repeated washing hands with soap-sanitizers and social distancing norms should be strictly enforced for the permitted activities.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.