



GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA

No. RD 158 TNR 2020

Karnataka Government Secretariat,
MS Building,
Bengaluru, Dated: 11-01-2022

ORDER

Whereas, in view of resurgence of COVID 19 cases in the State, particularly the spread of variant of concern “Omicron”, the State Government has been imposing graded containment measures to combat the spread of COVID 19 in the State. The State Government proactively enforced additional containment measures vide orders of even number dated 03-12-2021 and 26-12-2021. Subsequently, further containment measures are being enforced upto 19-01-2022 vide Orders No. RD 158 TNR 2020, dated 04-01-2022, and its connecting orders.

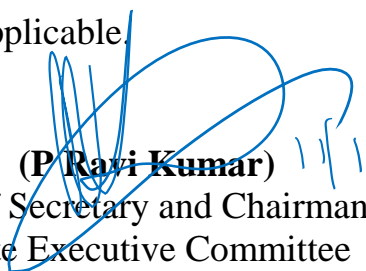
Whereas, there has been steep spike in the number of COVID 19 cases in the State during the last 2 weeks and the State Government is taking all possible measures to contain the same. The situation has been again reviewed on 11-01-2022. The Technical Advisory Committee has suggested focused and effective implementation of the five-fold strategy of test-track-treat-vaccination and adherence to COVID-appropriate behaviour along additional containment measures. The State Government is satisfied that the current circumstance requires additional containment measures to break the chain of transmission of COVID 19 in the State.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under the Section 24 (1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in the capacity of the Chairman, State Executive Committee, hereby directs that the containment measures issued vide orders of even number dated 03-12-2021, 26-12-2021, 04-01-2022 and its connecting orders, along with additional containment measures, as below, **will remain in force upto 5 am of 31-01-2022** for strict implementation by Chief Commissioner BBMP, Police Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police, and other Heads of Departments and Authorities.

1. Outside Bengaluru Urban District, the Deputy Commissioners, in consultation of Health and Education Department officers in the

District, considering Taluka as a unit, after assessing the prevalence of COVID 19 cases in the Schools, including residential schools, and colleges in the respective Taluka may decide on closure/functioning of any school/college.

2. All rallies, dharnas, protests are prohibited. However, Marriage functions are permitted to be conducted involving not more than 200 people in open spaces and 100 people in closed places strictly adhering to COVID 19 appropriate behaviour and prevailing guidelines issued by State Government.
3. Public transport including BMRCL shall operate as per the seating capacity only.
4. It is reiterated that the Chief Commissioner BBMP and Deputy Commissioners of the Districts based on their assessment of the situation may impose additional containment measures as deemed necessary in their jurisdictions.
5. There shall be intensive surveillance at the border of Maharashtra, Kerala and Goa as per the prevailing circular/guidelines issued by Department of Health and family Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka.
- 6. Strict enforcement of the guidelines**
 - a) Chief Commissioner BBMP/Deputy Commissioners/District Superintendents of Police shall strictly enforce COVID appropriate behaviour and containment measures issued vide aforementioned orders. For the enforcement of social distancing, Commissioners of Police/Deputy Commissioners may, use the provisions of Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) of 1973.
 - b) 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.


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Chief Secretary and Chairman,
State Executive Committee

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