



Government of Odisha
Office of Special Relief Commissioner

No. 7395 /R&DM(DM)

Date: **31-12-2020**

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ORDER

Whereas, the State is passing through a critical stage of COVID-19 pandemic and it is necessary to strictly adhere to COVID-19 safety protocols for containment of spread of the infection;

And whereas, in view of the new variant of SARS- CoV 2 virus detected which is spreading and growing rapidly in United Kingdom (UK), the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) has issued SOP dated 22nd December, 2020 for stringent Epidemiological Surveillance and Response;

And whereas, the State Government vide Order No.6691/R&DM(DM) dated 30.11.2020, have prohibited large congregations in the State till December 31, 2020;

And whereas, keeping the above in mind the State Government, vide order No.7380/R&DM(DM) dated 30.12.2020 have prohibited all congregation in public places including hotels, restaurants, clubs, parks, convention halls, kalyan mandaps, etc. for Zero Night Celebration/ Welcome to New Year/ similar other function on 31st December, 2020 and 1st January, 2021.

And whereas, usually there is movement of people in large number for celebration to Welcome the New Year in the night hours of 31st December 2020, which is detrimental to containment and prevention of spread of COVID-19 infections;

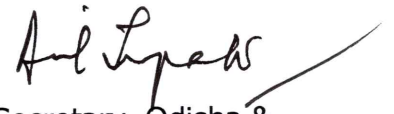
And whereas, considering the above, the State Government have directed in public interest to prohibit such movement of people on 31st December, 2020;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 24(I) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 read with rule 8(1) of the Odisha Disaster Management Rules, 2010, the undersigned hereby directs that **all shops, commercial establishments, offices, institutions and movement of individuals shall remain closed/ prohibited between 10.00 PM of 31st December, 2020 and to 05.00 AM of 1st January, 2021 throughout the State** except for essential activities. District Collectors and Police Commissioner, Bhubaneswar-Cuttack shall issue orders under appropriate provisions of law, such as curfew u/s 144 of Cr.PC in their respective jurisdictions and ensure strict compliance.

The restriction shall not apply to:

- i. District & Municipal Administration/ Police/ Fire Services/ other State/ Central Government offices/ officials on emergency duty
- ii. Defence/ Central Armed Police Forces on duty
- iii. All medical establishments including Govt. and private hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, including medicine stores.
- iv. Movement of ambulance and all medical personnel including Doctors & Paramedics on duty; Owner/ staff of chemist shops
- v. Any person on medical or other emergency
- vi. Staff of IT and ITes companies on production of their ID cards
- vii. Telecom Services including their maintenance offices and movement of associated personnel
- viii. Early Warning Agencies including IMD
- ix. Disaster Management establishments
- xiv. Water supply, sanitation and sewerage workers on duty
- xvi. Power generation, transmission and distribution
- xvii. Movement of air, sea and rail transport. Operations of Airports, Railway Stations, Bus Terminals and their associated offices, movement of associated personnel and activities
- xviii. Movement of transiting vehicles on highways
- xix. Movement of goods and goods carriers, whether loaded or unloaded
- xx. Movement of public transport, private vehicles and taxis to and from airports, railway station
- xxi. Petrol pumps, CNG Stations and LPG, including their bottling, distribution and retail outlets

Any person found violating this order shall be punished under the provisions of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and other relevant laws.



Chief Secretary, Odisha &
Chairperson, State Executive
Committee

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Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.
(Disaster Management)

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