

OFFICE OF DISTRICT MAGISTRATE KANGRA AT DHARAMSHALA

No. 4171 - SK/DM

Dated 07th December/2021

UNDER SECTION 34 OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT 2005

WHEREAS, the winter session of Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha is scheduled in Tapovan, District Kangra w.e.f. 10th December, 2021 to 15th December, 2021;

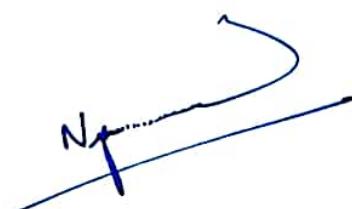
WHEREAS, during the Winter session of Vidhan Sabha, a large number of VVIPs/VIPs/Dignitaries/Officers are expected to visit/stay in District Kangra along with general public and a number of requests have been received from various delegations for meeting the dignitaries;

WHEREAS, the recent Omicron variant of COVID-19 has been classified as Variant of Concern by the World Health Organization and COVID positive cases of this variant has already been reported in some of the States of India which necessitates strict adherence with COVID safety protocol to curtail the spread of Omicron variant in District Kangra during this period;

WHEREAS, it is an established and proven fact that vaccination and adherence to the COVID safety protocols is the only way to restrict the probability of spread of the pandemic;

WHEREAS, I am of the view that in order to restrict the spread of COVID-19 due to large gatherings/crowd during the winter session of Vidhan Sabha, there is a need to manage the movement of general public to ensure safety against ongoing pandemic and accordingly there are sufficient grounds available under section 34 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 to issue certain preventive guidelines

THEREFORE, I, Dr. Nipun Jindal, Chairman, District Disaster Management Authority-cum-District Magistrate, Kangra in welfare of the public at large and in exercise of the powers vested in me under section 34 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 do hereby order and direct that:



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1. In order to ensure the implementation of COVID safety protocols during the winter session of Vidhan Sabha and to avoid overcrowding at single place, the Dari Mela Ground and College Ground Dharamshala are hereby notified as holding areas and for proper crowd and traffic management:-
 - a) Superintendent of Police, Kangra shall establish Control Rooms and Help Desks at holding areas for the convenience of general public,
 - b) Superintendent of Police, Kangra shall deploy adequate number of police force for traffic and crowd management at both the aforesaid holding areas,
 - c) Superintendent of Police shall ensure establishment of Check Posts at the strategic locations to control the movement of delegations in stage carriage vehicles in order to avoid large gatherings at holding areas. Such delegations shall be allowed to move in a staggered manner,
 - d) Regional Manager, HRTC shall deploy electric buses in both the holding areas for the movement of general public from holding area to Vidhan Sabha and Back.
 - e) All the persons/organisations desirous of holding demonstrations shall obtain permission from the Superintendent of Police Kangra along with the allocation of time slot and holding area for the purpose of holding such demonstration.
2. No movement of persons/delegations in personal vehicles shall be permitted from holding area to Vidhan Sabha area except those with the approval of competent authority.
3. Superintendent Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag shall ensure uninterrupted drinking water supply through water taps/ tanks to the general public at holding areas as mentioned above.
4. Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Dharamshala shall ensure toilet facilities for the general public at the holding areas as mentioned above.

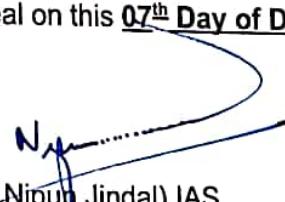
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5. Superintendent Engineer, PWD shall deploy JCBs/Snow clearing machines well in advance in case of snowfall to facilitate road clearance and smooth plying of traffic.
6. Superintendent Engineer, HPPWD (Mechanical), at Dharamshala and Regional Manager, HRTC, shall ensure pre- placement of tow vehicles at strategic locations in order to manage traffic, in consultation with the Superintendent of Police, Kangra
7. Commandant, Home Guards, at Dharamshala shall deploy adequate number of Fire Tenders at strategic locations after consultation with Superintendent of Police, Kangra,
8. Chief Medical Officer, Kangra shall constitute Medical Quick Response Team for Vidhan Sabha Session and these holding areas with all necessary human resource, medicines, equipments and shall ensure availability of ambulances for any emergency situation.

COMPLIANCE to this order shall be ensured by the Superintendent of Police, Kangra, Superintendent Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag, Municipal Corporation, Superintendent Engineer, HPPWD (Mechanical), Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamshala, Chief Medical Officer, Kangra, Regional Manager, HRTC, Commandant Home Guards, at Dharamshala and all Sector Magistrates as per Annexure-1.

ISSUED under my hand and seal on this 07th Day of December, 2021



(Dr. Nipun Jindal) IAS
Chairman DDMA-cum-District Magistrate
District Kangra at Dharamshala

Endst. No. as above

Date 07th December/2021

Copy forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:

1. Divisional Commissioner Kangra

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2. Senior Superintendent of Police, District Kangra
3. Superintendent Engineer, Jal Shakti Vibhag,
4. Superintendent Engineer, HPPWD (Mechanical),
5. Sub Divisional Magistrate, Dharamshala
6. Chief Medical Officer, District Kangra
7. All Sector Magistrates, for Winter Session of Vidhan Sabha (Annexure-1)
8. Commandant Home Guards, at Dharamshala
9. All Concerned Officers of State and Centre Government in District Kangra
10. DPRO Kangra for wide publicity
11. DIO Kangra with the request to upload the order on official website of the District Administration

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Chairman DDMA cum-District Magistrate
District Kangra at Dharamshala