Governor promulgates ordinance to regulate salaries and allowances

A Spokesperson of the State Government said here today that the Governor of Himachal Pradesh has promulgated an ordinance 'The Himachal Pradesh Regulation of Salaries and Allowances of different categories in Certain Exigencies Ordinance, 2020' to regulate the salaries of different categories in certain exigencies arising out of coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

He said that this ordinance has been promulgated for reduction of salaries and allowances of Ministers, Speaker and Members of Legislative Assembly by 30 percent for a period of one year commencing from 1st April, 2020. The salaries and allowances of other dignitaries viz: Chairman, Vice-Chairman or any other political appointee shall also be reduced by 30 percent for a period of one year commencing from 1st April, 2020.

He said that coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic has necessitated the importance of expeditious relief and assistance and therefore, it is expedient to take certain emergent measures to prevent and contain the spread of said pandemic, adding that to manage and control burgeoning situation, it has become necessary to raise resources by reduction of salaries and allowances of the above categories.

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