Important Order from the Office of District Collector East

Date: 18-Apr-2020

PROHIBITORY ORDER US 144 CrPc, 1973

Dated: 18/04/2020

In supersession to order issued by the undersigned vide order no. 1821/(DC(E)/2020 u/s 144 (1) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 in the East Sikkim District, I, Raj Yadav, IAS, District Magistrate, East hereby direct the following:

A. Complete Safety Restrictions:

1. The following activities shall continue to remain prohibited/closed across the district until 3rd May, 2020 or till further order:
   i. Public transport including buses and taxis, except with specific permission.
   ii. Inter-district and inter-State movement of individuals except for medical reasons or for activities permitted under this order.
   iii. All educational, training, coaching institutions, etc. except online/distance teaching.
   iv. All industrial and commercial activities except those specifically permitted and mentioned in this order.
   v. Hospital, services except those specifically permitted under this order.
   vi. All public places including cinema halls, malls, shopping complexes, gymnasiums, sports complexes, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theaters, bars and restaurants, assembly halls and similar places.
   vii. All social/political/religious/celebrations/academic/cultural/religious functions and other gatherings.
   viii. All religious places/places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.
   ix. In case of funerals, congregation of not more than twenty persons shall be permitted.

2. All shops, hotels, restaurants, commercial establishments, private offices, workshops and godowns shall remain closed till 3rd May, 2020 or till further order, except the following:
   a. Law Enforcement agencies, Police, Armed Forces & Paramilitary Forces, private security services and all Government offices.
   b. All Health Services viz. hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, chemists, pharmacies, dispensaries and all kinds of medicine shops including Jan Aushadi Kendras and medical laboratories and their transportation.
   c. Veterinary Hospitals and dispensaries and their transportation.
   d. Manufacturing units of drugs, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, medical oxygen, their packaging material, raw material and intermediates, construction of medical/health infrastructure and their transportation.
   e. All agricultural and related activities including farming operations, crop plantation, marketing of agricultural produce, Custom Hing Centres related to farm machinery, Rural Marketing Centres and their transportation.
   f. Fisheries related activities including feeding, & maintenance, harvesting, processing, packaging, cold chain, and marketing of fish product and their transportation.
   g. Animal husbandry related activities including collection, processing, distribution and sale of milk & milk products by milk processing plants, poultry farms, hatcheries and livestock farming, animal shelter homes & animal feed manufacturing and their transportation.
   h. Banks, ATMs & Insurance companies and their transportation.
   i. Social sector activities including operation of Homes for children, differently-abled, mentally challenged, senior citizens, destitute, women, widows, observation homes, after care homes, places of safety for juveniles, operation of Anganwadi to distribute food and nutrition at the discretion of beneficiaries.
j. MNREGA works with strict implementation of norms of social distancing and wearing of face masks.

k. Electricity, Water, Sanitation Services and other works of Urban Local Bodies and Rural Local Bodies (Parishiyats) and Conservancy Services and their transportation.

l. Operation of telecommunication, Internet and Postal Services, courier services and their transportation.

m. Shops for PDS, groceries, vegetables, fruits, meat, fish, bread & milk, medicines, licensed liquor shops & vendors and the service for storage and transportation of required items. These shops shall be opened from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. This restriction shall not apply to loading/unloading of essential commodities.

n. Petrol pumps, LPG cylinders, oil & gas sector and Sikkim Milk Union & its outlets and their godowns and transportation.

o. Generation, transmission and distribution of power and their transportation.

p. Print, Electronic and Social Media, DTH and cable services, IT and IT Enabled Services and their transportation.

q. Manufacturing units engaged in production of essential commodities, stores, godowns, ration shops, e-commerce companies engaged for home delivery of essential goods and their transportation.

r. Home delivery and transportation of all essential goods, pharmaceuticals, medical equipments, LPG cylinders, groceries, vegetables, fruits, milk and dairy products, meat, except cooked food shall be allowed from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.

s. Operation of industrial units operating in rural areas outside the municipal limits following the SOPs prescribed by Government of India for offices, workplace, factories and establishments.

t. Construction activities e.g. construction of roads, irrigation projects, buildings and all kinds of industrial projects, including MSMEs, in rural areas both Government and private.

u. Continuation of works in construction projects, within the limits of municipal corporations and municipalities, where workers are available on site and no workers are required to be brought in from outside (in situ construction). However, no new construction shall be started.

v. Any other production and manufacturing units requiring continuous process may continue after obtaining prior approval of the Government.

w. Establishments being used for quarantine facilities and transit camps and their transportation.

x. Services provided by self-employed persons e.g. electricians, IT repairs, plumbers, motor mechanics and carpenters at site only. However, shops of such self-employed persons shall remain closed.

3. The Prohibitory Order u/s 144 CPC, 1973 issued vide Order No. 1812/DCE/V2020 dated 10/04/2020 regarding the opening of identified Medical Shops in the district from 09:00 A.M. to 07:00 P.M. shall remain in force till 3rd May, 2020 or till further orders. All other Medical Shops shall remain open from 09:00 A.M. to 04:00 P.M.

4. The Prohibitory Order u/s 144 CPC, 1973 issued vide Order No. 1816/DCE/V2020 dated 09/04/2020 regarding the opening of identified Tyre Repair Shops in the district from 09:00 A.M. to 04:00 P.M. shall remain in force till 3rd May, 2020 or till further orders.

B. Restriction on inter-state movement:

5. The complete ban on inter-state movement through Ranagho Check Post of private vehicles, buses, taxis, two-wheelers and on foot except vehicles engaged in law enforcement, emergency services/teams and supply of essential commodities (food grains, ration, medicines, milk, etc.) shall remain till 3rd May, 2020 or till further orders. Officials posted at Ranagho Checkposts shall ensure smooth movement of vehicles carrying essential commodities to the State of Sikkim. Further, they shall also provide full support to the officials of Food and Civil Supplies Department posted at Ranagho Checkpoint to ensure the same.

6. All vehicles engaged in the transportation of essential commodities shall compulsorily bear the pass/permits obtained from the concerned Sub Divisional Magistrate, Block Development Officer, authorized officer of Food & Civil Supplies Department, authorized officer of the Oil Marketing Companies (for petroleum products) and authorized officer for Cash Vans at RTMs and shall pass through Ranagho Checkpost.

13. All employees and labourers of industries, under construction projects, commercial establishments, hotels, restaurants and manufacturing units shall not be allowed to leave the station during this period.

D. Quarantine Instructions:

14. All foreign returnees and other such persons so required by Health Department authorities are directed to remain under strict home quarantine or facility quarantine for a period as decided by local Health authorities. Any person refusing to cooperate with the directions of the Health authorities shall be prosecuted u/s 188 and 270 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 in addition to the breach of this order.

This Order shall come into force with effect from 20th April, 2020 in the entire area of East Sikkim district and shall remain in force till 3rd May, 2020 or till further orders.

Given under my hand and seal on this the 18th of April, 2020.

Raj Yadav IAS
District Magistrate, East Sikkim

Copy to:
1. The Chief Secretary, Government of Sikkim – for kind information
2. The District Magistrate, North / South/West Sikkim - for information and necessary action
3. The District Magistrate, Darjeeling/Kalimpong - for information and necessary action
4. The Superintendent of Police, East- for information and necessary action
5. All Sub Divisional Magistrates and Block Development Officers of East Sikkim- For necessary information
6. The SHO, Ranagho PS- for information and necessary action
7. DGO/DFS- for wide publicity
7. All Government, private vehicles and taxis shall be allowed to leave Sikkim only in cases of emergency through Rangpo Check Post after showing necessary permits issued by the concerned ADMs & SDMs.

8. All persons including drivers and helpers crossing (entry & exit) Rangpo Checkpost shall mandatorily install Aarogya Setu app on their smart phones. Installation of Aarogya Setu app shall be mandatory for obtaining E-Pass or physical pass also. Police personnel and officials engaged at Rangpo Checkpost shall ensure the installation of Aarogya Setu app before allowing any entry.

9. All drivers and helpers entering the district from outside the state and transporting essential commodities, goods and other items shall leave the district after unloading the consignment/materials as far as practicable. In case such drivers and helpers are unable to leave the district they shall compulsorily stay at the identified Transit Camps as follows. All drivers and helpers shall bring their own bedding materials for their stay in the Transit Camps. All Pharmaceutical and other companies may arrange Transit Camps for drivers and helpers transporting essential commodities at their premises. Police personnel shall ensure that the drivers and helpers maintain social distancing while unloading of materials and report at the Transit Camp immediately.

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C. Restriction on intra-state movement:

10. Any assembly of five or more persons shall be prohibited in the entire area of East Sikkim district. People are required to stay at home and come out for basic services while strictly following social distancing guidelines issued earlier.

11. All other vehicular movement excluding the transportation, loading/unloading of essential commodities, medical emergency, pharmaceutical companies, officials of Government, PSUs & Banks, Press & Media personnel, telecom & Internet, All India Radio, Doordarshan, Cable TV networks, commissioned hydro power projects, and law enforcement agencies within the district, shall be only between 6:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. everyday. The passes issued by the Sub-Divisional Magistrates, Block Development Officers and other authorized oficers for intra-state movement shall be valid only up to 5:00 P.M.

12. E-passes for inter-state and intra-state movement of vehicles for all purposes including carriage of essential commodities and medical emergencies shall be issued by the Additional District Magistrate/Sub Divisional Magistrates on receipt of application received through covid9sikkim.org. However, in case of exigencies, physical passes shall also be issued by the authorized officials.