Prohibitory Order U/S 144 CrPc, 1973

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PROHIBITORY ORDER U/S 144 CrPc, 1973

In supersession to order issued by the undersigned vide order no. 427/DM dated 03/04/2020 u/s 144 (1) of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 in the West District Sikkim, I, Karka & Ilam, TAS, District Magistrate, West 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 taxi, 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) Hospitality services except those specifically permitted under this order.
   vi) All public places including cinema halls, malls, shopping complexes, gymnastics, sports complexes, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theaters, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places.
   vii) All social/political/spiritual/entertainment/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:
   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, tea plantation, marketing of agricultural produce, Custom Hiring 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.
6. 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. However, in case of exigencies, physical passes or soft copy of passes via WhatsApp messages shall also be issued by the authorized officials. Passes issued by various authorities till date shall also remain valid.

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

C. Quarantine Instructions:

8. All foreign returnees and other such persons as 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 West District, Sikkim and shall remain in force till 3rd May, 2020 or till further orders.

Given under my hand and seal on this 19th of April, 2020.

Karma R. Bumro/IAS
District Magistrate cum District Collector,
District Pasighat (West)

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 Superintendent of Police, West for information and necessary action
4. All Sub Divisional Magistrates and Block Development Officers of West Sikkim for n.a
5. DETR/LR - for wide publicity
B. Restriction on intra-state movement:

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

4. There shall be no restriction on the movement of vehicles carrying Essential Commodities. Construction materials, ICDS rations, Milk, Medical emergencies, pharmaceutical companies, officials of State Government, PM's & Banks, Press & Media personnel, telecom & internet, Power, All India Radio, Doordarshan, Cable TV, networks, commissioned hydro power projects, and law enforcement agencies within the district provided they possess valid passes.

5. All other vehicular movement apart from Point 3 above for which passes have been issued by the Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Block Development Officers and other authorized officers for intra-state movement shall be only between 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM every day.