

# જાહેરનામું

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ગૃહ વિભાગ, સચિવાલય,  
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તા.૧૮/૦૫/૨૦૨૦.

**ક્રમાંક : ૭૭/૨૭/૨૦૨૦/વિ-૧/કઅવ/૧૦૨૦૨૦/૪૮૨**

સમગ્ર દેશમાં COVID-19ની અસરોને નિયંત્રિત કરવાના હેતુથી, The Disaster Management Act, 2005થી મળેલ સત્તા અન્વયે કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા. ૨૪.૦૩.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ ક્ર. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A)થી સમગ્ર દેશમાં તા.૨૫.૦૩.૨૦૨૦ થી ૨૧ દિવસ સુધી આવશ્યક સેવાઓ સિવાયની તમામ સેવાઓ મોકુફ રાખવામાં આવેલ. ત્યાર બાદ કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા.૧૫/૦૪/૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ ક્રમાંક: 40-3/2020-DM-I(A)થી આવશ્યક સેવાઓ સિવાયની તમામ સેવાઓ તા.૧૫.૦૪.૨૦૨૦ થી તા.૦૩.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ સુધી મોકુફ રાખવા નિર્ણય લેવામાં આવેલ. ત્યાર બાદ કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલય દ્વારા તા.૦૧.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ ક્રમાંક ક્ર.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) થી સમગ્ર દેશમાં તા.૦૪.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ થી વધુ બે સપ્તાહ માટે એટલે કે તા.૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ સુધી lock downની અવધિ લંબાવવામાં આવેલ. જે અન્વયે ગૃહ વિભાગના તા:૩.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના જાહેરનામા ક્રમાંક : ૭૭/૨૪/૨૦૨૦/વિ-૧/કઅવ/૧૦૨૦૨૦/૪૮૨થી જરૂરી હુકમો કરવામાં આવેલ.

૨. પ્રવર્તમાન સંજોગોમાં રાજ્યની પરિસ્થિતિ લક્ષમાં લેતાં તા.૦૩.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના જાહેરનામાથી કરવામાં આવેલ હુકમો તા. ૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના જાહેરનામા ક્રમાંક : ૭૭/૨૬/૨૦૨૦/વિ-૧/કઅવ/૧૦૨૦૨૦/ ૪૮૨થી તા.૧૮.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના ૨૪.૦૦ કલાક સુધી લંબાવવામાં આવેલ છે..

૩. સમગ્ર દેશમાં COVID-19ની અસરો ધ્યાને લેતાં National Disaster Management Authorityના નિર્દેશો મુજબ કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા:૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ ક્રમાંક ક્ર. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) થી સમગ્ર દેશમાં તા.૧૮.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ થી વધુ બે સપ્તાહ માટે એટલે કે તા.૩૧.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ સુધી lock downની અવધિ લંબાવવામાં આવી છે. કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા.૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ સાથેની માર્ગદર્શિકાઓનો ચૂસ્તપણે અમલ કરવાનો રહે છે .

૪. આથી કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા:૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ અનુસાર સમગ્ર રાજ્યમાં તા.૧૮.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના ૦૦.૦૦ કલાકથી તા. ૩૧.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના ૨૪.૦૦ કલાક સુધી lock downની અવધિ લંબાવવામાં આવે છે.

૫. કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના તા:૧૭.૦૫.૨૦૨૦ના હુકમ ક્રમાંક ક્ર. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) અને તે સાથેની માર્ગદર્શિકાઓ ધ્યાને લેતા નીચે મુજબ હુકમ કરવામાં આવે છે.

1. All the activities mentioned in the para-2 of the Ministry of Home Affairs' Guidelines dated 17.05.2020 shall remain prohibited throughout the State.
2. Only essential services to be allowed in containment zones across Gujarat between 8 AM to 3 PM.
3. All other economic activities are allowed (except the negative list below) in non-containment zones. Shops, establishments and industries to be opened between 8 AM to 4 PM only. Industries with lock in facilities and industries with continuous processes to be allowed to operate ensuring that no movement of workers takes place. This is to ensure that a strict curfew from

7 PM to 7 AM is followed across the state as per the directives of MHA, Government of India.

4. For cluster of shops in a market area/shopping complexes, shops having odd property number will remain open on odd dates and shops having even property number will remain open on even dates. (Not more than 5 persons allowed inside the shop at any given point of time). Shops with multiple property numbers will be open on odd days. Standalone & neighborhood shops may operate daily.
5. Workers/ Employees/Shop owners whose home/house is in containment zones will not be allowed to leave containment zones
6. Ahmedabad Western area (west of Sabarmati River) will be opened for economic activity outside containment zones. No relaxation in economic activities is permitted in Eastern area of Ahmedabad.
7. GSRTC bus service will be made operational but they will not either come or go from Ahmedabad.
8. Sports complexes & Stadia will be permitted to open; however, spectators will not be allowed. Permission should be availed from local authorities.
9. The following activities shall not be relaxed in the current phase of exit plan. This list will however be reviewed from time to time.

<b>Sr. No.</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Ahmedabad</b>	<b>Surat</b>	<b>Other areas outside containment zones</b>
1.	All educational, training, research, coaching institutions	No (However, administrative office will be allowed)	No (However, administrative office will be allowed)	No (However, administrative office will be allowed)
2.	Gyms, Swimming pools, clubs, public gardens, Zoo, Water parks & Amusement parks, Archeological sites, Beaches, other tourist places	No	No	No
3.	Malls, Shops in Malls	No	No	No
4.	Single screen & multi-screen Cinema halls & Multiplexes	No	No	No
5.	All religious places/religious gatherings	No	No	No
6.	Large public gatherings of any kind	No	No	No

7.	Cultural, theatre programs	No	No	No
8.	Only 20 persons to be allowed for funerals Only 50 persons to be allowed for marriages	Yes	Yes	Yes
9.	Hotels (Except those meant for housing health/police/govt. officials/ stranded persons/ quarantine facilities.)	No	No	No
10.	Street vendors (except for vegetables)	No	No	No
11.	Pan Shops	Only takeaway allowed with Social distancing	Only takeaway allowed with Social distancing	Only takeaway allowed with Social distancing
12.	Barber/ Haircut/ Saloon/ Beauty Parlour	Allowed with Social distancing	Allowed with Social distancing	Allowed with Social distancing
13.	Libraries	Function at 60% capacity	Function at 60% capacity	Function at 60% capacity
14.	GSRTC Bus Services	No.	Yes	Yes
15.	City Bus Services	No	No	No
16.	Private bus services	No	No	No
17.	Auto Rickshaws	No. Will be considered in next phase	No. Will be considered in next phase	Yes. (1 Driver + 2 Passengers)
18.	Cabs, Taxis, Cab aggregators	Yes. (1 Driver + 2 Passengers) only in western Ahmedabad	Yes. (1 Driver + 2 Passengers)	Yes. (1 Driver + 2 Passengers)
19.	Restaurants, Eateries	Only home delivery with Social distancing	Only home delivery	Only home delivery
20.	Dhabas	Only outside city limits may serve food	Only outside city limits may serve food	Only outside city limits may serve food

21.	Private offices	Operate at 33% capacity in western Ahmedabad.	Operate at 33% capacity in Orange & Green zones.	Operate at 33% capacity
22.	Private Cars & 2 wheelers	One person in case of 2-wheeler and 1 (driver) + 2 in case of four wheelers	One person in case of 2-wheeler and 1 (driver) + 2 in case of four wheelers	One person in case of 2-wheeler and 1 (driver) + 2 in case of four wheelers
23.	All repair shops, garages, workshops and service stations	Yes	Yes	Yes

**10. The National Directives for COVID-19 as specified in Annexure- II of MHA guidelines to be followed strictly.**

Fines for non-compliance prescribed as below:-

- **Fine: Rs. 200 for not wearing a face cover in all public and work places Annexure-II(i) .**
- **Fine Rs. 200 for spitting in public as per the provisions Annexure-II(ii).**

**11. Textile Markets in Surat : To be allowed to function with odd-even rule.**

Diamond, Weaving & Power loom units may operate at 50% capacity with social distancing and other safety norms.

**12. Goods Transport movement will be allowed across the state and Inter State including empty trucks.**

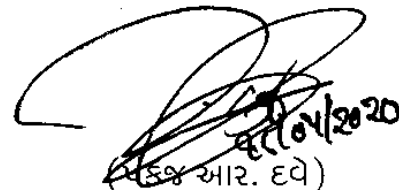
૬. ઉક્ત બાબતો સંબંધમાં Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) અલગ રીતે બહાર પાડવામાં આવશે.

૭. કેન્દ્રીય ગૃહ મંત્રાલયના વખતો-વખતના હુકમથી આપવામાં આવેલ આદેશો તથા માર્ગદર્શક સુચનાઓ આખરી રહેશે અને તમામે ચુસ્ત રીતે અમલ કરવાનો રહેશે.

૮. આ જાહેરનામાનું અસરકારક અમલીકરણ તમામે કરવાનું રહેશે.

૯. આ જાહેરનામાની જોગવાઈઓ/કેન્દ્ર સરકારની માર્ગદર્શિકાઓના ઉદ્ધેશન કરનાર વ્યક્તિ The Disaster Management Act, 2005 તેમજ The Indian Penal Code, 1860ની જોગવાઈઓ હેઠળ કાર્યવાહીને પાત્ર થશે.

ગુજરાતના રાજ્યપાલશ્રીના હુકમથી અને તેમના નામે,

  
(પ.સ. આર. દવે)  
ઉપ સચિવ(કા.વ્ય.-૧)  
ગૃહ વિભાગ

પ્રતિ,

- પ.સ. રાજ્યપાલશ્રીના અગ્ર સચિવશ્રી, રાજલવન, ગાંધીનગર. (પત્ર દ્વારા)
- રજીસ્ટ્રારશ્રી ગુજરાત હાઈકોર્ટ, સોલા, અમદાવાદ. (પત્ર દ્વારા)

- માન. મુખ્ય મંત્રીશ્રીના મુખ્ય અગ્ર સચિવશ્રી, સચિવાલય, ગાંધીનગર.
- માન. નાયબ મુખ્ય મંત્રીશ્રીના અંગત સચિવશ્રી, સચિવાલય, ગાંધીનગર.
- તમામ મંત્રીશ્રીઓના અંગત સચિવશ્રી, સચિવાલય, ગાંધીનગર.
- મુખ્ય સચિવશ્રીના અંગત સચિવશ્રી, સચિવાલય, ગાંધીનગર.
- સચિવાલયના સર્વે વિભાગો.
- પોલીસ મહાનિદેશક અને મુખ્ય પોલીસ અધિકારીશ્રી, ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, પોલીસ ભવન, ગાંધીનગર.
- ગૃહ વિભાગ હેઠળના સર્વે ખાતાના વડાઓ.
- તમામ પોલીસ કમિશ્નરશ્રીઓ
- તમામ રેન્જના વડાશ્રીઓ
- તમામ જિલ્લા મેજિસ્ટ્રેટશ્રીઓ
- તમામ મ્યુનિસિપલ કમિશ્નરશ્રીઓ
- તમામ પોલીસ અધિક્ષકશ્રીઓ
- માહિતી નિયામકશ્રી - ગુજરાત રાજ્ય, બ્લોક નં. ૧૯, ડૉ. જીપરાજ મહેતા ભવન, ગાંધીનગર  
૨/ - આ બાબતને બહોળી પ્રસિદ્ધિ મળે તે મુજબની જરૂરી કાર્યવાહી કરવાની વિનંતી સહ.
- મેનેજરશ્રી - સરકારી મુદ્રણાલય, સેક્ટર - ૩૦, ગાંધીનગર  
આ જાહેરનામાની સરકારી ગેઝેટમાં પ્રસિદ્ધિ કરી તેની રૂપ નકલો ગૃહ વિભાગ તથા આરોગ્ય અને પરિવાર કલ્યાણ વિભાગને મોકલી આપવાની વિનંતી સહ.
- સિલેક્ટ ફાઈલ - ૨૦૨૦.

**No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001  
Dated 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

**ORDER**

**Whereas**, the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) in exercise of their powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, vide their Orders dated 24.03.2020, 14.04.2020 and 01.05.2020 had directed the National Executive Committee (NEC) to take lockdown measures so as to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the country;

**Whereas**, Chairperson NEC, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, has issued Orders of even number on lockdown measures dated 24.03.2020, 29.03.2020, 14.04.2020, 15.04.2020 and 01.05.2020;

**Whereas**, save as otherwise provided in the guidelines annexed to this Order, all Orders issued by NEC under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, shall cease to have effect from 18.05.2020;

**Whereas**, in exercise of the powers under section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, NDMA has issued an Order number 1-29/2020 - PP dated 17.05.2020 directing the Chairperson, NEC that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 be continued to be implemented in all parts of the Country, for a further period upto 31.05.2020;

**Now therefore**, under directions of the aforesaid Order of NDMA dated 17.05.2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, NEC, hereby issues directions for strict implementation, to all the Ministries/ Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State/ Union Territory Authorities that lockdown measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 will continue for a period of upto 31.05.2020, as per the guidelines annexed to this Order, which will come into effect from 18.05.2020.

  
17/05/2020  
Union Home Secretary

**To:**

1. The Secretaries of Ministries/ Departments of Government of India
2. The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories  
(As per list attached)

**Copy to:**

- i. All members of the National Executive Committee.
- ii. Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.



**Guidelines on the measures to be taken by Ministries/ Departments of Government of India, State/ UT Governments and State/ UT Authorities for containment of COVID-19 in the country upto 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2020.**

**[As per Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2020]**

1. Lockdown shall continue to remain in force upto 31<sup>st</sup> May, 2020.
2. **The following activities shall continue to remain prohibited throughout the country:**
  - i. All domestic and international air travel of passengers, except for domestic medical services, domestic air ambulance and for security purposes or purposes as permitted by MHA.
  - ii. Metro rail services.
  - iii. Schools, colleges, educational/ training/ coaching institutions etc. will remain closed. Online/ distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
  - iv. Hotels, restaurants and other hospitality services, except those meant for housing health/ police/ Government officials/ healthcare workers/ stranded persons including tourists and for quarantine facilities; and running of canteens at bus depots, railway stations and airports. Restaurants shall be permitted to operate kitchens for home delivery of food items.
  - v. All cinema halls, shopping malls, gymnasiums, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres, bars and auditoriums, assembly halls and similar places. Sports complexes and stadia will be permitted to open; however, spectators will not be allowed.
  - vi. All social/ political/ sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions/ other gatherings and large congregations.
  - vii. All religious places/ places of worship shall be closed for public. Religious congregations are strictly prohibited.
3. **The following activities shall be permitted with restrictions, except in the Containment Zones:**
  - i. Inter-State movement of passenger vehicles and buses, with mutual consent of the State(s)/ UT(s) involved.
  - ii. Intra-State movement of passenger vehicles and buses, as decided by the States and UTs.
  - iii. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) for movement of persons, as mentioned in **Annexure I**, shall continue to operate.
4. **National Directives for COVID-19 Management**

National Directives for COVID 19 Management, as specified in **Annexure II**, shall be followed throughout the country.
5. **Containment, Buffer, Red, Green and Orange Zones**
  - i. The delineation of Red, Green and Orange Zones will be decided by the respective State and UT Governments, after taking into consideration the parameters shared by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Government of India (GoI).

  
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- ii. Within the Red and Orange Zones, Containment Zones and Buffer Zones will be demarcated by the District authorities, after taking into consideration the guidelines of MoHFW.
- iii. In the Containment Zones, only essential activities shall be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining supply of essential goods and services. Guidelines of MoHFW shall be taken into consideration for the above purpose.
- iv. In the Containment Zones, there shall be intensive contact tracing, house-to-house surveillance, and other clinical interventions, as required.

#### 6. **Night curfew**

The movement of individuals shall remain strictly prohibited between 7.00 pm to 7.00 am, except for essential activities. Local authorities shall issue orders, in the entire area of their jurisdiction, under appropriate provisions of law, such as prohibitory orders [Curfew] under Section 144 of CrPC, and ensure strict compliance.

#### 7. **Protection of vulnerable persons**

Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years, shall stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

#### 8. **All other activities will be permitted, except those which are specifically prohibited.**

**However, in Containment Zones, only essential activities shall be allowed, as mentioned in para 5(iii) above.**

**Further, States/ UTs, based on their assessment of the situation, may prohibit certain other activities in the various zones, or impose such restrictions as deemed necessary.**

#### 9. **Use of Aarogya Setu**

- i. *Aarogya Setu* enables early identification of potential risk of infection, and thus acts as a shield for individuals and the community.
- ii. With a view to ensuring safety in offices and work places, employers on best effort basis should ensure that *Aarogya Setu* is installed by all employees having compatible mobile phones.
- iii. District authorities may advise individuals to install the *Aarogya Setu* application on compatible mobile phones and regularly update their health status on the app. This will facilitate timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.

#### 10. **Special directions to ensure movement of persons and goods in certain cases**

- i. All States/ UTs shall allow inter-State and intra-State movement of medical professionals, nurses and para medical staff, sanitation personnel and ambulances, without any restriction.
- ii. All States/ UTs shall allow inter-State movement of all types of goods/ cargo, including empty trucks.

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iii. No State/ UT shall stop the movement of any type of goods/ cargo for cross land-border trade under Treaties with neighbouring countries.

**11. Strict enforcement of the guidelines**

- i. State/ UT Governments shall not dilute these guidelines issued under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, in any manner.
- ii. All the District Magistrates shall strictly enforce the above measures.
- iii. In order to implement these measures, the District Magistrates will deploy Executive Magistrates as Incident Commanders in the respective local jurisdictions. The Incident Commander will be responsible for the overall implementation of these measures in their respective jurisdictions.

**12. Penal provisions**

Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Sec. 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at **Annexure III**.

  
17/05/2020  
Union Home Secretary

**Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) issued by MHA**

- i. SOP on transit arrangement for foreign national(s) in India issued vide Order dated April 02, 2020.
- ii. SOP on movement of stranded labour within States/ UTs, issued vide Order dated April 19, 2020.
- iii. SOP on sign-on and sign-off of Indian seafarers, issued vide Order dated April 21, 2020.
- iv. SOP on movement of stranded migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons, issued vide Order dated April 29, 2020 and Order dated May 01, 2020.
- v. SOP on movement of Indian Nationals stranded outside the country and of specified persons to travel abroad, issued vide Order dated May 5, 2020.
- vi. SOP on movement of persons by train, issued vide Order dated May 11, 2020.

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13/5/2020

**National Directives for COVID 19 Management**

- i.** Wearing of face cover is compulsory in all public and work places.
- ii.** Spitting in public & work places shall be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations by the State/ UT local authority.
- iii.** Social distancing shall be followed by all persons in public places and in transport.
- iv.** Marriage related gathering shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum number of guests allowed shall not be more than 50.
- v.** Funeral/ last rites related gathering shall ensure social distancing, and the maximum numbers allowed shall not be more than 20.
- vi.** Consumption of liquor, *paan*, *gutka*, tobacco etc. in public places is not allowed.
- vii.** Shops will ensure minimum six feet distance (*2 gaz ki doori*) among customers and shall not allow more than 5 persons at the shop.

Additional directives for Work Places

- viii.** As far as possible, the practice of work from home should be followed.
- ix.** Staggering of work/ business hours shall be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
- x.** Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer will be made at all entry and exit points and common areas.
- xi.** Frequent sanitization of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc., shall be ensured, including between shifts.
- xii.** All persons in charge of work places shall ensure social distancing through adequate distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.

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## Offences and Penalties for Violation of Lockdown Measures

### A. Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005

**51. Punishment for obstruction, etc.**—Whoever, without reasonable cause —

- (a) obstructs any officer or employee of the Central Government or the State Government, or a person authorised by the National Authority or State Authority or District Authority in the discharge of his functions under this Act; or
- (b) refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the Central Government or the State Government or the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority under this Act,

shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine, or with both, and if such obstruction or refusal to comply with directions results in loss of lives or imminent danger thereof, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.

**52. Punishment for false claim.**—Whoever knowingly makes a claim which he knows or has reason to believe to be false for obtaining any relief, assistance, repair, reconstruction or other benefits consequent to disaster from any officer of the Central Government, the State Government, the National Authority, the State Authority or the District Authority, shall, on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

**53. Punishment for misappropriation of money or materials, etc.**—Whoever, being entrusted with any money or materials, or otherwise being, in custody of, or dominion over, any money or goods, meant for providing relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster, misappropriates or appropriates for his own use or disposes of such money or materials or any part thereof or wilfully compels any other person so to do, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

**54. Punishment for false warning.**—Whoever makes or circulates a false alarm or warning as to disaster or its severity or magnitude, leading to panic, shall on conviction, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine.

**55. Offences by Departments of the Government.**—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by any Department of the Government, the head of the Department shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a Department of the Government and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any officer, other than the head of the Department, such officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.



**56. Failure of officer in duty or his connivance at the contravention of the provisions of this Act.**—Any officer, on whom any duty has been imposed by or under this Act and who ceases or refuses to perform or withdraws himself from the duties of his office shall, unless he has obtained the express written permission of his official superior or has other lawful excuse for so doing, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine.

**57. Penalty for contravention of any order regarding requisitioning.**—If any person contravenes any order made under section 65, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

**58. Offence by companies.**—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company or body corporate, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, and it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also, be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

*Explanation.*—For the purpose of this section—

- (a) “company” means anybody corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
- (b) “director”, in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

**59. Previous sanction for prosecution.**—No prosecution for offences punishable under sections 55 and 56 shall be instituted except with the previous sanction of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, or of any officer authorised in this behalf, by general or special order, by such Government.

**60. Cognizance of offences.**—No court shall take cognizance of an offence under this Act except on a complaint made by—

- (a) the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be; or
- (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised as aforesaid.

## **B. Section 188 in the Indian Penal Code, 1860**

**188.** Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant.—Whoever, knowing that, by an order promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, he is directed to abstain from a certain act, or to take certain order with certain property in his possession or under his management, disobeys such direction, shall, if such disobedience causes or tends to cause obstruction, annoyance or injury, or risk of obstruction, annoyance or injury, to any person lawfully employed, be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both; and if such disobedience causes or trends to cause danger to human life, health or safety, or causes or tends to cause a riot or affray, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

*Explanation.*—It is not necessary that the offender should intend to produce harm, or contemplate his disobedience as likely to produce harm. It is sufficient that he knows of the order which he disobeys, and that his disobedience produces, or is likely to produce, harm.

### *Illustration*

An order is promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, directing that a religious procession shall not pass down a certain street. A knowingly disobeys the order, and thereby causes danger of riot. A has committed the offence defined in this section.

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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001

Dated 2<sup>nd</sup> April, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 24<sup>th</sup> March, 25<sup>th</sup> March and 27<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(1) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby issues the 3<sup>rd</sup> Addendum to guidelines, as Annexed to the said Orders issued to Ministries/ Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State/ Union Territory Authorities with the directions for their strict implementation.

  
Home Secretary

To

1. The Secretaries of Ministries/ Departments of Government of India
2. The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories  
**(As per list attached)**

**Copy to:**

- i) All members of the National Executive Committee.
- ii) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.

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**Subject : 3<sup>rd</sup> Addendum to Guidelines annexed to the Ministry of Home Affairs Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 24.03.2020**

**A. Addition of sub-clause (g) in exception to clause 6**

- (g) Transit arrangements for foreign national(s) in India.  
**(as per attached SOP)**

**B. Addition of sub-clause (a) in exception to clause 12**

- (a) Release of quarantined persons, who have arrived in India after 15.2.2020, after expiry of their quarantine period and being tested Covid-19 negative **(as per attached SOP)**.

  
**Home Secretary** 24/3/2020



**No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A)**  
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**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) FOR TRANSIT ARRANGEMENTS FOR FOREIGN NATIONALS STRANDED IN INDIA**

**Sub-Clause (g) in exception to clause 6**

It has been brought to the notice of this Ministry that a number of foreign nationals are stranded in different parts of the country, due to the lockdown measures. Some foreign countries have approached Government of India for evacuation of their nationals to their countries.

2. In view of the above, it has now been decided that requests received from foreign governments, for evacuation of their nationals from India, would be examined by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA), Government of India on case to case basis. In cases where such requests are endorsed by MEA, the following protocol would be observed:

- i) The chartered flight would be arranged by the concerned foreign government in consultation with the Ministry of Civil Aviation, Government of India.
- ii) Prior to departure, the foreign national(s) would be screened for COVID-19 symptoms as per the standard health protocol. Only those foreign national(s) would be allowed to leave, who are asymptomatic for COVID-19. In case of symptomatic person(s), the future course of treatment would be followed, as per the standard health protocol.
- iii) The local transportation arrangements from the place of stay of the foreign national(s) to the point of embarkation would be arranged by the local Embassy/Consulate of the respective foreign government.
- iv) The transit pass for movement of the vehicle deployed for movement of the foreign national(s) would be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the foreign national(s) is/are staying.
- v) The transit pass, as issued above, would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/Union Territories along the transit route.

**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE FOR RELEASE OF QUARANTINED PERSONS, AFTER EXPIRY OF QUARANTINE PERIOD AND TESTED COVID-19 NEGATIVE**

**Sub-Clause (A) in exception to clause 12**

With a view to preventing spread of COVID-19 and as a measure of abundant precaution, persons returning from foreign locations after 15.2.2020 had been quarantined in government/government-arranged facilities. In respect of these persons, the following protocol would be observed after completion of the specified mandatory quarantine period:

- i) Person(s) testing negative for COVID-19, and as per standard health protocol, would be released from the said quarantine facility(ies). However, this will not apply to a group, where even one person tests positive for COVID-19.
- ii) These persons are expected to return to their homes, or to the homes of their families/relatives/friends or to other places of shelter like hotels, etc., by making their own transport arrangements.
- iii) The transit pass for movement of vehicle(s), being used by such person(s), would be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where they have been quarantined.
- iv) The transit pass will be issued for fixed route and with specified validity and such person(s) shall follow the same.
- v) The transit pass, as issued above, would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/Union Territories along the transit route.
- vi) As a measure of abundant caution, upon returning to their destination such persons would home quarantine themselves for a further period of 14 days as per standard protocol on the matter.
- vii) Details of person(s) released from quarantine, along with their destination, will be shared with the concerned State/UT Government for necessary follow up.

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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001

Dated 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2020, 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 and 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby issues a Standard Operating Protocol (SOP), for **movement of stranded labour within the State/UT** as **Annexed** herewith, to Ministries/ Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State /Union Territory Authorities with the directions for its strict implementation.

  
Home Secretary 19/04/2020

**To: (As per list attached)**

1. The Secretaries of Ministries /Departments of Government of India.
2. The Chief Secretaries/ Administrators of States/Union Territories.

**Copy to:**

- i) All Members of the National Executive Committee.
- ii) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.

## Standard Operating System (SOP) for movement of Stranded Labour

Due to the spread of COVID-19 virus, workers employed in industry, agriculture, construction and other sectors have moved from their respective places of work, and are housed in relief/ shelter camps being run by State/ UT Governments. Since additional new activities, outside the containment zones, have been permitted in the consolidated revised guidelines with effect from 20<sup>th</sup> April 2020, these workers could be engaged in industrial, manufacturing, construction, farming and MNREGA works. In order to facilitate their movement within the State/UT, the following guidelines may be followed:

- i. The migrant labourers currently residing in relief/ shelter camps in States/ UTs should be registered with the concerned local Authority and their skill mapping be carried out to find out their suitability for various kinds of works.
  - ii. In the event, that a group of migrants wish to return to their places of work, within the State where they are presently located, they would be screened and those who are asymptomatic would be transported to their respective places of work.
  - iii. ***It may be noted that there shall be no movement of labour outside the State/UT from where they are currently located.***
  - iv. During the journey by bus, it would be ensured that safe social distancing norms are followed and the buses used for transport are sanitized as per the guidelines of the Health authorities.
  - v. The National Directives for COVID-19 Management issued under the consolidated revised guidelines dated 15<sup>th</sup> April 2020 shall be strictly followed.
  - vi. The local authorities shall also provide for food and water etc., for the duration of their journey.
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North Block, New Delhi-110001  
Dated 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) Dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby orders **to include** the following in the consolidated revised guidelines for strict implementation by Ministries/ Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State/ Union Territory Authorities:

- I. **Sub-clause (ix), (x) & (xi) under Clause 6 'A' on All Agricultural and horticultural activities:**
  - ix. Facilities for export/ import such as Pack houses, inspection and treatment facilities for seeds and horticulture produce.
  - x. Research Establishments dealing with the agriculture and horticulture activities.
  - xi. Inter and intra State movement of planting materials and honey bee colonies, honey and other beehive products.
- II. **Sub-clause (xi) and (xii) under Clause 14 on Commercial and private establishments:**
  - xi. Shops of educational books for students.
  - xii. Shops of electric fans.
- III. **Sub-clause (iii) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons:**
  - iii. Sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose as *per attached Standard Operating Protocol (SOP)*.
- IV. **Clause 19 (v) on Forest offices includes forestry plantation and related activities, including Silviculture operations.**

  
Home Secretary 21/04/2020

To

1. The Secretaries of Ministries/ Departments of Government of India
2. The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories

(As per list attached)

Copy to:

1. All members of the National Executive Committee.
2. Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.

**Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for sign-on and sign-off of Indian Seafarers at Indian Ports and their movement for the aforesaid purpose**

**[As per Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2020]**

Change of crew of ship (seafarers) is an important measure for operation of merchant ships. This SoP has been formulated to streamline the sign-on/sign-off of Indian Seafarer at Indian Ports for merchant shipping vessels. The following guidelines may be followed:

**I. For Sign-on**

- i. Ship owner/ Recruitment and Placement Service (RPS) agency will identify the Indian seafarers for joining a vessel.
- ii. The seafarers will intimate their travel and contact history for last 28 days to the ship owner /RPS agency by email, as per procedure laid down by Director General of Shipping (DGS).
- iii. The seafarer would be examined by a DGS approved medical examiner, as per the guidelines prescribed for this purpose. At the same time, the seafarer shall also be screened, and his travel and contact history examined for the last 28 days; seafarers found to be asymptomatic for COVID-19 and otherwise suitable may be processed for sign-on.
- iv. The local authority in the area where the seafarer resides will be intimated about his clearance for sign-on and for issue of a transit pass from the place of residence to the place of embarkation on the shipping vessel.
- v. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the seafarer resides.
- vi. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/ Union Territory along the transit route.
- vii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol, would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.
- viii. At the port of embarkation, the seafarer shall be tested for COVID-19; the seafarer would be ready for sign-on only if the COVID-19 test is negative, failing which, action as per guidelines of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) would be taken.

**II. For Sign-off**

- i. The master of a vessel, coming from any foreign port, or a coastal vessel from any Indian port, while arriving at its port of call in India, shall ascertain the state of health of each person on board the vessel and submit the Maritime Declaration of Health to the health authorities of the port and to the port authorities. In addition, the information required by the local health authorities of the port, like temperature chart, individual health declaration, etc. shall also be provided by the master as per the directives of the health





authorities of the port. Port health authorities shall grant pratique to the vessel prior to berthing as per necessary health protocols.

- ii. The Indian seafarer arriving on the vessel would undergo the COVID-19 test for confirmation that he/ she is negative for COVID-19. After disembarking and till the time the seafarer reaches the testing facility, within the port premises, it will be ensured by the ship owner that all safety precautions as per standard health protocol are observed.
- iii. Till the time test reports of the seafarer are received, the seafarer shall be kept in the quarantine facility by the Port/ State Health Authorities.
- iv. If the seafarer is tested as positive for COVID-19, he/ she will be dealt with as per the procedures laid down by MoHFW.
- v. For the seafarer tested negative and signed off, the Local Authority in the area where the seafarer disembarks will be intimated about his/ her clearance for sign-off, and for issue of a transit pass from the place of disembarkation to the place of his/ her residence.
- vi. The transit pass for such movement by road, for the seafarer and one driver, may be issued by the Government of the State/Union Territory where the seafarer disembarks.
- vii. The transit pass (to and fro) will be issued for a fixed route and with specified validity and will have to be adhered to strictly. Such transit pass would be honoured/ allowed by the authorities of the State/ Union Territory along the transit route.
- viii. The social distancing and other hygiene norms, as per standard health protocol, would be followed by the vehicle transporting the seafarer to his destination.

**Note: DG (Shipping) will prescribe the detailed protocol with regard to sign-on and sign-off to be followed in the above cases.**



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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001  
Dated 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 19<sup>th</sup> April 2020, 21<sup>st</sup> April 2020 and 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(I) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby orders **to include** the following in the consolidated revised guidelines for strict implementation by Ministries /Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State /Union Territory Authorities:

**Sub-clause (iv) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons:**

- iv. Due to lockdown, migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons are stranded at different places. They would be allowed to move as under:
- a. All States/ UTs should designate nodal authorities and develop standard protocols for receiving and sending such stranded persons. The nodal authorities shall also register the stranded persons within their States/ UTs.
  - b. In case a group of stranded persons wish to move between one State/ UT and another State/ UT, the sending and receiving States may consult each other and mutually agree to the movement by road.
  - c. The moving person (s) would be screened and those found asymptomatic would be allowed to proceed.
  - d. Buses shall be used for transport of groups of persons. The buses will be sanitized and shall follow safe social distancing norms in seating.
  - e. The States/ UTs falling on the transit route will allow the passage of such persons to the receiving State/ UT.
  - f. On arrival at their destination, such person(s) would be assessed by the local health authorities, and kept in home quarantine, unless the assessment requires keeping the person(s) in institutional quarantine. They would be kept under watch with periodic health check-ups. For this





purpose, such persons may be encouraged to use **Aarogya Setu** app through which their health status can be monitored and tracked.

The guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) on Home Quarantine, dated 11.03.2020 may be referred to in this regard, which are available at (<https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/Guidelinesforhomequarantine.pdf>)

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Home Secretary 29/04/2020

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- ii) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.

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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

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North Block, New Delhi-110001  
Dated 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2020, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 and 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(I) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby orders **to include** the following in the consolidated revised guidelines for strict implementation by Ministries /Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State / Union Territory Authorities:

**Sub-clause (v) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons by trains:**

- v. Movement of migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons, stranded at different places, is also allowed by special trains to be operated by Ministry of Railways (MoR). MoR will designate nodal officer(s) for coordinating with State/ UTs for their movement. MoR will issue detailed guidelines for sale of tickets; and for social distancing and other safety measures to be observed at train stations, train platforms and within the trains.

The rest of the conditions stipulated for Movement of persons vide Sub-clause (iv) [a,b,c,e,f] will continue to apply to such movement.

  
1/5/2020  
Home Secretary

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**Copy to:**

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- ii) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.

**No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A)**  
**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001  
Dated 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs' Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(I) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby issues Standard Operating Protocols (SOPs), for ***movement of Indian Nationals stranded outside the country and of specified persons to travel abroad, as Annexed*** herewith, to Ministries/Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State /Union Territory Authorities with the directions for its strict implementation.

  
Home Secretary

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**Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs' (MHA) Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A)  
dated 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2020**

**A. Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) for movement of Indian Nationals stranded outside the country**

In order to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, international travel of passengers has been prohibited under MHA's Orders related to lockdown measures. As per information available, many Indian Nationals who had travelled to different countries before the lockdown, on various purposes such as employment, studies/ internships, tourism, business, etc., are stranded abroad. Due to their prolonged stay abroad, they are facing distress and are desirous of returning to India urgently. Apart from the above cases, there are other Indian Nationals who need to visit India in medical emergencies or death of a family member.

2. In order to facilitate the movement of such Indian Nationals, the following SoP is hereby laid down:

- i. Such persons will register themselves with the Indian Missions in the country where they are stranded, along with necessary details as prescribed by MEA.
- ii. They will travel to India by non scheduled commercial flights to be arranged by Ministry of Civil Aviation (MOCA); and, naval ships to be arranged by Department of Military Affairs (DMA). Only those crew and staff, who are tested COVID-19 negative, will be allowed to operate these flights/ ships.
- iii. Priority will be given to compelling cases in distress, including migrant workers/ labourers who have been laid off, short term visa holders faced with expiry of visas, persons with medical emergency/ pregnant women/ elderly, those required to return to India due to death of family member, and students.
- iv. The cost of travel, as specified by MoCA/ DMA will be borne by such travellers.
- v. Based on the registrations received, MEA will prepare flight/ ship wise database of all such travellers, including details such as name, age, gender, mobile phone number, place of residence, place of final destination; and information on RT-PCR test taken and its result. This data base will be shared by MEA with the respective State/ UT in advance.
- vi. MEA will designate State/ UT wise nodal officers, who will co-ordinate with the nodal officers designated for this purpose by the respective States/ UTs.
- vii. MEA will display with at least two days notice, the schedule (day, place and time of arrival) of the incoming flight/ ship, on their online digital platform.





- viii.** Before boarding, all travellers shall give an undertaking that they would undergo mandatory institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days on arrival in India, at their own cost.
- ix.** All travellers will also be required to give an undertaking that they are making the journey at their own risk.
- x.** At the time of boarding the flight/ ship, MEA will facilitate thermal screening as per health protocol. Only asymptomatic travellers would be allowed to board the flight/ ship.
- xi.** Passengers arriving through the land borders will also have to undergo the same protocol as above, and only those who are asymptomatic will be enabled to cross the border into India.
- xii.** Self-declaration form (with health and personal details) in duplicate will be filled in advance by all passengers coming from any point of entry, i.e., land, sea or airports, and a copy of the same will be given to Health and Immigration officials present at the airport/ seaport/ landport.
- xiii.** While on board the flight/ ship, the health protocol of MoCA/ DMA will be strictly followed. This would include wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. to be observed by airline/ ship staff, crew and all passengers.
- xiv.** On arrival, thermal screening, as per health protocol, would be carried out in respect of all the passengers by the Health officials present at the airport/ seaport/ landport.
- xv.** All passengers shall be asked to download *ArogyaSetu* app on their mobile devices.
- xvi.** The passengers found to be symptomatic during screening shall be immediately taken to medical facility as per health protocol.
- xvii.** The remaining passengers shall be taken to suitable institutional quarantine facilities, to be arranged by the respective State/ UT Governments. These facilities may be as far as possible, in the district headquarters, of the district to which the arriving passengers belongs.
- xviii.** These passengers shall be kept under institutional quarantine for a minimum period of 14 days.
- xix.** If they test negative after 14 days, they will be allowed to go home and will undertake self-monitoring of their health for 14 more days as per protocol. The remaining persons will be shifted to the medical facility by the State/ UT Government.

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## **B. Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) for movement of persons stranded in India who are desirous to travel abroad**

In order to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, international travel of passengers has been prohibited under MHA's Orders related to lockdown measures. As per information available, many persons are stranded in India who desirous to travel abroad urgently for various purposes.

2. In order to facilitate the movement of such persons, the following SoP is hereby laid down:

- i.** Such persons will apply to Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) or to any agency designated by MoCA for this purpose, along with necessary details, including the places of departure and arrival, as prescribed by MoCA.
- ii.** Only those persons shall be allowed to travel to the destination countries, who are citizens of that country; who hold visa of at least one year duration of that country; and green card or OCI card holder. In cases of medical emergency or death in the family, Indian Nationals holding six month visa can also be allowed.
- iii.** Before the tickets of such persons are confirmed, MoCA will ensure that the destination country allows entry of such persons in that country. The conditions, if any, imposed by the destination country, will have to be fulfilled by the person intending to travel.
- iv.** The travel from India shall be by on the non scheduled commercial flights that are being arranged by MoCA for bringing back stranded Indian Nationals from abroad.
- v.** The cost of travel, as specified by MoCA, will be borne by such travellers.
- vi.** At the time of boarding the flight, MoCA will ensure that all travellers undergo thermal screening as per health protocol. Only asymptomatic travellers would be allowed to board the flight.
- vii.** While on board the flight, health protocol as issued by MoCA will be strictly followed. This would include wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. to be observed by airline staff, crew and all passengers.

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**Government of India**  
**Ministry of Home Affairs**

North Block, New Delhi-110001

Dated 11<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

**ORDER**

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders of even number dated 1<sup>st</sup> May 2020 and 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(l) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby issues Standard Operating Protocol (SOP), **for movement of persons by train**, as **Annexed** herewith, to Ministries /Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State /Union Territory Authorities, with the directions for their strict implementation.

  
11/05/2020  
Home Secretary

To: **(As per list attached)**

1. The Secretaries of Ministries /Departments of Government of India
2. The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories

**Copy to:**

- i) All members of the National Executive Committee.
- ii) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority.



## Annexure

### **Standard Operating Protocol (SOP), for movement of persons by train**

In order to facilitate movement of persons by trains, the following SOP is hereby laid down:

- i. Movement of trains shall be permitted by Ministry of Railways (MoR), in a graded manner, in consultation with Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) and Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA).
  - ii. Train schedule; protocols for booking, entry and movement of passengers; and coach service specifications shall be widely publicized by MoR.
  - iii. Only those passengers with confirmed e-tickets shall be allowed to enter the station.
  - iv. The movement of the passenger(s) as well as the driver of the vehicle transporting the passenger(s) to and fro the railway station shall be allowed on the basis of the confirmed e-ticket.
  - v. MoR shall ensure the following at the train stations:
    - a. All passengers shall be compulsorily screened and only asymptomatic passengers are allowed to enter/ board the train.
    - b. All passengers shall be provided with hand sanitizer at entry and exit points at station and in coaches.
    - c. All passengers shall be wearing face covers/ masks at entry and during travel.
  - vi. During boarding and travel, all passengers will have to observe social distancing.
  - vii. Health advisories/ guidelines will be circulated by MoR through Information, Education and Communication (IEC) campaign for their staff and passengers.
  - viii. On arrival at their destination, the traveling passengers will have to adhere to such health protocols as are prescribed by the destination State/ UT.
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