

THE COMMISSIONER OF POLICE, GREATER MUMBAI.

ORDER

(UNDER SECTION 144 OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE CODE-1973)

WHEREAS based on the declaration issued by World Health Organization on 11/03/2020 characterizing the outbreak of COVID-19, a global pandemic and the subsequent notifications issued by Government of India and Government of Maharashtra under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, it is apprehended that there is **likelihood of spread of the COVID-19 virus through gatherings of persons in public or private areas** and that there is grave danger to human life, health or safety due to the same. The undersigned in the capacity of Executive Magistrate is fully satisfied that there are sufficient reasons / grounds for passing prohibitory orders under section 144 of Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC)-1973 to ensure that there is no danger to human life, health or safety.

2. WHEREAS it is considered expedient to issue **prohibitory order for restricting any presence or movement of five or more persons in public or private places, including religious places and also any vehicles carrying such persons for any reason whatsoever** to prevent spread of the COVID-19 virus and to prevent any outbreak of the infection in the areas under the control of Commissioner of Police, Greater Mumbai.

3. THEREFORE I, **Pranaya Ashok, Dy. Commissioner of Police (Operations)**, Greater Mumbai and Executive Magistrate, vide powers conferred upon me u./sec 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code 1973 (Act II of 1974) r/w the Commissioner of Police Greater Mumbai's Order dated 23/12/1959 u/s 10 sub section (2) of the Maharashtra Police Act 1951 (Mah. Act XXII of 1951), with a view to prevent danger to human life, health or safety, do hereby, promulgate an order under section 144 Cr.PC, in the areas under the control of Commissioner of Police, Greater Mumbai, **prohibiting any presence or movement of five or more persons in public or private places, including religious places and also any vehicles carrying such persons for any reason whatsoever.** This order does not apply to the following exempted entities:

- i. **Emergency Services;**
- ii. **Establishments providing Essential services** like:
  - a. Food, vegetables, milk supplies, ration and grocery stores;
  - b. Hospitals, medicines, pharma and related establishments, pathology laboratories, medical/nursing colleges;
  - c. Telephone and internet services;
  - d. Electricity, petroleum, oil and energy related;
  - e. Banking, Stock Exchange, Clearing Corporations, Depositories, Stock Brokers and SEBI registered participants operating through these institutions;
  - f. IT and IT enabled Services and Data Centers providing services for Critical National and International Infrastructure and needed for the above essential and emergency services;
  - g. Media;
  - h. Services providing Home Delivery of food, groceries and essential commodities;
  - i. Drinking water supply and maintenance;
  - j. Godowns and warehousing related to all of the above;
  - k. Trucks/Tempos carrying goods and manpower related to above services.
- iii. **Government/semi-government agencies and their officials on duty;**
- iv. **The Zonal DCsP in emergent/special cases are empowered to grant exemption.**

4. This order shall come into force, in the areas under the control of Commissioner of Police, Greater Mumbai, with effect **from 05.01 hours on 23/03/2020 and ending at 24.00 hours on 31/03/2020** unless withdrawn earlier.

5. Any person contravening this order shall be punishable under section 188 of the Indian Penal Code.

6. As the notice cannot be served individually on all concerned, the order is hereby passed ex-parte. It shall be published for the information of public, through press, or by affixing copies on the Notice Boards of the Police stations, Divisional ACsP, Zonal DCsP.

Given under my hand and seal this on 22<sup>nd</sup> day of the March, 2020 at Mumbai.

Office of the  
Commissioner of Police,  
Greater Mumbai.



(Pranaya Ashok)  
Dy. Commissioner of Police (Operations)  
and Executive Magistrate.  
Greater Mumbai.