

Government of Punjab
Department of Home Affairs & Justice
(Home -4 Branch)

To

1. All the Divisional Commissioners and the Deputy Commissioners in the State
2. All the Zonal IGPs, Commissioners of Police, DIGs and SSPs in the State

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Dated: Chandigarh, the 1st September, 2021.

Sub: COVID-19 restrictions till 15th September, 2021.

To contain and manage Covid-19, in exercise of the power conferred under section 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897, read with all other enabling provisions of Disaster Management Act, 2005, following restrictions are imposed till 15th September:- 2021.

a) Only passengers who are fully vaccinated, or Covid recovered, or with negative RTPCR report of last 72 hrs shall be allowed entry in Punjab. In case a passenger doesn't have either of these, RAT testing shall be mandatory. Passengers travelling by flights shall be mandatorily required to be fully vaccinated, or Covid recovered, or with negative RTPCR report of last 72 hrs.

b) Gatherings shall be restricted to not more than 150 persons indoors and 300 persons outdoors subject to an upper limit of 50 % of the capacity. Artists/ musicians shall be allowed at such functions/ celebrations in all areas with due COVID protocols.

c) All bars, cinema halls, restaurants, spas, swimming pools, coaching centers, sports complexes, gyms, malls, museums, zoos, etc. shall be allowed to operate at 50 % of their capacity subject to all staff present being fully vaccinated or Covid recovered. All users of swimming, sports and gym facilities shall be persons over 18 years who have taken at least one dose of the vaccine. Strict COVID protocols shall be put in place for operations.

d) Colleges, coaching centers and all other institutions of higher learning shall continue to open subject to the condition that only fully vaccinated, or Covid recovered teaching, non-teaching staff and students are allowed to be physically present. Option of online learning must be available to the students.

e) Schools, shall continue to open subject to condition that only fully vaccinated, or Covid recovered teaching, non-teaching staff are allowed to be physically present. Option of online learning must be available to the students. Districts/cities where positivity is above 0.2% should close primary classes 4 & below until situation improves.

f) Teaching and non-teaching staff of colleges, coaching centers, institutions of higher learning, schools shall be prioritized for vaccination with special camps such that all are covered with first dose within this month. Those due for second dose should also be prioritized. Parents of school going children should be encouraged to immediately get vaccinated.

2. District authorities shall also continue to ensure strict implementation of all the extant directives of MHA/State Government on Covid appropriate behaviour including social distancing wearing of face masks etc.

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