

MOST IMMEDIATE/ACTIONABLE  
CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC

From

Deputy Commissioner,  
Sirsa

To

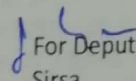
1. DIG-SP, Sirsa
2. ADC, Sirsa
3. All S.D.Ms in district Sirsa
4. Civil Surgeon, Sirsa
5. Sr. Drugs/Drugs Control Officer, Sirsa
6. DRO, Sirsa
7. DDPO, Sirsa
8. Food Safety Officer, Sirsa
9. DFSC, Sirsa
10. DIO, NIC, Sirsa
11. DIPRO, Sirsa for wide publicity
12. Inspector, Weight & Measure, Sirsa (Legal Metrology)
13. Asstt. Dir., DIC, Sirsa.
14. Asstt. Dir. Indl. Health Safety (BOCW), Sirsa
15. Asstt. Labour Commissioner, Sirsa
16. All Tehsildars/NTs/BDPOs in distt. Sirsa
17. All EOs/Secretaries of ULBs in distt. Sirsa & Mkt. Comm., Sirsa
18. Incharge, Distt. War/Control Room, Sirsa
19. All HoDs in distt. Sirsa

No. 14591-660 /MA Dated:- 04/04/2020

Sub: **Ban on smoking at Public Places**

It has been intimated by Director General Health Services, Haryana vide letter No. CFMS/0304/2020 dated 03.04.2020 that Ministry of Law & Justice and Legislative Department issued **Cigarette & Other Tobacco Product Act (COTPA), 2003** on dated 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2003 which defines tobacco product as the product specified in the schedule. Further section 4 says **No person shall smoke in any public place**. Section 7 of the Act provides Restriction of trade and commerce in, and production supply, distribution of Cigarette and other tobacco products. As per section 7 (I) **No person shall, directly or indirectly, produce, supply or distribute cigarette or any other tobacco products unless every package of cigarette or any other tobacco product produced, supplied or distributed by him bear thereon, or its label, the specified warning including a pictorial depiction of skull and cross bones and other warning as may be prescribed**. The entry at Number 8 of schedule includes Pan Masala or any other chewing material having tobacco as one of its ingredients (by whatever name called) as tobacco product. It is made clear that Khaini (all types) or similar product is also a tobacco product.

Therefore, all concerned are directed to enforce the above guidelines/instructions strictly that no person shall smoke or shall consume Khaini (all types) or similar product in any public place. Loose cigarette shall not be sold as it contravenes the provision of section 7 of the Act as well as violation of Legal Metrology Act, 2009.

  
For Deputy Commissioner,  
Sirsa

From

Director General Health services,  
Haryana, Panchkula.

To

1. All the Deputy Commissioners of the state.
2. All Civil Surgeons of the state.

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Therefore, in view of COVID-19, you are requested to ensure that no person shall smoke in public place. Loose cigarettes shall not be sold as it contravenes the provision of section 7 as well as violation of Legal Metrology Act 2009. Further it is clarified that tobacco product includes खैनी *Khaini* (all types) or similar products. Therefore, it should also be ensured that no person shall consume खैनी *Khaini* (all types) or similar products in any public places.

*(Signature)*  
3.4.20

State Nodal Office(c)  
For Director General, Health Services  
Haryana, Panchkula

Endst No. CFMS-0304/2020

Dated: 03.04.2020

A copy of the same is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action please:-

1. Additional Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana, Health Department.
2. Food & Drug Commissioner, Haryana.

*(Signature)*  
3/4/20  
State Nodal Officer(C)

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