

**OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN DDMA-CUM-DISTRICT MAGISTRATE
KANGRA AT DHARAMSHALA (HP)**

No: 1106-20 SK/Dm

Date: 06.04.2020

ORDER UNDER SECTION 34 OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT 2005

WHEREAS there is a real and imminent threat of outbreak of an epidemic of the dangerous and highly contagious Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) epidemic in District Kangra due to recent reporting of such cases in the District;

WHEREAS it is an established medical fact that the COVID-19 spreads to a person through contact with another person who is carrying the virus (with or without symptoms) and therefore the most effective measure for prevention of the spread of this deadly disease is the maintenance of social distancing of minimum 1 metre between any two persons;

WHEREAS it is essential to strictly enforce the maintenance of social distancing of minimum 1 metre between all persons at all times in public places;

THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section 34 of the Disaster Management Act 2005, I, Rakesh Kumar Prajapati, District Magistrate, Kangra at Dharamshala, do hereby order and direct, in the interest of protecting the health and safety of public at large and in order to immediately prevent the community transmission of COVID-19 in the District, that all Sub-Divisional Magistrates, Executive Magistrates, Deputy Superintendents of Police, Station House Officers, Block Development Officers and Sector Magistrates/ Officers designated by the SDMs shall move and inspect the public places under their jurisdictions from 8AM to 11AM daily (including all public holidays) and they shall ensure that:

- (i) each person visiting the public places maintains the minimum distance of 1 metre from the nearest person at all times;
- (ii) each shopkeeper, bank branch manager, head of office and establishment in-charge has made designated markings outside the shops, bank branches & ATMs, offices and establishments for the customers to stand and wait at a minimum distance of 1 metre from each other and that the customers stand and wait on these designated markings only;
- (iii) criminal prosecution be launched against the persons found by them to be violating the minimum distance requirement as well as against the concerned shopkeeper, bank branch manager, head of office or establishment in-charge and the


owner/lessor/licensor of the property concerned where such violation is found for breach of order no. ^{1091-1105 SK/DM} dated 06.04.2020.

If no action is taken against the violators for breach of the social distancing requirements by the officer concerned having jurisdiction over the area, then the officer concerned shall also be liable for prosecution;

Any obstruction, resistance, negligence or refusal by any person to comply with the directions as aforesaid shall render such person liable to prosecution under Sections 51 of the Disaster Management Act 2005;

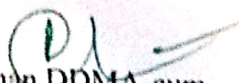
THIS order shall come into effect immediately for the entire area of District Kangra and shall remain valid until further orders in larger public interest;

ISSUED under my hand and seal on April 06, 2020.


(Rakesh Kumar Prajapati) IAS
Chairman DDMA-cum-
District Magistrate
District Kangra at Dharamshala

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1. Chief Secretary to Government of Himachal Pradesh
2. Additional Chief Secretary (Health) to Government of Himachal Pradesh
3. Additional Chief Secretary (Home) to Government of Himachal Pradesh
4. Divisional Commissioner Kangra
5. Senior Superintendent of Police, District Kangra
6. All Sub-Divisional Magistrates, District Kangra for compliance and with direction to notify the Sector Magistrates/ Officers designated by them
7. All DSPs & SHOs, District Kangra
8. All Executive Magistrates in District Kangra
9. All Block Development Officers, District Kangra
10. DPRO Kangra for wide publicity
11. DIO Kangra with the request to upload the order on official website of the District Administration


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