

GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH
OFFICER OF DISTRICT MAGISTRATE
CHAMBA, DISTRICT CHAMBA HP.

No.CBA.Peshi-M-43(23)/2019-172
2020

Dated Chamba the, 25th March,

ORDER UNDER SECTION 144 OF THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE, 1973

WHEREAS, vide order No.CBA.Peshi-M-43(23)/2019 dated 24-03-2020, under the section 144(1) of the CrPC wherein CURFEW was imposed in the District and it was 'ordered that no person shall leave their homes or move on foot, or by vehicle or travel or roam around or stand on any road or public place (except for emergency health aid) in the district'. In the aforementioned order assembly of 5 or more persons was also banned in the District;

AND WHEREAS, the Government of Himachal Pradesh has notified the Himachal Pradesh Epidemic Disease (COVID-19) regulations 2020 to prevent the spread of COVID-19 and comprehensive guidelines have now been issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs Order No. 40-3/2020-DM dated 24.03.2020 for measures to be taken for containment of COVID-19 Epidemic in the Country;

WHEREAS, it is the case of extreme emergency and the circumstances are such that serving of notice upon all persons residing in the jurisdiction of District Chamba is not practicable and possible and therefore, it is necessary and expedient to proceed under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Proceedings, 1973.

THEREFORE, in exercise of the power vested in me under section 144(1), of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 I, Vivek Bhatia (IAS), District Magistrate, Chamba Himachal Pradesh and **in supersession of all pervious orders** do hereby order and direct that a, **CURFEW IS HEREBY IMPOSED WITHIN THE ENTIRE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF DISTRICT CHAMBA, HIMACHAL PRADESH**. It is ordered that no person shall leave their homes or move on foot, or by

vehicle or travel or roam around or stand on any road or public place (except for emergency health aid) in the district. Further, any assembly of 5 or more persons shall not be allowed anywhere in the district.

However, the following exceptions are made to the above order:

1. Hospitals and all related medical establishments, including manufacturing and distribution units, both in public and private sector, such as dispensaries, chemist and medical equipment shops, laboratories, clinics, nursing homes, ambulance etc shall remain functional throughout the duration of the CURFEW. and health department staff involved in essential medical duties and persons visiting hospitals for medical emergency.
2. Govt. servants on magisterial duty and District Disaster Management authority.
3. District Administration, Treasury and Prisons.
4. Police, Home-Guards, civil defence, fire and emergency services, disaster management.
5. Military, Para Military force and other Security Forces which are under the control of state or central government.
6. Officers involved in operational maintenance of essential services pertaining to Electricity, Water, Road infrastructure, Forest, Animal Husbandry and municipal services
7. Government or Semi-Government employees on duty pertaining to mitigation of COVID-19 as certified by concerned Sub-Divisional Magistrate.
8. Telecom and internet services including IT and ITeS and as far as possible to work from home.
9. Goods vehicles for purpose of maintenance of essential services.
10. Home delivery of essential goods and services through authorised persons and vehicles to be done by Sub-Divisional Magistrates.
11. The shops including ration shops (under PDS), dealing with food, groceries, fruits and vegetables, dairy and milk booths, meat and fish, animal fodder etc. shall function from **1100 hrs to 1400 hrs on every alternate day on 26th, 28th, 30th March and so on.**
12. Petrol pumps in case they are dealing with customers pertaining to exempted list. However, the distribution in other cases shall adhere to time restrictions as imposed in Pt. 11 above.
13. LPG gas cylinder depots and distribution offices.
14. Banks, Insurance Offices and ATMs.
15. Authorised Print and electronic Media personnel.

16. Delivery of all essential goods including food, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment through e-commerce.
17. Power generation, transmission and distribution units and services.
18. Cold storage and warehousing services.
19. Private security services.
20. Industrial units involved in manufacturing of essential commodities.
21. Industrial units, which require continuous process, after obtaining required permission.
22. Hotels, homestays, lodges and motels which are accommodating tourists and persons stranded due to lockdown, medical and emergency staff, air crew.
23. Establishments used/earmarked for quarantine facilities.
24. That the persons in the district shall be allowed to move out of their homes only for procurement of essential goods including food products, milk and general medicines on alternate days in the prescribed time limits as in Pt. 11 only.

That only one healthy person per family shall move out for procurement of essential items in the nearest vicinity. Given the higher susceptibility of persons above 60 years of age to COVID-19, it is ordered that any person above 60 years of age and shall not be allowed the above relaxations other than that of accessing medical emergency facilities.

This order shall come in to effect immediately for entire area of the District Chamba and shall remain in force till further orders. It is also ordered that government departments not mentioned above shall remain closed till further orders.

Any violation of this order shall attract provisions under Section 188 IPC and the violator can also be prosecuted under Section 269 and 270 of IPC, which provides for imprisonment for 6 months or, with a fine or both and an imprisonment which may extend up to 2 years or fine respectively.

Issued under my hand and seal, today on dated 25th of March, 2020.



(Vivek Bhatia) IAS
Deputy Commissioner,
Chamba, District Chamba

Copy forwarded to the following for information: -

1. Chief Secretary to the 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 at Dharamshala
5. Superintendent of Police Chamba for information and necessary action.
6. All the Sub-Divisional Magistrates in District Chamba for information and necessary action. The authorisations as mentioned in exemptions to be done after thorough scrutiny, medical examination and timings to be decided at your own level.
7. DTDO, Chamba for information and necessary action.
8. DPRO Chamba for wide publicity.
9. Deputy Director, Higher/Elementary Education Chamba for information and necessary action..
10. Assistant Commissioner to the Deputy Commissioner Chamba for information and necessary action.
11. District Revenue Officer, Chamba for information and necessary action.
12. Chief Medical Officer, Chamba for information and necessary action.
13. All the Executive Magistrates in District Chamba for information and necessary action.
14. Project Officer DRDA, District Chamba for information and necessary action.
15. District Panchayat Officer, Chamba District Chamba HP for information and necessary action.



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