

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY  
IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT KARAİKAL

M. C. No. 1/2020

Dated: 22/03/2020

Present: ARJUN SHARMA, I.A.S.  
District Magistrate, Karaikal

**ORDER UNDER SECTION 144 Cr. P. C**

Sub: DM, Karaikal – Prevention measures to contain the spread of Novel Corona Virus (COVID -19) – Orders – issued.

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Whereas Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease which typically spreads from one person to another via respiratory droplets or from touching contaminated surfaces and then touching ones face,

Whereas the disease has already been declared as a Disaster under the provision of Disaster Management Act, 2005. It also attracts the provision of Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and rules framed there under.

Whereas the infections are spreading and new cases are being reported in various parts of the country on daily basis.

Where as it is essential to enforce social distancing by imposing further restriction in order to contain the COVID-19.

Now Therefore I, Arjun Sharma, IAS, District Magistrate, Karaikal in exercise of the power conferred upon me U/S 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973, do hereby prohibit the **Assembly of Five or more persons in public streets or thorough fares or in public places with effect from 9.00 pm on 22-03-2020 till 31-03-2020.**

The emergent nature of case and circumstances do not permit serving of notice to the concerned in due time and hence this order is passed exparte U/S 144 (2) of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973.

This order shall not apply to agencies / officials of the Government involved in the enforcement of Law and Order, duty relating to containment of corona virus and the maintenance of essential services.

At Karaikal; Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 2020.



*Arjun Sharma*  
(ARJUN SHARMA, I.A.S)  
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE  
KARAİKAL

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