ORDER

Subject: Order under National Disaster Management Act, 2005—regarding

1. Section 34 of the National Disaster Management Act, 2005, (DM, Act) empowers the District Magistrate to issue directions and guidelines for the purpose of assisting, protecting or providing relief to the community in response to any threatening disaster situation. As such, vide powers vested in me under the said section, I hereby issue the following directions to be complied by the concerned, towards mitigating the transmission of COVID-19 in Daman District:

a. No Langers / Bhandaras, Food Stalls, Road Side Eateries etc., shall operate in Daman District till 31st March, 2020.

b. No Massage Centres / Spa / Sauna, etc., shall operate in Daman District till 31st March, 2020.

c. No Social, religious or ritualistic events shall be held at any public / community / religious place, involving a gathering of more than 4 people, till 31st March, 2020 in District Daman.

d. No Conference, Events, Rallies, Dharnas, Protests etc., shall be organised within the territorial limits of District Daman till 31st March, 2020.

e. The Deputy Director (Transport), Daman shall ensure that public and private transport operating in the District shall be sanitised with the prescribed disinfectants and at such regular intervals as prescribed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI (refer website of MoHFW). Accordingly, he shall ensure and organise necessary briefings and sensitisation of the drivers and cleaners, through his staff.

f. The Chief Officer, Daman Municipal Council, Daman shall ensure that public places particularly the Bus / Taxi / Auto stands, Sabzi Mandies, Market Areas etc., in the District shall be sanitized as prescribed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI. Accordingly, She shall ensure and organise necessary briefing and sensitisation of her staff.

g. No Cinema Halls, Gyms, Recreational Clubs etc., shall operate in Daman District till 31st March, 2020.

h. It is informed that masks (2 ply, 3 ply surgical masks, N95 masks) and hand sanitisers are Essential Commodities under Essential Commodities Act, 1955 and hoarding or overcharging of these items is strictly prohibited and as a punishable offence.

i. However, there shall be no restriction on the movement of the people to buy their daily groceries and household articles. The wholesellers, Fruit and Sabzi Mandies may also remain open and functional to ensure provisioning of essential supplies.
j. Last but not the least, public at large is also being informed that **section 51 of the Disaster Management Act** provides for penalties in case a person obstructs any officer or employee in discharge of his functions or refuses to comply with any direction given under this Act. Any violation of the above directions will, therefore, lead to prosecution under section 51 of the DM Act, 2005.

(Dr. Rakesh Minhas),
District Magistrate,
Daman.

To,
All Concerned,

Copy to:

1. The PS to Hon'ble Administrator, Secretariat, D&NH and DD, Daman.
2. The Advisor to Administrator, Secretariat, D&NH and DD, Daman.
3. The Secretary (Health), Secretariat, D&NH and DD, Daman.
4. The Deputy Inspector General of Police, D&NH and DD, Daman.
5. The Superintendent of Police, Daman.
6. The Director of Medical & Health Services, PHC, Daman.
7. The Deputy Director (Transport), Daman.
8. The Chief Officer, Daman Municipal, Council, Daman.
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