Most Immediate

CHIEF SECRETARY GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

To

All Deputy Commissioners

Memo. No. CSO/2020/ 363

Dated, Chandigarh, the 22nd March, 2020

Subject: Shutdown of all establishments except essential

services / items.

In order to break the transmission chain of contagion of COVID-19, it is necessary to prevent / minimise close contact amongst all persons. Deputy Commissioners / District Magistrates shall issue orders under Section 144 Cr.P.C. or under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, for shutdown of all establishments except those providing essential services / items in the district from Monday, the 23rd March, 2020 (06-00 AM) till Tuesday the 31st March, 2020 (inclusive).

- 2. Department of Food & Civil Supplies has already issued a list of essential commodities / items to all the Deputy Commissioners vide Letter No. IFD (1455-2020/866, dated 21-03-2020. In addition, eggs, poultry feed, media, e-commerce and essential IT services will also come under the category of essential items/services. Each DC may add any other essential item / service to this list as per local requirements to minimise disruption and ensure essential supplies.
- 3. All items / services mentioned in the notification includes production, manufacturing, transport, storage, wholesale, retail etc. and they shall be included as essential items / services.
- 4. All goods vehicles including those carrying the essential items shall be allowed to ply during the shutdown period. The drivers and the work force involved in loading / un-loading the material shall take all precautionary measures.
- 5. Deputy Commissioners shall restrict all assemblies at public places to 10 persons. This maximum limit may be reduced by the Deputy Commissioner at any time, as required.
- Deputy Commissioners shall ensure strict implementation of these restrictions.

Chief Secretary

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Punjab, for information.

Chief Secretary

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Dated 22-03-2020

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and immediate necessary action in the matter:-

- Additional Chief Secretary, Home Affairs & Justice, Punjab
- 2. Director General of Police, Punjab, Chandigarh
- Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Punjab

Chief Secretary

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information:-

- 1. Chief Secretary to Government of Haryana, Chandigarh
- 2. Chief Secretary to Government of Jammu & Kashmir, Jammu
- 3. Chief Secretary to Government of Rajasthan, Jaipur
- 4. Chief Secretary to Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
- Advisor to the Administrator, Chandigarh Administration, Chandigarh.

Chief Secretary

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