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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Directive for New Year celebration issued**

**Guwahati, December 25, 2021:** The Assam State Disaster Management Authority (ASDMA) has issued a revised and consolidated directive today for both rural and urban areas which will remain in force **w.e.f. 6 AM of December 26, 2021 until further orders.**

The salient features of today's order are as follows:

1. The night curfew will be **from 11.30 PM to 6 AM** across the State. However, this curfew will **not be applicable on December 31, 2021.**
2. All the work places, business/commercial establishments, Dine in Restaurants, hotels, Dhabas and other eateries, takeaway of food items from restaurants/dhabas and other eateries, opening of sale counters, showrooms etc. of cold storages and warehouses, shops dealing with groceries, fruits and vegetables, dairy and milk booths, **will open up to 10.30 PM.**
3. Regarding **open spaces** for meeting/gathering, the jurisdictional DDMA's shall fix the limit of gatherings depending on COVID situation in their respective districts. Regarding **closed venues**, the gathering is allowed up to 50% of the seating capacity of hall, auditorium etc.
4. Religious places are allowed to operate with 60 fully vaccinated persons per hour for iconic places and 40 fully vaccinated persons per hour for other religious places.
5. Cinema halls continue to operate with 50% of seating capacity of fully vaccinated viewers and observance of COVID-19 appropriate behavior.
6. **For Omicron specific regulation**, all District Magistrates, Superintendent of Police, and all other authorities concerned shall be responsible for ensuring COVID Appropriate Behaviour in all public places for containment of COVID-19 virus.
7. All District Magistrates, Superintendent of Police will ensure that the people who visit the above mentioned places, strictly follow COVID Appropriate Behaviour. They will deploy sufficient number of teams for keeping utmost vigil at public places and for enforcing COVID Appropriate Behaviour so as to avoid any possibility of surge in COVID-19 cases.
8. Any **persons violating these measures** will be liable to be proceeded against as per provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Sec.188 of IPC 188 and other legal provisions as applicable
9. Any person not wearing mask or spitting in public places shall be fined to the tune of Rs.1000/- vide earlier order of ASDMA.

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