GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
Department of Disaster Management, Relief, Rehabilitation & Reconstruction
State Executive Committee
Civil Secretariat, J&K.
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Sub: Restrictions for COVID containment- regarding

Government Order No. 58-JK (DMRRR) of 2021.
Dated: 08.08.2021

1) Whereas a detailed review of the current COVID situation in Jammu and Kashmir was conducted by the Chief Secretary, J&K, with the Addl. Chief Secretary, Health and Medical Education; Principal Secretary to Government, Home; Divisional Commissioners, Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police and other officers of Jammu and Kashmir on 06-08-2021; and

2) Whereas the above said review was conducted regarding overall assessment of the situation pertaining to the spread of COVID-19 in Jammu and Kashmir, particularly focusing on the following parameters –

   a. Total weekly new cases (per million).
   b. Total positivity rate.
   c. Bed Occupancy.
   d. Case fatality rate.
   e. Vaccination coverage of targeted population.
   f. Extent of compliance to COVID Appropriate Behaviour.

3) Whereas it was observed that there is a need to continue with the existing COVID containment measures in all the districts in view of the uneven trend in the daily COVID cases.

4) Now therefore, the State Executive Committee, in exercise of the powers conferred upon it under section 24 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, hereby orders that the guidelines / instructions on COVID containment in the Union Territory of Jammu and Kashmir already notified vide Government Orders 35 and 36 – JK (DMRRR) of 2021 dated 29-05-2021 read with **Government Orders 56 – JK (DMRRR) of 2021 dated 01-08-2021** shall continue to remain in force till further orders.

5) The State Executive Committee further orders that following measures shall continue to remain in force -

   i. The maximum number of people permitted to attend any indoor/ outdoor gathering **shall be restricted to 25**. However, this ceiling shall be temporarily relaxed on 15/08/2021 only on account of Independence Day celebrations, subject to Covid Appropriate Behaviour to be ensured by all District Magistrates.

ii. There shall be no Weekend Curfew in any district.

iii. All school and higher educational institutions, including coaching centers, shall continue to remain closed for onsite / in-person teaching, till further orders. However, the educational institutions are permitted to seek personal attendance of vaccinated staff/students for administrative purposes and independence day celebrations subject to limit of 25 and strict adherence to Covid Appropriate Behaviour.

iv. Night Curfew shall continue to remain in force in all districts from 8 pm to 7 am.

v. All Deputy Commissioners shall **intensify testing by making optimum use** of available rt-PCR and RAT capacities. There shall be no drop in testing levels.

vi. The Deputy Commissioners shall also focus on the Positivity rates of the Medical-Blocks under their jurisdictions. Intensified measures, **related to Covid management and restriction of activities**, shall be undertaken by the DCs in these Blocks. There shall be renewed focus on Panchayat level mapping of cases and effective micro-containment zones shall be constituted wherever unusual spike of cases is noticed. DCs shall keep active track of the positivity rates in the Blocks and consider implementing stricter control measures in closed clustered spaces like Public/ Private Offices, Community halls, Malls, Bazaars etc., in case weekly positivity rate goes beyond 4 percent in these Blocks.

vii. The **three - "T"** protocol of ***testing, tracking and treating***, *besides vaccination*, needs to strengthened in these Blocks. The proportion of RT-PCR tests in the total mix should be scaled up, on best effort basis, to 70 % or more, excluding travelers.

viii. **Intensive vaccination drive shall be taken up in all districts to ensure timely administration of second dose besides maximizing first dose to vulnerable groups.**

ix. Positive cases so detected as a result of intensive testing need to be isolated / quarantined at the earliest and their contacts should also be traced at the earliest, and similarly isolated / quarantined and tested if needed.

x. Immediate isolation and treatment of COVID-19 patients shall be ensured in treatment facilities / hospitals / homes.

xi. The D/o HME, GoJK, shall ensure adequate availability of COVID dedicated health and logistics (including ambulatory) infrastructure, based on their assessment of the case trajectory.

xii. **MD, NHM in consultation with the DCs shall take up Panchayat level mapping and data capturing on the specified portal with respect to all tests for tracking the positivity rates in all Panchayats and other areas in timely manner.**

6) The District Magistrates shall strictly ensure that **there is full compliance to COVID appropriate behavior and defaulters are firmly dealt with** under relevant sections of the Disaster Management Act and the Indian Penal Code. The District Magistrates shall constitute joint teams of Police and Executive Magistrates for intensifying enforcement of Covid Appropriate Behaviour. The joint teams shall submit daily report regarding activities carried out by them and their assessment of compliance level. **DCs will intensify the campaigns for ensuring COVID appropriate behavior. Dedicated IEC, including Public Announcements through mobile vehicles must be undertaken.**

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir

Sd/-
Chief Secretary
(Chairperson, State Executive Committee)

No: DMRRR/PS/Secy/551/2020 ***Dated: 08.08.2021***

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