

No: SO(Jud-I)HD/8-1(04)/2020-Corona

## GOVERNMENT OF SINDH HOME DEPARTMENT

Karachi, dated the 22nd March, 2020

## ORDER

No: SO(Jud-I)HD/8-1(04)/2020-Corona: Whereas there has been an increase in the number of Corona Virus cases (COVID-19) in Sindh and that this increase, as has been seen worldwide, is expected to rise exponentially if adequate preventive measures are not taken mainly being the prevention of social contact and gatherings in any form and that further steps are required to step up the restrictions and closures for the purpose of breaking the chain of spread of the virus.

Now, therefore, in exercise of powers under Section 3(1) of the Sindh Epidemic Diseases Act 2014 (The Sindh Act VIII of 2015) and in continuation of earlier orders of even number dated 14th March, 2020 and 17th March, 2020, the Government of Sindh is satisfied that it has become extremely urgent and important to prevent mixing/gathering/meeting of people by taking extreme measures in order to contain the spread of COVID-19 and therefore imposes ban on the movement and the gathering of people in order to prevent spread of virus from social contacts for a period of 15 days w.e.from 23.03.2020 starting at 12:00 on the same date.

There shall be a complete ban on movement of people including Intercity or Inter-Provincial Travel or gatherings of any kind for social, religious, or any other purpose at any place, public or private, including all offices, public or private situated within the territorial limits of province of Sindh except the following:-

- 1) Personnel related to Health Services like Hospitals, Laboratories and Medical stores.
- 2) Personnel related to Law Enforcing Agencies enforcing / implementing this order.
- Personnel related to Essential Services / Offices going to perform their duties or providing essential services as declared in later part of this order.
- 4) Person in need of medical care with an attendant where necessary.
- 5) Person going to buy grocery and medicines.
- 6) Necessary / unavoidable religious rites like the last rites, Namaz-e-Janaza, Burial and related events provided that all precautions against spread of disease are taken and a safe distance of 01 metre (3 feet) is maintained between people gathered in small numbers / close family members after prior intimation to SHO of the area. Assistant Commissioner and SDPO of the area will supervise and as and when necessary provide added force /manpower for compliance.
- 7) Any exemption that may be deemed necessary by the Government

## Following conditions will apply to the persons given exemption:

- To travel in single number in vehicle but may carry one more as attendant in case there is some medical emergency.
- b) One person per family may go out to buy essential medicines, grocery, etc. with a driver only in the case of elderly or handicapped.

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