

जिलाधीश का कार्यालय
OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE
दक्षिण अंडमान जिला
SOUTH ANDAMAN DISTRICT

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Port Blair dated the 08th February 2022

ORDER NO. 127

WHEREAS, several specific orders were issued by the District Administration, South Andaman from time to time to ensure compliance of the Containment Measures for COVID-19.

AND WHEREAS, the Union Home Secretary and Chairperson, National Executive Committee (NEC), Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India vide No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 27th January 2022 has directed that the Order of Ministry of Home Affairs of even number dated 27th December 2021 to ensure compliance to the normative frame work for taking evidence based COVID-19 containment measures at district/local level as conveyed vide Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), Govt. of India D.O.No.Z.28015/318/21-EMR dated 21st December 2021, will remain in force upto 28th February 2022.

AND WHEREAS, in view of the current COVID wave, led by the new variant, "OMICRON" there has been a steady increase in the number of COVID cases, though a majority of the active cases are recovering fast and a lows of cases are in hospitals in different parts of the country, MoHFW vide D.O.No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 27th January 2022, has issued an advisory to all the States and Union Territories (UTs).

AND WHEREAS, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 24 (1) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the Chairperson, Union Territory Disaster Management Executive Committee for the Union Territory of Andaman and Nicobar Islands has ordered to ensure compliance of Containment measures for COVID-19 as well as increased detection of the Variant of Concern (VoC), "OMICRON" in different parts of this Union Territory as per the advisory issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) dated 21st December 2021 for ensuring strict compliance prescribing a normative framework for taking evidence based containment measures at District/Local Level for the whole of Andaman and Nicobar Islands and shall remain in force till 28th February 2022.


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AND WHEREAS, in order to ensure compliance to the containment measures of isolation and social distancing in the South Andaman District and with special emphasis on continued focus on the fivefold strategy , i.e, Test-Treat-Track-Vaccination and adherence to COVID appropriate behaviours, i.e., wearing of face masks and maintaining safe social distancing in all public areas/gatherings to control any surge of the cases of COVID-19-Variant of Concern (VoC), "OMICRON" and also to prevent any disturbance to the peace and tranquility and taking into consideration the request of the public representatives and general public, I, Suneel Anchipaka, IAS, District Magistrate, South Andaman District, in exercise of the powers vested in me U/s 144 of Cr.P.C., hereby orders the following in supersession to Order Nos. 05 dt. 03rd January 2022, No.30 dt. 10th January 2022 and 111 dt. 03rd February 2022:-

1. Night curfew enforced in the entire District of South Andaman is hereby withdrawn with immediate effect with no restrictions on movement of men and materials.
2. Social/Political/Sports/Entertainment/Academic/Cultural/Religious/Festivals related and other gathering and congregations shall be permitted with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. The parties concerned and management committee of the Hall/Hotel shall be responsible to ensure strict compliance of the COVID appropriate behaviours and any violations in this regard shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/-.
3. All religious places/places of worship shall be permitted for public worship with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc.. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. The Management Committee of the religious places shall be responsible to ensure strict compliance of the COVID appropriate behaviours and any violations in this regard shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/- payable by the Committee.
4. All Tourists spots in South Andaman District is permitted to open for tourism activities with immediate effect and strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc.. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. Any violations of the above by the operators of the tourism activities shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.20,000/-.



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5. All Parks/ Playgrounds/ Stadiums/Gyms and yoga institutes shall be permitted with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc. Any person violating the above directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.1,000/-, whereas the organisation shall be fined to the tune of Rs.25,000/-.
6. Academic congregations shall be allowed with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. The Owner/Proprietor of the academic institutions/coaching centre shall be responsible to ensure strict compliance of the COVID appropriate behaviours and any violations in this regard shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/-.
7. Indoor/Outdoor Sports activities shall be allowed with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. The management of the indoor facility shall be responsible to ensure strict compliance and any violations of the directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/-.



8. Theatres shall be permitted to function with strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours like wearing of mask, social distancing, cough etiquettes etc. Provision of thermal scanning and use of hand wash and sanitizers will be mandatory. The owner of the theatre shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/- in case of any violations.

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the emergent circumstances, this order is being issued ex-parte and is addressed to the public in general. This order shall be promulgated in the South Andaman District by announcement through publicity vans and affixing of copies thereof at notice boards of the Office of the District Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrates/Executive Magistrates as well as prominent public places and publication in the newspapers having circulation in the district. Further, the Superintendent of Police/Sub-Divisional Magistrate/Executive Magistrates and all authorities concerned shall ensure strict compliance of this order and shall adequately inform and sensitize the field functionaries to note that these restrictions fundamentally relate to movement of people, but not to that of essential services.

Any disobedience of the above orders shall invite penal action u/s 188 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 and the relevant provisions of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 against the violator(s) and fine shall also be imposed as per orders issued by this office from time to time.

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This order shall come into immediate effect and shall remain in force till further orders.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on 08th February 2022.



(SUNEEL ANCHIPAKA, IAS)
District Magistrate
South Andaman District
(No.1-1/DC/PA/COVID-19/2022)

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5. The Deputy Commissioner (N&M)/Nicobar for information.
6. The Superintendent of Police, SAD with the direction to ensure strict compliance of the order.
7. The Secretary (PBMC), for information and necessary action.
8. The ADM, South Andaman with the direction to ensure strict compliance of the order.
9. The SDM, South Andaman with the direction to ensure strict compliance of the order.
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