

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

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Port Blair dated the 17th August 2021

ORDER NO.

1033

WHEREAS, an Order No.986 dt. 10.08.2021 was issued in continuation to Order Nos. 959 dt. 03.08.2021, 927 dt. 27.07.2021, 900 dt. 20.07.2021, 870 dt. 13.07.2021, 832 dt. 06.07.2021, 803 dt. 28.06.2021, 773 dt. 21.06.2021, 745 dt. 14.06.2021, 715 dt. 07.06.2021, 696 dt. 31.05.2021 and 682 dt. 22.05.2021, thereby extending the lockdown imposed in the South Andaman District till 10.08.2021, in view of the unprecedented surge in the positive cases of COVID-19.

AND WHEREAS, in order to bring uniformity in implementing graded restriction/relaxation measures for COVID-19, it is critical that the lifting of restrictions/providing relaxations be carefully calibrated with continuous focus on containment efforts to curb the spread of infection as per the advisory of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India issued vide D.O.No.Z.28015/85/2021-DM Cell dated 28th June 2021, shall be scrupulously implemented in the District.

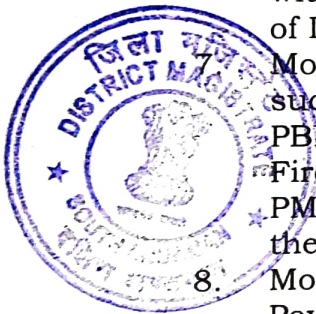
AND WHEREAS, the Chief Secretary, A&N Administration in the capacity as Chairperson, Union Territory Disaster Management Executive Committee for the Union Territory of A&N Islands vide Order No.114 dt. 31st July 2021 has instructed to ensure compliance to the containment measures for COVID-19 management in accordance with the advisories issued by MoH&FW and the same shall remain in force till 31st August 2021.

AND WHEREAS, in order to ensure containment measures of isolation and social distancing in the South Andaman District with continuous focus on the fivefold strategy for effective management of COVID-19 i.e., Test-Track-Treat-Vaccination and adherence to COVID appropriate behavior to control any surge of the cases of COVID-19 again 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 order the following:-

1. Lockdown/restricted movement shall continue to be in force in the entire District of South Andaman from 18.08.2021 with no movement of men and materials between 10:00 PM to 06:00 AM except for those specified below.

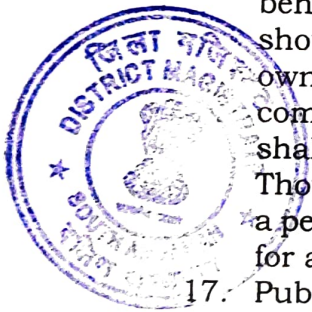
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2. Shops selling essential and non-essential items shall be allowed to open between 06:00 AM to 10:00 PM by observing COVID appropriate behavior. It shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/In-Charge of the shop/business establishment to ensure its compliance and shall be held responsible for any violation and he/she shall be liable to be fined to the tune of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only) in addition to sealing of the shop/establishment for a period of 14 days by the Executive Magistrate and shall be liable for action under DM Act.
3. No movement of men and material without valid movement pass/e-pass shall be allowed after 10:00 PM.
4. Movement shall be allowed after 10:00 PM for medical emergency cases.
5. Persons engaged for essential activities for movement of goods on Andaman Trunk road, loading and unloading of essential cargo after 10:00 PM shall be allowed on production of valid movement permit issued by the Office of District Magistrate.
6. Travel of persons who intend to proceed to their destinations at mainland after 10:00 PM shall be allowed on production of valid travel documents. However, the person (one person) who intend to pick/drop after 10:00 PM, should apply for e-pass well in advance with supporting documents and the same shall be issued by the Office of District Magistrate on case to case basis.
7. Movement of officers/officials involved in providing essential services such as District Administration, Police, CISF, Health Services, ICMR, PBMC, Electricity, Shipping Services, Home Guards, Civil Defence, Fire and emergency services, Defence personnel on duty after 10:00 PM shall be permitted on production of valid Identity Cards issued by their concerned departments.
8. Movement of Officers/Officials, involved in providing services such as Pay & Accounts, Forest, Banking, Water Supply & Sanitation in Rural Areas, Disaster Management, Port services and related services, Telecommunication shall be allowed after 10:00 PM on production of movement passes already issued by the Office of District Magistrate.
9. Movement of personnel involved in providing Broadcasting, all print and electronic media persons after 10:00 PM shall be allowed on production of valid movement passes issued by the Office of District Magistrate.
10. Movement of personnel involved in providing essential/emergency services shall be allowed after 10:00 PM on production of e-passes to be issued by the Office of District Magistrate. It shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/In-Charge of the shop/business establishment to ensure its compliance and also if any person attached with such organisation is found misusing the e-passes or using the same for purposes other than it is meant for, the owner/in-charge shall be held responsible and he/she shall be liable to be fined to the tune of Rs.25,000/- (Rupees Twenty Five Thousand Only) and shall also be liable for action under DM Act.



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11. All POL outlets shall be opened from 06:00 AM to 10:00 PM.
12. Movement of private medical personnel such as Doctors, nursing staff, paramedics etc. attached with diagnostic centres and clinics, veterinary clinics shall be allowed after 10:00 PM on production of e-passes issued by the Office of District Magistrate.
13. Movement of persons from containment zones shall be strictly restricted and shall only be permitted on case to case basis upon approval from the Office of District Magistrate.
14. Port services will continue to operate as usual and both essential and non-essential cargo can be moved in and out of port, as per requirement for loading/unloading/clearing of cargo and the same shall be permitted till 10:00 PM only. e-Passes for operation of cargo movement after 10:00 PM needs to be obtained, which shall be strictly permitted on case to case basis by the Office of the District Magistrate.
15. Construction activities shall be permitted till 10:00 PM. Construction activities of national importance and strategic projects beyond 10:00 PM shall be permitted with prior permission of District Magistrate and e-Passes needs to be obtained, which shall be strictly permitted on case to case basis by the Office of the District Magistrate.
16. Movement of persons involved with Hotels/Restaurants and Mess for home delivery of food shall be allowed till 10:00 PM. Dine-in shall be permitted between 06:00 AM to 10:00 PM only, subject to 50% of the seating capacity and strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours. However, take away/parcel service and home delivery should be encouraged. It shall be the sole responsibility of the owner/In-Charge of the shop/business establishment to ensure its compliance and he/she shall be held responsible for any violation and shall be liable to be fined to the tune of Rs.50,000/- (Rupees Fifty Thousand Only) in addition to sealing of the shop/establishment for a period of 14 days by the Executive Magistrate and shall also be liable for action under DM Act.
17. Public Transport/Buses shall be allowed to ply with strict adherence to the SOPs issued in this regard by the Transport department.
18. Sale and service of liquor at licensed premises shall be permitted till 10:00 PM. SOPs and orders regarding the timings for sale and service of liquor at all licensed establishments (C, C1, B1, B2, B3 and B4 category) issued by the Deputy Commissioner (Excise), South Andaman should be strictly adhered to.
19. All Parks/ Playgrounds/ Stadiums/Gyms and yoga institutes shall be permitted till 10:00 pm with 50% capacity and strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours. 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/-.
20. Last rites/funerals shall be permitted with a maximum of 20 persons with strict adherence of to COVID appropriate behaviours.
21. No tribal passes will be issued for southern group of islands till further orders except for official purposes/national importance and strategic projects.



22. All Religious places/ places of worship are allowed to open till 10:00 PM with 50 persons at a time along with priest for offering prayers. Wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing, 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 and any violations of the directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/- payable by the Committee.

Religious places/ places of worship in containment zones shall remain closed. Only those outside containment zones will be allowed to open up.

23. Social gatherings shall be allowed with a maximum 50 persons. Wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing, 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 of the directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.50,000/-.
24. Theatres shall be permitted to function with 50% seating capacity and strict adherence of COVID appropriate behaviours. The owner of the theatre shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.50,000/-, in case of any violations.
25. Academic congregations shall be allowed with maximum 50% seating capacity. Wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing, 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 of the directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.50,000/-.
- SOPs in this regard shall be issued by concerned department.
26. Indoor sports activities shall be allowed with no spectators. Wearing of face masks, maintaining social distancing, 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 of the COVID appropriate behaviours and any violations of the directions shall be liable for fine to the tune of Rs.25,000/-.
- SOPs in this regard shall be issued by concerned department.
27. e-pass for emergency movement during restricted timings may be submitted online on <https://epass.andaman.gov.in>. The applicants/organizations submitting applications for e-pass should invariably submit valid and clear supporting documents, failing which the application will be summarily rejected.




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 Order issued by this office from time to time.

This order shall come into effect from 18th August 2021 and shall remain in force till 24th August 2021.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on 17th August 2021.




(SUNEEL ANCHIPAKA, IAS)
District Magistrate
South Andaman District
(No.1-1/DC/PA/COVID-19/2021)

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6. The Deputy Commissioner (N&M)/Nicobar for information.
7. The Superintendent of Police, SAD with the direction to ensure strict compliance of the order.
8. The Secretary (PBMC), for information and necessary action.
9. The SDM, South Andaman with the direction to ensure strict compliance of the order.
10. All HoDs for information and necessary action.
11. The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegrams for information and publishing in the newspaper
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13. The Doordarshan Kendra, Port Blair for information and wide dissemination.
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