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ORDER

No- 753/IV -ISS/2M-22/2020

Whereas, in order to contain spread of COVID-19 pandemic, state government vide No 753/III-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 14/07/2021 notified certain restriction measures in terms of the provisions under Disaster Management Act 2005 read with West Bengal Epidemic Disease, Covid-19 Regulations 2020, which are in effect till 30th July 2021.

Whereas, after a review of the current situation of COVID pandemic, State Executive Committee of West Bengal State Disaster Management Authority recommended further extension of restriction measures as already in force with graded and calibrated approach to relaxations as required.

Accordingly, in terms of the provisions under Disaster Management Act 2005 read with West Bengal Epidemic Disease, Covid-19 Regulations 2020, restriction measures as notified under order No-753/III-ISS/2M-22/2020 dated 14/07/2021 stand **extended upto 15/08/2021** with the following additional relaxation:

 Government programmes may be allowed in indoor places with not more than 50 % of the total seating capacity.

Wearing of masks, maintenance of physical distancing and health & hygiene protocol must be followed at all times.

Employers/ management bodies / owners / supervisors of all offices, establishments and work places shall be responsible for provisioning of all COVID safety measures including regular sanitization of work places, vaccination of employees and for compliance of stated directives and COVID appropriate norms. Work from home must be encouraged as far as possible and practical.

All outdoor activities including movement of people and vehicles shall be strictly prohibited between 9 PM to 5 AM except for health services, law and order, essential commodities including agricultural produce and other emergency services.

District administration, police commissionerates and local authorities shall ensure strict compliance of the stated directives. Any violation of the restriction measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Disaster Management Act, 2005 and under Indian Penal Code.

This order shall come into effect from 31/07/2021

Chief Secretary

Dated: 29 /07/2021