



## ORDER

**NO. SOJI/8-1(04)2020(Stage-3 NPIs):** This order is issued in suppression of this department's orders of even number dated 06.06.2021, 14.06.2021 and 21.06.2021 and in pursuance of the decisions taken in the Provincial Task Force on COVID-19 and NCOC meetings held on 28.06.2021. Accordingly, the Government of Sindh in exercise of powers under section 3(1) of Sindh Epidemic Diseases Act, 2014 (The Sindh Act VIII of 2015) declares the following within territorial jurisdictions of the Province of Sindh.

### A. GENERAL GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS:-

The disease incidence has decreased and the businesses and activities are opened but as the risk of disease spread remains, adequate preventive measures are required to be taken. Accordingly, following steps are required to be taken by all:

- i) **VACCINATION** of all eligible individuals is the prime focus now **along with SOPs** on Covid spread interruption as there is **no cure** and **only prevention** remains the strategy to contain the disease. Accordingly, **all the organizations / offices and especially the businesses are required to ensure vaccination** of their staff/ employees at the earliest. This would become one of the conditions for further opening or closure in future.
- ii) **Random checking of vaccination status of staff/ employees** will be started soon and further action will be taken as per law.
- iii) Whereas it is important to highlight that **the Vaccination provides individual protection** from this disease by preventing infection or diminishing impact of infections of vaccinated individuals while the **Risk of disease spread among population remains**. Therefore, it is re-enforced and reiterated that **strict implementation of the SOPs will be continued**, including the following:
  - a. **Mandatory wearing of mask in public, places** and not allowing any business / customer / individual without masks.
  - b. **Observing distancing between individuals and avoiding crowd formation / crowding**.
  - c. **Frequent hand washing / hand sanitization** and provision of facilities to the staff / public, as applicable, by the businesses and concerns.
  - d. **Queue formations, floor markings and caution sign boards** at all public places by concerned businesses and organizations.
  - e. **Notice / board mentioning restricted capacity of individuals within any space / business concern/ office at its entrance**. No individual more than such capacity is to be allowed inside by the concerned.
- iv) **Businesses / premises / offices will be checked for these general measures and compliance of SOPs and further restrictions / opening will accordingly be enforced/allowed keeping in view disease spread patterns.**

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**B. ACTIVITIES / BUSINESS TIMINGS OPENED SUBJECT TO STRICT OBSERVANCE OF CONDITIONS/ SOPs AS AT SECTION-A ABOVE:-**

- i) **General Business closing 10:00 pm.**
- ii) **Bakeries and Dairy Milk shops closure 12:00 midnight.**
- iii) **Essential services** as listed in earlier order of even number dated 7<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 may continue.
- iv) **Restaurants/Hotels/Cafes** can open **Indoor & outdoor dining** with seating distance of at least 3 feet **till 11:59 pm.** However, Indoor dining is allowed at 50% occupancy for vaccinated individuals only which the **Restaurants/Hotels/Cafes** management will ensure by checking vaccination certificates of the guests. **Drive through, takeaway and home delivery are allowed 24/7.**
- v) **Outdoor marriage/functions are allowed with limit of 400** guests/family with seating distance of at least 3 feet and subject to complying all requirements as at Section-A of this order. **Indoor marriage/functions are allowed only for vaccinated individuals with limit of 200** guests/family which the **Marriage/Wedding halls association** as well as management will ensure by checking vaccination certificates of the guests as well as ensure staff/management is vaccinated.
- vi) **Shrines** are opened subject to strict SOPs.
- vii) **Cinemas and Theaters** are allowed **only for vaccinated individuals till 01:00 am** which the Cinemas / Theaters management will ensure by checking of vaccination certificates of the visitors and also ensure staff/management is vaccinated.
- viii) **Indoor Gyms** only for vaccinated individuals/members with mandatory vaccination of Gym staff / management which will be sole responsibility of the owner to check the vaccination certificates of individuals/members as well as of Gym staff / management.
- ix) **Theme Parks, Amusement Parks, Water Sports** & swimming pools, Arcades with 50 % occupancy.
- x) **Public Transport** is allowed to operate with 70% occupancy with mandatory mask wearing & Covid SOPs.
- xi) **Offices (Public / Private) – 100% attendance** with Covid SOPs
- xii) Open spaces, walking tracks, Parks, Picnic Spots and beaches are **opened** subject to adherence to distancing measures and observance of SOPs. Action against violators / management including closure of space / facility may be warranted in case of non-adherence to SOPs.

**C. SAFE / CLOSED DAYS:-**

**For businesses** one closure day in a week to be enforced. Sunday for Karachi Division whereas, the Commissioners of other divisions may declare as per local customs for districts within their jurisdiction.

**D. CLOSED ACTIVITIES / BUSINESSES:-**

- i) **Ban on all types of indoor /outdoor gatherings** including cultural, musical / religious / miscellaneous events
- ii) **Small gatherings** of close members inside homes in open ventilated spaces with distancing measures and other precautions as at section-A of this order are allowed.



- iii) All contact sports (**Karate, Boxing, Martial Arts, Rugby, Water Polo, Kabadi & Wrestling**), Sports facilities, Sports tournaments, festivals, cultural and other events, (Activities like horse riding, Polo and Golf etc being non-contact and held in open are allowed).
- iv) Exhibition /Expo Centres and Halls remain closed (will be reviewed as per disease spread pattern)

#### **E. SPECIAL FOCUS AREAS / RESTRICTIONS AS PER DISEASE SPREAD:-**

Districts, Cities / Towns, Hot spot areas with high number of positivity / cases or areas /activities / businesses with gross violations may have any or all non-essential activity closed for sake of control of disease spread.

Implementation of Broader lockdowns with stringent enforcement protocols based on risk assessment will continue as per the regular sharing heat maps by NCOC.

#### **F. EMPOWERMENT:-**

Under section 3(1) of the Sindh Epidemic Diseases Act, 2014 (The Sindh Act VIII of 2015)

- i) **Secretaries** of concerned departments of Government of Sindh, **Divisional Commissioners** and **Deputy Commissioners** of Districts of Province of Sindh are empowered to issue further directions, guidelines, notices etc to ensure implementations of this order within their jurisdictional area; issuing such directions / notices, guidelines in line with this order including added measures and restrictions as mentioned at Section-E of this order by taking concerned Secretaries / Commissioners /Director General, Health / District Health Officer, on board as the case may be.
- ii) All Deputy Commissioner, Assistant Commissioners and the District / Field officers of concerned departments with due authorization of Secretary or Director General concerned as well as personnel of Law Enforcement Agencies not below the rank of Inspector of Police to take legal action against violators of this order under the Act *ibid* or relevant Labour, Industrial or other applicable laws.

#### **G. IMPLEMENTATION:-**

Commissioners of the respective Divisions are directed to ensure constituting of District level committees consisting of members from District administration, Police, concerned / other departments (all members not below the rank of (BS-17) **to conduct surprise check/raids** without prior intimation and preferably with video recording for record purpose where gross violations of preventive measures/SOPs are taking place/reported.

#### **H. VALIDITY OF THE ORDER:-**

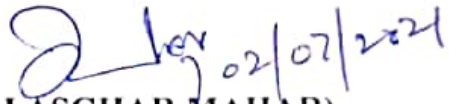
In view of regular reviews and assessment at level of NCOC / NCC and Provincial Task Force these directions are enforced with immediate effect till 31<sup>st</sup> July 2021 or until changed or withdrawn.



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1. The Secretary, Ministry of Interior, Government of Pakistan Islamabad
2. The Secretary, Ministry of National Health Services, Regulation & Coordination, Government of Pakistan Islamabad
3. The Chairman, Planning & Development Board, Sindh Karachi.
4. The Senior Member Board of Revenue Sindh, Karachi.
5. The Principal Secretary to Governor Sindh, Karachi.
6. The Principal Secretary to Chief Minister Sindh, Karachi.
7. The Chairman, Anti-Corruption establishment, Sindh, Karachi.
8. The Director General Rangers Sindh, Karachi.
9. The Administrative Secretaries of Government of Sindh (All).
10. The Inspector General of Police Sindh, Karachi.
11. The Commissioner (all) in Sindh.
12. The Deputy Commissioner, (all) in Sindh.
13. The Senior Superintendent, of Police, (all) in Sindh.
14. The Director, Press Information Department for given wide publicity in electronic and print media.
15. The Deputy Secretary (staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
16. The Deputy Director (operations), National Command
17. The DS (Staff) to Chief Secretary Sindh, Karachi.
18. The Superintendent, Sindh Government Printing press, Karachi for Publication in the next issue of Government Gazette and provide copies thereof.
19. The PSO to ACS Home Sindh, Karachi.

  
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