

No. SML-ADM(L&O)/COVID-19-840-852
Office of the District Magistrate,
Shimla, District Shimla (HP)

Dated Shimla-1 29th April, 2021

Order U/S 34 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

Whereas, all types of social/ cultural/ religious/ political/ academic and sports gatherings have been banned in Shimla district to contain the spread of COVID-19 and the number of persons to attend marriage functions/ funeral was also restricted upto 50.

Whereas, it has come to the notice during checking of the marriage functions by the officers of District Administration and Task Force Committees constituted for the purpose of monitoring of marriages functions that the conditions related to number of persons and social distancing etc. are not being fulfilled. Marriage functions are continuing upto 2-3 days and people in large number are attending the same. Further, the community Lunch and Dham being organized during marriages has become a big source of virus infection.

Whereas, the prevailing situation in all probability is likely to increase the spread of virus to each household/ participants of the marriage functions and I am satisfied that there is an imminent threat to public health & safety.

Therefore, with a view to minimize the chances of spread of virus, I, Aditya Negi, IAS, Chairman, District Disaster Management Authority-cum-District Magistrate, Shimla exercising the powers vested in me under Section 34 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, in addition to the conditions imposed vide order No. SML-ADM(L&O)/ COVID-19-676-688 dated 13-04-2021 hereby impose the following restrictions within jurisdiction of district Shimla:-



1. Maximum 20 persons shall be allowed to attend the marriage functions.
2. In no case, the marriage function will extend beyond one day.
3. Total number of persons who will attend the marriage including the organizers from inception till the function is over, shall not exceed 20 in any case.
4. The organizers will seek permission from concerned Sub-Divisional Magistrate for specific hours, who shall accord permission after taking into account the overall situation and circumstances.
5. There shall be no permission to use DJ.
6. There shall be total ban on organising Dham or community kitchen.

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7. All the directions issued vide office order no. SML-ADM(L&O)/COVID-19-792-807 dated 26-04-2021 in respect of persons coming to the district from outside the state shall be applicable.
8. All the permissions already given by the SDMs to organise marriage functions shall stand superseded in conformity with the directions being issued under this order.

It shall be the responsibility of Police and concerned Sub-Divisional Magistrates to ensure implementation of this order within their respective jurisdictions by involving the representatives of PRIs and ULBs.

This order shall come into force with immediate effect in the entire territorial jurisdiction of Shimla district and will remain in force till further orders. Violation of this order shall attract provisions of Section 51 to 60 of Disaster Management Act, 2005, Section 188, 269 & 270 of IPC and Section 111, 114 and 115 of HP Police Act, 2007 and the violators shall be prosecuted accordingly.

Given under my hand and seal of the office on this 29th day of April, 2021.

(Aditya Negi, IAS)
Chairman, District Disaster Management Authority
-cum- District Magistrate, Shimla

Endst. No. SML-ADM (L&O)/COVID-19-840-252 Dated 29th April, 2021

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1. The Chief Secretary cum Chairperson, SEC, Himachal Pradesh for information please.
2. The Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh for information please.
3. The Divisional Commissioner, Shimla Division, Shimla-2 for information please.
4. The Director, Urban Development, Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please.
5. The Director, Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, Himachal Pradesh for information and necessary action please
6. The Superintendent of Police, Shimla for information and necessary action.
7. The ADC, Shimla/ ADM, (P) Shimla for information and necessary action.
8. The Chief Medical Officer, Shimla for information and necessary action.
9. All the SDMs in Shimla District for information and necessary action.
10. The DSO, Shimla for information and necessary action.
11. All the BDOs in district Shimla for information and necessary action.
12. The DIO, Shimla to upload the order on official website of District Administration.
13. The DPRO, Shimla for wide publicity of the order.



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