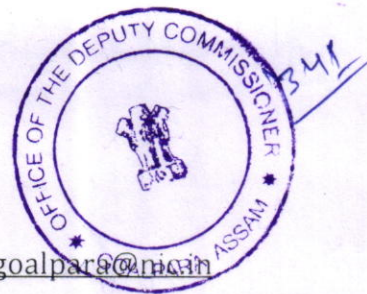




GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
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ORDER

Whereas, the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Goalpara has vide order No. DDMA/Goalpara/37/2020/Pt.I/301-331 - (A) Dated: 26/10/2021 issued consolidated and revised guidelines for the district of Goalpara for containment of COVID - 19 in both rural and urban areas until further order.

Whereas, the situation of COVID 19 in the District has been reviewed and observed that, though the number of COVID 19 patients and positivity rate is declining, the situation is still precarious, for which adequate containment measures for both urban and rural areas are still necessary for containment COVID-19 across the District.

Whereas, the situation of COVID-19 in the State has been further reviewed and the overall case load and positivity rate are declining steadily;

Whereas, certain major festivals in the State such as Kali Puja, Dipavali, etc. will be celebrated in the coming months, leading to large congregation of people in the enclosed spaces;

Whereas, the Health and Family Welfare Department, Assam has vide Order NO. HLA 264/2020/55 Dated 15th September, 2021 issued general guidelines for Puja and upcoming festivals in Assam. **(Annexure - B)**

Whereas, gatherings in enclosed spaces without prior social distancing and maintenance of the COVID-19 protocols runs the risk of spread of Corona virus and may also give rise to serious difficulties in contact tracing, thereby adversely affecting containment of the spread of COVID-19

Whereas, it is necessary to formulate norms of public gathering during the forthcoming major festivals in the state in order to ensure that people are able to celebrate these festivals with joy gusto, while at the same time adhering to extant COVID-19 protocols

Therefore in exercise of the powers, conferred under section 30 (2) (IV), (2) & (2) (XXIX) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and order from CEO, ASDMA vide order no. ASDMA.28/2021/304 Dated: 27th October, 2021, I, the Deputy Commissioner cum Chairman, District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Goalpara, considering the present COVID-19 situation of the district, which are to be strictly adhered by all the event organizers/visitors/participants of the proposed festivals hereby issue the following directives which will be applicable in both urban and rural areas which will remain in force with immediate effect **FROM 5 AM of 28th October, 2021** and will remain in force until further orders.

A. Containment Zones :

In case of test positivity of COVID-19 in any area reaches more than 10 cases in the last seven days, the said area will be notified as containment zones following due procedure.

However, in such zones, emergency services will continue round the clock and essential services including shops, dealing with groceries, fruits and vegetables, dairy and milk booths, animal fodder, etc. will remain open up to 10.00 pm.

Delivery of all essential goods including food, pharmaceuticals, medical equipment through e-commerce in such areas will continue round the clock.

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B. Restrictions imposed:

Except for exemptions given in Annexure 'C' ,

1. The Curfew time will effective from **11 PM to 5 AM** in the District until further order.
2. Opening of work place and business/commercial establishments remain open up to 10.00 P.M.
3. Functioning of Govt. and private offices/ establishments remain open up to 10.00 P.M.
4. Opening of Shops and commercial establishments remain open up to 10.00 P.M.
5. Shops dealing with groceries, fruits and vegetables, diary and milk booths, animal fodder remain open up to 10.00 PM.
6. Dine in Restaurants, Dhabas and other eateries (upto 50% of seating capacity) with takeaway of food items from Restaurants, Dhabas and other eateries remain open up to 10.00 P.M.
7. Opening of sale counters, showrooms etc. of cold storage and warehouses remain open up to 10.00 P.M.

C. Other restrictions and relaxations :

1. All Government servants (including Contractual and fixed pay) who have taken at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine shall attend office. However all other employees except those in whose case vaccination is contra-indicated as per guidelines issued by the Health Department of Government of Assam and /or such claim is certified by a registered medical practitioner will have to get themselves vaccinated within 3 days from the date of issue of this order and attend office.
2. Employees engaged in emergency/essential services shall attend their duty without any restrictions at any place.
3. The organizations (Government/Private) rendering Essential/Emergency Services, Law Enforcement Services and Election work will continue working without any restrictions.
4. Pregnant women employees and women with children of 3 years or below working under any Government / PSU / Financial Institutions / Private Organizations irrespective of their grade shall be eligible to work from home.
5. Persons with disabilities (PwDs) working in any Government/PSU/ Financial Institutions/Private organizations shall be allowed to attend duties.

D. Public Transport (Government and Private) :

1. Goods transport shall continue unhindered.
2. All Public transport authorities shall enforce COVID-19 appropriate behaviour and seating inside the vehicles, carriers, containers etc.
3. Auto Rickshaws, Cycle Rickshaws and Taxis shall operate for passengers with 100% seating capacity and observance of COVID-19 appropriate behaviour for passengers having at least a single dose of vaccine.
4. Pillion riding on motorcycles may be allowed with at least single vaccinated persons and compulsory wearing of mask.
5. Intra-district transport, with 100% seating capacity subject to observance of COVID-19 appropriate behaviour, shall be allowed for passengers having at least single dose of vaccine.