

  
GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER :::: GOALPARA  
(DISTRICT DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY)



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**ORDER**

Whereas, the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Goalpara has vide order No. DDMA/Goalpara/37/2020/Pt.I/180-186 - (A) Dated: 01/09/2021 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 Durga Puja, 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 15<sup>th</sup> 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.28/2021/247 Dated: 1st 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 effect from **5 AM of October 02, 2021 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.