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29TH APRIL, 2021

Failure to comply with this order shall be liable for penal action under section 188 of Indian Penal Code and other relevant provisions of laws in force.

Given under my hand and seal of this office on this 16th day of April, 2021.

*Ajit Roy,* IAS, District Magistrate & MCEO, North Goa.

#### Order

### No. 40/01-2021-MAG/L & O/ELN/1018

### Under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1973.

Whereas, the Goa State Election Commission announced the schedule for Mapusa Municipal Council Elections and Bye-Election to Ward No. II of Karapur-Sarvan village of Bicholim Taluka to be held on 23rd April, 2021 (Friday) and the Election Code of Conduct has come into force from 30-03-2021.

And whereas, Section 29(A) of Goa Excise Duty Act, 1964 empowers the District Magistrate to order the closure of the licensed premises "for the sale of liquor" within his/her jurisdiction for such period as may be necessary and appropriate for maintenance of law and order.

And whereas, in my considered opinion, there is sufficient grounds for proceeding under sub-section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 for closure of all the licensed premises "For the sale of liquor" in jurisdiction of Mapusa Municipal Council areas and Ward No. II of Karapur-Sarvan village of Bicholim Taluka of North Goa District shall remain closed from "00.00 hrs. of 22-04-2021 till midnight of 23-04-2021 and on the day of Counting of Votes i.e. on 26-04-2021 from 00.00 hrs. till midnight of 26-04-2021 in view of polling and counting of votes for Mapusa Municipal Council Elections and Bye-Election to Ward No. II of Karapur-Sarvan village of Bicholim Taluka of North Goa District.

And whereas, I am satisfied that the circumstances do not permit the serving, in due time, of the notices individually upon the persons against whom this order is directed and therefore, under the powers vested in me under sub-section (2) of Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 I hereby pass the order ex-parte.

Now therefore, I, Ajit Roy, IAS, District Magistrate, North Goa District, in exercise of the power vested in me under sub-section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 read with Section 29A of the Goa Excise Duty Act, 1964 do hereby order that all the licensed premises "for the sale of liquor" in jurisdiction of Mapusa Municipal Council areas and Ward No. II of Karapur-Sarvan village of Bicholim Taluka of North Goa District shall remain closed from "00.00 hrs. of 22-04-2021 till midnight of 23-04-2021 and on the day of Counting of Votes i.e. on 26-04-2021 from 00.00 hrs. till midnight of 26-04-2021, in view of polling and counting of votes for Mapusa Municipal Council Elections and Bye-Election to Ward No. II of Karapur-Sarvan village of Bicholim Taluka of North Goa District.

Further, the licensed premises having license for Bar and Restaurant are allowed to keep the Restaurant open for serving food only and the Bar counter shall be closed and no liquor shall be allowed to be served on the above mentioned days and time. The owners of the licensed premises having Bar and Restaurant shall display a board in the premises stating that No Liquor will be served on the said days and time and that only the Restaurant is open for serving food.

Failure to comply with this order shall result in the cancellation of licences and the owner or offender shall be liable for penal action under Section 188 of Indian Penal Code, Section 30 of the Excise Duty Act, 1964 and other relevant provisions of laws in force.

Given under my hand and seal of this office on this 21st day of April, 2021.

Ajit Roy, IAS, District Magistrate & MCEO, North Goa.

#### Order

No. 8/8/2021/MAG/L&O/Vol. II/1016

# Under Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of 1973.

Whereas, a surge in COVID-19 cases is being witnessed in Goa and other parts of the country, and the situation might further aggravate due to public gatherings and active interactions along with high positivity rate;

And whereas, in order to contain the spread of the said pandemic, certain measures are required to be taken to prevent the further spread of the disease;

And whereas in my considered opinion, there is sufficient grounds for proceeding under sub-section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure,

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1973 to take preventive steps to contain the spread of Virus by restricting public gatherings and activities;

And whereas, in am satisfied that the circumstances do not permit the serving, in due time, of the notices individually upon the persons against whom this order is directed and therefore, under the powers vested in me under sub-section (2) of Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, I hereby pass the order ex-parte;

Now, therefore, I, Ajit Roy, IAS, District Magistrate, North Goa District, in exercise of the powers conferred upon me by Section 144 of the Code of Criminal Procedure 1973, direct that the following activities shall be prohibited or restricted in the District of North Goa, till further orders:

1. No shops/establishments to remain open between 10 pm. to 6 am. except industries/factories and other essential offices/utilities such as Government offices and PSUs, local bodies, medical and health facilities, chemists, groceries/eatables, restaurant kitchen, hotels, public and private transports, Print and Electronic media, Telecommunication and Internet services, banks, insurance, ATMs, Petrol Pumps, LPG cylinder services.

2. The following establishments may run, but with less than 50% capacity.

- a. bars/restaurants,
- b. river cruises/waterparks/entertainment parks,
- c. gym/spa/massage parlours,
- d. cinema halls, theatres, multiplexes,
- e. casinos,
- f. buses used as public transport.

3. The following establishment/facilities/events shall remain closed till further order.

- a. swimming pool,
- b. schools, Colleges, educational and coaching institutions, except for examinations of college students,
- c. religious places for the public, however the custodian of such establishments may carry out regular activities.
- d. social/political/sports/entertainment/ academic/cultural functions and other congregations, except for, events with the permission of the government, marriages with 50 with permission from DM/SDM or less people and cremation with less than 20 people,

e. gathering of five or more persons at public places, except for official functions or with permission from DM/SDM.

All non-government employers are also advised to actively plan for and promote work from home for the employees working in their shops/ /establishments/factories.

Any person contravening this order shall be punishable under Section 188 of the Indian Penal Code and Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

This order comes into force from 00:00 hrs. of 22 April, 2021 (intervening midnight of 21st and 22nd April, 2021).

This Order supersedes the Order No. 8/8/2021--MAG/L&O(Vol.II)/962 dated 17-4-2021 and Order No. 8/8/2021-MAG/L&O(Vol. II)/892 dated 07-4-2021.

Given under my hand and seal of this office on this 21st day of April, 2021.

Ajit Roy, IAS, District Magistrate, North Goa.

#### Order

No. 8/8/2021/MAG/L&O/Vol. II/962

Read: Order No. 8/8/2020-MAG/L&O/(VOL-II)/892 dated 07-04-2021.

Whereas, a fresh surge in COVID-19 cases is being witnessed in Goa as well as some parts of the country, and the situation might further aggravate due to religious/sports/entertainment/educational/ cultural or any other form of gatherings,

And whereas, in order to contain the spread or the said pandemic, certain measures are required to be taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

And whereas, in my considered opinion, there is sufficient grounds for proceeding under sub-section (1) of Section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973 to take preventive steps to contain the spread or Virus.

Now therefore, I, Ajit Roy, IAS, District Magistrate, North Goa District, in exercise of the power vested in me under sub-section (1) or the section 144 of Code of Criminal Procedure, 1973, and in continuation of the Order No. 8/8/2020-MAG/L&O/ (VOL-II)/892 dated 07-04-2021 do hereby direct that any gatherings of more than 50 persons shall not be allowed in the jurisdictions of North Goa without the prior written permission of the Sub-District Magistrate concerned. Any gathering beyond the