Sub:- Order under National Disaster Management Act, 2005 - regarding.

ORDER

Section 34 of the National Disaster Management Act, 2005, (DM, Act) empowers the District Magistrate to issue directions and guidelines for the purpose of assisting, protecting or providing relief to the community in response to any threatening disaster situation. As such, vide powers vested in me under the said section, I hereby issue the following directions to be complied by the concerned, towards mitigating the transmission of COVID-19, in Ramban District:

a) No Hotels, Restaurants, Dhabas, Bars, Food Courts, Food Stalls, Road Side Eateries etc., shall operate in District Ramban till 31st of March, 2020.

b) All Tuition and Coaching Centres, Parks, Picnic Spots, Gymnasium, and other Recreational Places shall remain closed till 31st of March 2020.

c) No Social, religious or ritualistic events shall be held at any public/community/religious place, involving a gathering of 5 or more people, till 31st of March, 2020, in District Ramban.

d) No Conferences, Events, Rallies, Dharnas, Protests etc., shall be organized within the territorial limits of District Ramban till, 31st of March, 2020.

e) The Assistant Regional Transport Officer, Ramban shall ensure that public and private transport operating in the District shall be sanitized with the prescribed disinfectants and at such regular intervals as prescribed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI (refer website of MoHFW). Accordingly, he shall ensure and organize necessary briefings and sensitization of the drivers and cleaners, through his staff.

f) All Executive Officers of Municipal Communities shall ensure that public places particularly the Bus/Taxi/Auto Stands, Sabzi Mandis, Railway Station etc., at Ramban, Batote and Banihal shall be sanitized with the prescribed disinfectants and at such regular intervals as prescribed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI. Accordingly, he shall ensure and organize necessary briefings and sensitization of his staff.
g) All the Shelter and lodgment Centres for stranded National Highway Passengers in District Ramban shall remain closed till, 31st of March, 2020.

h) Senior Superintendent of Police, Ramban, All SDMs, Tehsildars and SHOs of District Ramban shall ensure that the order is implemented in letter and spirit.

i) Public at large is also being informed that **section 51 of the Disaster Management Act** provides for penalties in case a person obstructs any officer or employee in discharge of his functions or refuses to comply with any direction given under this Act. Any violation of the above directions will, therefore, lead to prosecution under section 51 of the DM Act, 2005.

No:-DCR/HRD/2583-2603

Date:- 16-03-2020.

Nazim Zai Khan (KAS)
District Magistrate,
Ramban

Copy for information to the:
1. Chief Secretary, J&K.
2. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu.
3. IGP, Jammu.

Copy for information & necessary action to the:
1. Senior Superintendent of Police, Ramban.
2. Senior Superintendent of Police, Traffic (NH-44) Ramban.
3. Additional District Magistrate, Ramban.
4. Assistant Commissioner (Revenue) Ramban.
5. Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Gool/Banihal/Ramsoo.
6. Chief Executive Officer, Patnitop Development Authority.
7. Chief Medical Officer, Ramban.
8. Medical Superintendent, DH Ramban.
9. Assistant Regional Transport Officer, Ramban.
10. Tehsildars, All.
11. SHO, All.
12. District Information Officer, Ramban for vide circulation of the Order.
13. Executive Officer, Municipal Committee, Ramban/Banihal/Batote.