

OFFICE OF DISTRICT MAGISTRATE KANGRA AT DHARAMSHALA

No. 1639 SK/DM

Dated 29th April/2021

ORDER UNDER SECTION 34 OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT- 2005

WHEREAS the undersigned vide order no. 734-770, dated 26th March, 2021 has restricted the gatherings/congregations in marriages upto the limit of maximum of fifty person to limit the social contacts in order to curtail the spread of Covid-19 in the District Kangra;

WHEREAS it has been brought to the notice of the undersigned that there are number of violations of aforementioned order by the organizers of marriages in the District Kangra

WHEREAS a sharp surge in the Covid-19 positive cases has been reported in District Kangra and such a fast spread of Covid-19 has put the precious lives of residents on risk along with huge pressure on the health infrastructure ;

WHEREAS it is proven and established fact that Covid-19 spreads from person to person through personal contact and through air and it is mandatory to limit the social gatherings/congregations to curtail the spread of Covid-19;

THEREFORE, I, Rakesh Kumar Prajapati, IAS, District Magistrate, Kangra at Dharamshala in exercise of the powers conferred in me under section 34 of the Disaster Management Act-2005 and in amendment to order no. 734-770 SK/DM, dated 26nd March, 2021, do hereby order and direct that;

1. there will be complete ban on the public functions of marriages and all mass feast/dham shall be completely prohibited within the jurisdiction of District Kangra from 1st May, 2021 onwards
2. only the closest relatives of bride and groom shall be allowed to attend the marriage functions on and after 1st May, 2021 subject to the strict adherence to the maximum gathering limit of 20 people in each marriage function and the scope of aforesaid gathering limits cannot be extended with any means of staggering and it shall be mandatory to upload the list of participants on the online portal covid.hp.gov.in while applying for permission for marriages along with sharing the same with concerned Gram Panchayat Pradhan and Ward Member
3. The marriage functions to be organized on and after 1st May, 2021, which have already been permitted as per the guidelines of gatherings/congregations specified in the office order no. 734-770 SK/DM of i.e fifty persons shall be deemed to be restricted/amended to 20 persons and the permission for public function and group banquet stands cancelled with immediate effect.



4. The Sub Divisional Officer (C) will make the organizer aware of the terms of this order via telephone and the organizers of such marriages shall share the list of all 20 attendees of the marriage with concerned Sub Divisional Magistrate through e-mail (list of e-mail enclosed in Annexure-1) and concerned Gram Panchayat Pradhan and in case of violation of gathering rules specified as above the violator will be taken to the isolation center and will be deployed for taking care of the Covid-19 patients.
5. Playing of DJ shall be completely prohibited in marriage functions
6. any person coming from High Load State like Punjab, Delhi-NCR etc. to attend a marriage in district Kangra will have to mandatorily bring their Covid-19 negative test report and show it at the border check posts of district Kangra.
7. any person going in any High Load State like Punjab, Delhi-NCR etc. to attend a marriage will remain under quarantine at home on their return back to the district or shall be exempted from the quarantine condition on production of Covid-19 RTPCR negative report not earlier than 72 hours from the date of entry in the borders of district.
8. All the permissions for marriage will be given according to these conditions with the date of issuance of this order.
9. All organizers of weddings ceremonies to be organized on and after 01st May, 2021 are advised to organize the same in a simple manner at home. If a mob is mobilized in violation of these rules, a case will be registered against the organizer under relevant provision of law.

COMPLIANCE of this order shall be ensured by the Superintendent of Police, Kangra, all the Sub-Divisional Magistrates, Chief Medical Officer, Kangra, all Executive Magistrates, BDO's, PRI's and Urban Local Bodies and all Organizers of Marriages in Kangra district. Violation of the order shall attract provisions of sections 51-60 of the Disaster Management Act-2005, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC and the violator shall be prosecuted accordingly

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



(Rakesh Kumar Prajapati) IAS
Chairman DDMA-cum-District Magistrate
District Kangra at Dharamshala

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- a) Chief Secretary to Government of Himachal Pradesh
- b) Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) to Government of Himachal Pradesh
- c) Divisional Commissioner Kangra

- d) Senior Superintendent of Police, District Kangra .
- e) Chief Medical Officer, District Kangra
- f) All Sub-Divisional Magistrates, District Kangra
- g) DPRO Kangra for wide publicity
- h) All Executive Magistrates in District Kangra
- i) All Block Development Officers in District Kangra
- j) All PRI's and Members of ULBs in District Kangra
- k) All concerned officers of Central and State Government working in District Kangra.
- l) All Organizers of Marriages in District Kangra.
- m) DIO Kangra with the request to upload the order on official website of the District Administration



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