

Government of West Bengal

ORDER

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Dated 26/03/2020

Government of West Bengal had issued a list of exceptions/ exemptions provided in the Complete Safety Restrictions and guidelines regarding movement of personnel as well as supply of Essential Goods and Services vide no. 26 – CS/ 2020 and 27 – CS/ 2020 dated 25/03/2020 respectively.

The Government has now decided to issue a combined order for the two issues for ease of all concerned as well as partially amend the provisions therein. Accordingly in supersession of the aforementioned orders, the Government of West Bengal now issues the following guidelines regarding exceptions/ exemptions provided in the Complete Safety Restrictions and for movement of personnel as well as supply of Essential Goods and Services :

- A. For the following Essential Goods and Services, unrestricted movement shall be allowed on production of identity cards duly issued by Government/ their employers (in case of private sector employees) :
1. Law and Order, Courts and Correctional Services
 2. Health Services and Veterinary Services
 3. Police, Armed Forces and Paramilitary Forces and Private Security Services
 4. Electricity, Water and Conservancy services
 5. Fire, Civil Defense and Emergency Services
 6. Telecom, postal services, Internet, IT & ITES, including staff engaged in maintenance of critical infrastructure such as servers, telecom towers etc.
 7. National Informatics Centre, Early Warning Agencies
 8. Banks, Insurance and ATMs
 9. Capital and Debt market services as notified by the SEBI
 10. Food including groceries, vegetables, fruits, meat, fish, bread, milk, eggs, poultry feed, cattle feed storage and transportation
 11. Cold storage and warehousing services
 12. E-commerce of groceries, food items, and home delivery of food, pharmaceuticals and medical equipment.
 13. Public utilities including petroleum, CNG, LPG, PNG storage and transportation
 14. Medicine shops, optical stores, pharmaceutical manufacturing and their transportation
 15. Production and Manufacturing units requiring continuous process (after obtaining necessary approval from the District Magistrate in their respective districts and Commissioner KMC in Kolkata Municipal Corporation area).
 16. Print, electronic media and social media, MSOs and Cable operators
 17. Manufacturing units engaged in production of essential commodities and associated supply chain

18. Hotels, home stays, lodges and motels, which are accommodating tourists and persons stranded due to lockdown, medical and emergency staff, air and sea crew.
19. Establishments used/earmarked for quarantine facilities
20. Movement of essential food commodities through road, airports, ports, railway sidings
21. Movement of forest sector essential services
22. Transport, storage and sale of seeds, insecticides, pesticides and fertilizers
23. Manufacturing units for packaging materials of food items, drugs, pharmaceuticals and medical devices
24. Movement of patients and their attendants to and fro from hospitals and nursing homes.
25. People engaged in ongoing agriculture operations.

B. The following mentioned hereunder need not have any movement passes:

- a. Private individuals going to nearby stores for procurement of essential food items, medicines, emergency health consultations etc. – not more than two people together.
- b. Individuals engaged in ongoing agricultural, animal husbandry and fisheries activities.
- c. Individuals engaged in delivery of newspapers

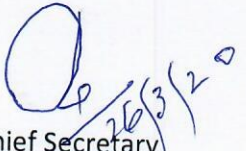
C. Personnel associated with distribution of essential commodities under PDS, Sufal Bangla, hyper marts, super stores, e – commerce platforms, home delivery of food shall be allowed unrestricted movement on production of authorization letters issued by their employers and endorsed by the local Police Authority/SDO.

The number of personnel engaged by these organizations should be kept at the bare minimum required to maintain essential services.

D. It is further clarified that movement passes/ permits endorsed or issued by any police authority/ SDO shall be valid throughout the State of West Bengal.

HOWEVER, UNDER ALL CIRCUMSTANCES THE NORMS OF SOCIAL DISTANCING SHOULD BE STRICTLY FOLLOWED.

This order is issued in public interest to ensure hassle free movement and availability of essential commodities and services to people at large during the lockdown period.


Chief Secretary