



**GOVERNMENT OF KARNATAKA**

No. RD 158 TNR 2020

Karnataka Government Secretariat,  
Vidhana Soudha,  
Bengaluru, dated:31-08-2020

**ORDER**

**Whereas**, the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, vide Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29-07-2020 extended the lockdown in Containment Zones up to 31.08.2020 and issued guidelines for Unlock 3. Consequently, the State Government vide Order No. RD 158 TNR 2020, dated 30.07.2020, issued guidelines on Unlock 3 which are in force up to 31.08.2020.

**Whereas**, on the directions of the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, vide Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 29-08-2020 has issued **Unlock 4** guidelines to re-open more activities in areas outside the Containment Zones and to extend the lockdown in the Containment Zones up to 30.09.2020.

**Hence**, in exercise of the powers, conferred under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in the capacity of Chairman, State Executive Committee, hereby issues guidelines on **Unlock 4**, as **annexed**, which shall come into effect from 01-09-2020 and will be in force including and up to 30.09.2020, for strict implementation by Commissioner BBMP, Police Commissioners, District Deputy Commissioners, Superintendents of Police, other Heads of Departments and Authorities.

  
(T M Vijay Bhaskar) 31/8/20

Chief Secretary and Chairman,  
State Executive Committee

To:

The Compiler, Karnataka Gazette, Bengaluru

**Guidelines for Phased Re-opening (Unlock 4)**  
**(As per GO No. RD 158 TNR 2020, dated 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020)**

**I. Activities permitted during Unlock 4 period outside Containment Zones**

In areas outside the Containment Zones, all activities will be permitted, except the following:

(i) Schools, colleges, educational and coaching institutions will continue to remain closed for students and regular class activity up to 30th September 2020. However, following will be permitted:

- a. Online/ distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
- b. District may permit up to 50% of teaching and non-teaching staff to be called to the schools at a time for online teaching/ tele-counselling and related work, in areas outside the Containment Zones only, with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020 for which, Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) will be issued by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) and Primary and Secondary Education Department, Govt. of Karnataka.
- c. Students of classes 9 to 12 may be permitted to visit their schools, in areas outside the Containment Zones only, on voluntary basis, for taking guidance from their teachers. This will be subject to written consent of their parents/ guardians and will be permitted with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020 for which, SOP will be issued by MoHFW and Primary and Secondary Education Department, Govt. of Karnataka.
- d. Skill or Entrepreneurship training will be permitted in National Skill Training Institutes, Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), Short term training centres registered with National Skill Development Corporation or State Skill Development Missions or other Ministries of Government of India or State Governments.

National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) and their training providers will also be permitted.

These will be permitted with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020 for which, SOP will be issued by MoHFW and Skill Development, Entrepreneurship and Livelihood Department, Govt. of Karnataka.

- e. Higher Education Institutions only for research scholars (Ph.D.) and post-graduate students of technical and professional programmes requiring laboratory/experimental works. These will be permitted by the Department of Higher Education (DHE) in consultation with

MHA, based on the assessment of the situation, and keeping in view incidence of COVID- 19 in the State.

- (ii) Metro rail will be allowed to operate with effect from 7th September 2020 in a graded manner, by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MOHUA)/Ministry of Railways (MOR), in consultation with MHA. In this regard, SOP will be issued by MOHUA and Bangalore Metro Rail Corporation Limited (BMRCL).
- (iii) Social/academic/sports/entertainment/cultural/religious/political functions and other congregations with a ceiling of 100 persons, will be permitted with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020, with mandatory wearing of face masks, social distancing, provision for thermal scanning and hand wash or sanitizer.  
**However, marriage related gatherings with number of guests not exceeding 50 and funeral/ last rites related gatherings with number of persons not exceeding 20 will continue to be allowed up to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2020, after which the ceiling of 100 persons will apply.**
- iv) Cinema halls, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres and similar places will remain closed. However, open air theatres will be permitted to open with effect from 21<sup>st</sup> September 2020.
- v) International air travel of passengers, except as permitted by MHA.

## 2. National Directives for COVID-19 Management

National Directives for COVID-19 Management, as specified in Annexure I, shall continue to be followed throughout the State.

## 3. Lockdown limited to Containment Zones

- (i) Lockdown shall remain in force in the Containment Zones till 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2020.
- (ii) Containment Zones will be demarcated by the **BBMP/District authorities** at micro level after taking into consideration the guidelines of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) and **Department of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka**, with the objective of effectively breaking the chain of transmission. Strict containment measures will be enforced in these containment zones and only essential activities will be allowed. There shall be strict perimeter control to ensure that there is no movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies and for maintaining supply of essential goods and services. In the

Containment Zones, there shall be intensive contact tracing, house-to-house surveillance, and other clinical interventions, as required. Guidelines of MoHFW and **Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka**, shall be effectively implemented for the above purpose.

(iii) These Containment Zones will be notified on the websites by the respective Commissioner, BBMP, Deputy Commissioners and information will be shared with MoHFW.

4. BBMP/District Authorities shall not impose any local lockdown (BBMP/District/Taluk/ULB/GP/Village level), outside the containment zones, without prior consultation with the State Government and Central Government.

#### 5. **No restriction on Inter-State and Intra-State movement**

There shall be no restriction on inter-State and intra-State movement of persons and goods. No separate permission/approval/e-permit will be required for such movements. However, people coming to Karnataka State from other State shall strictly adhere to the prevailing Guidelines/SOPs issued by Department of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of Karnataka and Revenue Department (DM).

#### 6. **Movement of persons with SOPS**

Movement by passenger trains; domestic passenger air travel; movement of persons on Vande Bharat and Air Transport Bubble flights; and sign-on and sign-off of Indian seafarers will continue to be regulated as per SOPs issued by concerned departments of Govt. of India.

#### 7. **Protection of vulnerable persons**

Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years are advised to stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

#### 8. **Use of *Aarogya Setu***

(i) *Aarogya Setu* enables early identification of potential risk of infection, and thus acts as a shield for individuals and the community.

(ii) With a view to ensuring safety in offices and work places, employers on best effort basis should ensure that *Aarogya Setu* is installed by all employees having compatible mobile phones.

(iii) BBMP/District authorities may advise individuals to install the *Aarogya Setu application* on compatible mobile phones and regularly update their health status on the app. This will facilitate

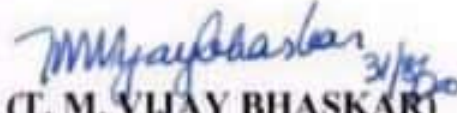
timely provision of medical attention to those individuals who are at risk.

**9. Strict enforcement of the guidelines**

- (i) Commissioner BBMP/Deputy Commissioners shall not dilute these guidelines issued under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, in any manner.
- (ii) For the enforcement of social distancing, Commissioner, BBMP/Deputy Commissioners may, as far as possible, use the provisions of Section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code (CrPC) of 1973.
- (iii) Commissioner, BBMP/Deputy Commissioners shall strictly enforce the above measures.

**10. Penal provisions**

Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at **Annexure II**.

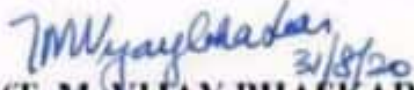
  
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**National Directives for COVID-19 Management**

1. **Face Covering:** Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places; in workplaces; and during transport. *Fine of Rs.200 in Municipal Corporation Areas and Rs. 100 in other areas shall be imposed for not wearing face cover as required.*
2. **Social distancing:** Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet (2 gaz ki doori) in public places.  
Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers.
3. Spitting in Public Places will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations by the local authorities.

**Additional directives for Work Places**

4. **Work from home (WfH):** As far as possible the practice of WfH should be followed.
5. **Staggering of work/business hours** will be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
6. **Screening & hygiene:** Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash or sanitizer will be made at all entry points and hand wash or sanitizer at exit points and common areas.
7. **Frequent sanitization** of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact, e.g., door handles, etc., will be ensured, including between shifts.
8. **Social distancing:** All persons in charge of work places will ensure adequate distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.

  
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