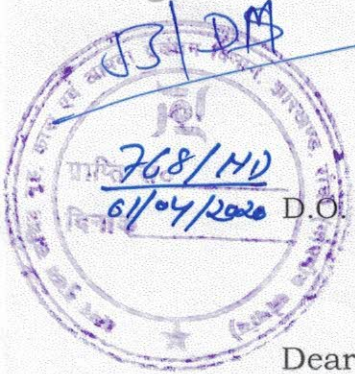


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D.O. No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A)

Chief Secretary
Jharkhand, Ranchi

31st March, 2020

Dear Chief Secretary,

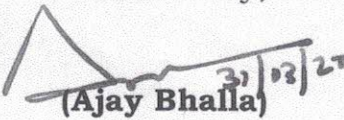
As you are aware, based on the orders issued by the National Disaster Management Authority under Section 6(2)(i) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, I have, as Chairperson of the National Executive Committee, issued an order of even number dated 24.3.2020, with directions to the Ministries/Departments of Government of India, States/Union Territories and State Governments to take effective measures (as per guidelines annexed to the order) to prevent the spread of COVID-19 in the country. This was followed by two addendum orders of even number dated 25.03.2020 and 27.03.2020 and consolidated guidelines on lockdown measures are available on MHA website : https://mha.gov.in/sites/default/files/PR_ConsolidatedGuidelinesofMHA_28032020.pdf

2. It has been noticed that some State Governments/UT Administrations are allowing exceptions beyond what has been allowed under lockdown measures by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), as contained in the Consolidated Guidelines noted above. This amounts to violation of the lockdown measures issued by MHA under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, and may defeat the overall objective of containing the spread of COVID-19 in the country.

3. All the State Governments/UT Administrations are requested to strictly implement the lockdown measures issued by MHA in exercise of the powers under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in letter and spirit.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Ajay Bhalla)

To
The Chief Secretaries of all States

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