



OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR & DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
JUDICIAL SECTION, COLLECTORATE, BHADRAK

No. 912 /Judl

Date: 08/10/2020

ORDER

Whereas, in pursuance of guideline issued by SRC & Addl Chief secretary to Govt (Disaster Management) vide order No. 5627/R & DM dated 01.10.2020, that social, political, sports, entertainment, cultural, religious functions and other large congregations will remain prohibited till 31.10.2020 for containment of COVID-19.

And whereas, State Govt. vide Order No.5315/R & DM (DM) dt.10.09.2020 of Chief Secretary, Odisha have allowed observance of Durga Puja with specific conditions.

And whereas, in pursuance of the above mentioned order, District Administration vide its order No. 11398/Emg dtd 10.09.2020 have allowed observance of Durga Puja with strict adherence to specified guidelines.

Now therefore, in public interest we hereby reiterate the following guidelines along with other restrictions for strict observance by public.

1. Puja shall be conducted in indoor-like condition only for observance of rituals without public participation, pomp and grandeur.
2. The respective Puja Committees shall take necessary permission from Sub - Collector to perform Durga Puja and other religious ceremonies.
3. Puja Pandals / Mandaps shall be covered on three sides. The 4th side shall also be covered in such a way not to allow any public view of the idols. There shall be no darshan by public/devotees.
4. The size of idol shall be less than 4 feet.
5. There shall be no use of public address system.
6. No permission shall be given for holding of opera / melody shows / any other entertainment programmes.
7. At any given point of time, there shall not be more than 7 (seven) persons including organizers (Kartas) and priests and support staff present in the

Puja Pandal/Mandap.

8. The President/Secretary of Puja Mandap shall ensure installation of CCTV inside and outside of Puja Mandap.
9. The persons present at Puja Pandal / Mandap shall follow all Covid protocols of social distancing, mask use, personal hygiene and sanitation issued by State Government in letter and spirit.
09. There shall be no immersion procession. The idols will be immersed in artificial pond(s) created by the local administration. Maximum 07(seven) persons are allowed to participate in the immersion with out any procession and celebration.

The above guidelines shall be strictly followed.

Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against in accordance with the provisions of Section-51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act,2005 , the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and Regulations issued here under besides legal action under Section 188 of the PC and other legal provisions as applicable.



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for information and necessary action.