



**OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE & COLLECTOR-CUM-CHAIRMAN  
DISTRICT DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY, BHADRAK**

No. **5808** /Emg.

Date: **15/07/2021**

Whereas, SARS COV-2 infection continues spreading in different areas in the State.

And whereas, Ministry of Home Affairs , Govt. of India (Gol) has issued guidelines vide Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29.04.2021, Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 27.05.2021 and Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29.06.2021 for effective control of COVID-19:

And whereas, In pursuance of the orders issued by the Govt. of Odisha, vide Order No.3665/R&DM(DM) dt.30.06.2021, social/ political/ sports/ entertainment/ academic/ cultural/ religious functions/ other gatherings shall remain prohibited and all religious places are closed for general public till 16<sup>th</sup> July, 2021:

And whereas , in the Odia month of Shravan, people carry water from some religious places, walk barefoot for several miles and put water in some Shiva Temples on each Monday of this month and these people generally referred to as, 'Bol Bom devotees' or "Kaudia" start their journey on Saturday/ Sunday/ Monday by collecting water from one religious place and walk till Monday morning and pour the collected water on a Shiva Linga in some other Temples on Monday:

Now therefore , in pursuance of Order No.3905/R&DM dt.13.07.21 of Chief Secretary, Odisha after reassessment of situation, in the interest of public health it is hereby ordered that:

1. All religious places/ places of worship shall be closed for public .
2. There shall be no congregation of devotees inside the premises of the religious places.
3. The Kaudias / Bol Bom devotees are not allowed to carry water from religious places or any other sources.
4. The Kaudias / Bol Bom devotees are not allowed to walk on public roads and pour water in Temples/ Lord Shiva Temples during the month of Shravan (July/August), 2021.
5. No other activities related to festivity entertainment shall be allowed by any Club/Society/Association etc. outside religious places.

The order shall come into force with immediate effect.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Bhadrak

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1. Superintendent of Police, Bhadrak
2. Sub-Collector, Bhadrak
3. All Tahasildars/ BDOs / Executive Officer, Bhadrak & Basudevpur Municipality and Dhamnagar & Chandabali NACs
4. DIO, NIC, Bhadrak/ DIPRO, Bhadrak

for information and necessary action