

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

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No. 11063 /Emg

Date: 24 /12/2021

ORDER

Whereas, the Government of Odisha vide Order No. 6773 Dt. 30.11.2021 has imposed restrictions on religious festivals, festivities and functions for containment of COVID-19 with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2021 till 5.00 AM of 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022;

And Whereas, within a matter of few days the new COVID variant B.1.1.529 or OMICRON has been the cause of concern for the State as it has been detected in Odisha. The Government of India has identified fourteen countries as 'at risk' and mandated home quarantine for all who arrive from these countries and are COVID negative in airport screening.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of order No.7458/R&DM(DM) dt.24.12.2021 of Chief Secretary Odisha with a view to protecting the health of the public and preventing spread of new variant of COVID-19, the Government of Odisha in exercise of powers conferred under section 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897, Disaster Management Act, 2005 and the Odisha COVID-19 Regulation, 2020 impose the following restrictions from **25th December, 2021 till 2<sup>nd</sup> January, 2022:**

- 1 Christmas celebration shall be limited to Churches with a maximum of SO(fifty) persons joining the mass by strictly following COVID protocols and in terms of specific conditions as imposed by District Magistrate/ Local Authorities while permitting such mass, if any.**
- 2 Zero Night celebration, Welcome to New Year in hotels, clubs, restaurants, parks, convention halls, Kalyan Mandaps, etc. is completely banned across the District.**
- 3 No celebration other than marriage (but not receptions and ancillary functions) is allowed across the District.**
- 4 Funeral rites is allowed with due COVID-19 protocols.**
- 5 There shall be strict vigilance on crowding and gathering during the above occasions.**
- 6 No community feast is also allowed.**
- 7 No social gathering, rallies, orchestras, dances and other cultural programmes shall be permitted.**

**Penal Provisions:**

Any person violating the above restrictions will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, and COVID-19 Regulations 2000, besides legal action under Sec. 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

*Sd/-*  
27/11/2021  
COLLECTOR AND DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,  
BHADRAK

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4. Sub-Collector and SDM, Bhadrak
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6. DLC, Bhadrak
7. RTO, Bhadrak
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for information and necessary action.