

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

No 25

Date 01/02/2022

**ORDER**

**Whereas**, all the religious places/institutions of Jajpur District were closed as per orders of Govt. of Odisha time to time and extended from time to time for entry of general public/devotees in view of threat of spread of COVID-19 till date.

**Whereas**, Govt. of Odisha vide order No.707/R&DM(DM) Dtd.31.01.2022 of SRC & ACS, Odisha have ordered to reopen more activities in areas outside Containment Zones up to 28.02.2022 wherein District Collectors have been authorised to accord permission for public worship in religious places/places of worship with appropriate restrictions to curb spread of COVID-19,

**And Whereas**, accordingly, assessment of ground level situation and due consultation with relevant stake holders have been made,


**Now, therefore**, it is hereby ordered that all the religious places/institutions of Jajpur District shall be opened to general public/devotees for "Darshan/Worship" with effect from **02.02.2022(Wednesday)** with strict adherence of following guidelines/exemptions/restrictions to be ensured and maintained by authorities of the concerned religious places/institutions.

1. The religious places/institutions shall remain open for general public/devotees as per the traditionally fixed hours of time maintained and observed in concerned religious places/institutions for Darshan/Worship.
2. It is mandatory for all general public/devotees to wear mask at all times inside and outside the premises of religious places/institutions.
3. General Public/devotees must sanitize their hands before entering into the religious places/institutions.
4. General Public/devotees shall maintain physical distance at all times as per COVID-19 guidelines issued by Govt. of Odisha.
5. General Public/devotees shall not touch statues/idols/monuments inside the religious places/institutions.
6. General Public/devotees having symptoms of Fever, Cough and Cold shall not be allowed to enter inside the religious places/institutions.
7. The "Anna Prasad Kendra" inside the premises of the religious places/institutions, if any, run by concerned authorities earlier, shall remain closed for the time being and any kind

- of community dining is strictly prohibited inside the premises of the religious places/institutions and periphery area.
8. Chewing of Tobacco /Betel(Paan)/Spitting inside premises of religious places/institutions is strictly prohibited.
  9. Parking of vehicles will be done at the designated places earmarked and managed by authorities of the religious places/institutions.
  10. Persons above 65 years of age, Persons with Co-Morbidities, Pregnant Women and Children below 10 years are advised not to visit the religious places/institutions in view of prevailing COVID-19 situation.
  11. The solemnisation of marriage and other social ceremonies wherever performed traditionally, are strictly prohibited inside the premises of the religious places/institutions and periphery area.
  12. All General Public/devotees shall enter into the religious places/institutions through the earmarked queue with barricade separately identified for "Male" & "Female" by maintaining physical distance as per COVID-19 guidelines from one another. There shall be separate entrance and exit doors with earmarking of circles on the floor in the queue for maintenance of physical distance.
  13. After "Darshan/Worship" , no general public/devotee shall be allowed to stay for longer period inside the premises of the religious places/institutions and shall have to vacate immediately to make the premises of the religious places/institutions free from commotion/congregation.
  14. It shall be the responsibility of the authorities of the religious places/institutions concerned to make all the arrangements as well as to ensure maintenance and observance of above guidelines/restrictions/ exemptions in letter and spirit for facilitating "Darshan/Worship" in disciplined manner in order to contain spread of COVID-19 virus.


Any violation shall attract penal actions and proceedings in accordance with the provisions U/s-51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act.,2005, the Epidemic Diseases Act,1897 and Section.188 of Indian Penal Code.

The above guidelines/exemption/restrictions will be reviewed periodically and revised guidelines/instructions will be issued from time to time to further facilitate "Darshan/Worship" by general public/devotees and also for management of COVID-19 pandemic.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur

Memo No. 26 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy to Sub-Collector & SDM, Jajpur for information and necessary action.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur


Memo No. 27 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy to all Tahasildars/BDOs/SDPO, Jajpur & Jajpur Road/Executive Officers, Jajpur Municipality and VN Municipality/all IICs of Jajpur District for information and necessary action. They are directed to make joint visit of the religious places/institutions under their jurisdictions and hold discussion with the concerned authorities of religious places/institutions by impressing upon the said authorities to make necessary arrangements for ensuring strict observance of the above guidelines/exemptions/restrictions in the religious places/institutions.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur


Memo No. 28 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy to DI & PRO, Jajpur /DIO, NIC, Jajpur for information and necessary action. They are requested to make wide publicity for information of general public and all concerned.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur

Memo No. 29 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy forwarded to the Superintendent of Police, Jajpur for information and necessary action.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur

Memo No. 30 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy submitted to the Commissioner of Endowments, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for kind information.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur

Memo No. 31 /Dt. 01/02/2022

Copy submitted to the SRC & Addl. Chief Secretary, R& DM Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for kind information.

  
Collector & District Magistrate,  
Jajpur