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IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE AT PUDUCHERRY

Puducherry, the 21st March 2020.

Present : Dr. ARUN, T., I.A.S.,
District Magistrate, Puducherry.

ORDER

(UNDER SECTION 144 OF Cr. P.C.)

Whereas, Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) is an infectious disease which typically spreads from one person to another *via* respiratory droplets or from touching contaminated surfaces and then touching ones face;

Whereas, the disease has already been declared as a Disaster under the provision of Disaster Management Act, 2005. It also attracts the provision of Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and rules framed thereunder;

Whereas, the infections are spreading and new cases are being reported in various parts of the country on daily basis;

Whereas, it is essential to enforce social distancing by imposing further restriction in order to contain the COVID-19;

Now Therefore, I, Dr. Arun, T., I.A.S., District Magistrate, Puducherry, in exercise of the power conferred upon me under section 144 of the Criminal Procedure Code, 1973, do hereby prohibit the Assembly of Five or more persons in public streets or thorough fares or in public places with effect from 9.00 p.m. on 22-03-2020 till 31-03-2020;

The emergent nature of case and circumstances do not permit serving of notice to the concerned in due time and hence, this order is passed *ex parte* under section 144 (2) of Criminal Procedure Code, 1973;

This order shall not apply to agencies/officials of the Government involved in the enforcement of Law and Order, duty relating to containment of Corona Virus and the maintenance of essential services;

At Puducherry, dated this 21st day of March 2020.

Dr. ARUN, T., I.A.S.,
District Magistrate.
