

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 10.5.2020 @ 12:00 PM AT SP AIZAWL CONFERENCE HALL TO REVIEW THE SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS IN CONNECTION WITH COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

List of Officers present appended.

The 4th Covid-19 (Law & Order) review meeting was held on 10.5.2020 (Sun) in which 4-DIGs, SP Aizawl, SP Traffic, CO 1MAP, 5IR, ASP and SDPOs of Aizawl, ASP/Dy.SP of Traffic, all Zonal Officers except Laldawngliana Sailo MPS, and all OCs of Aizawl City attended. The meeting was chaired by Pu L.H. Shanliana IPS, IGP (L&O).

At the outset, IGP(L&O) extended warm welcome to all officers in the meeting and also thanked them for their contribution in the on-going war against Covid-19 and its containment. He also once again informed the meeting that our deployment for containment of Covid-19 is likely to continue for further period of time and therefore, we need to consolidate our position for longer period of duty. Whereas, our performance is found to be appreciable, still there are rooms for improvement and closer monitoring of forces deployed on ground to increase effectiveness of our forces. We should remember that this is the humble service we can offer to the State and the people and we should rather be proud of giving services to the citizen who are in crisis.

1. **Condolence:** 1 (one) minute silence was observed as condolence to the untimely demise of two Police personnel viz. 1) C/- Eddie Saizamlia, 5th IR Bn and 2) C/- Laltanpuia, Security Unit in the preceding week.

2. **Introduction:** The chairman commented all the officers and Police personnel deployed in the fight against Covid-19 for performing their respective assigned duties with dedication and sincerity. The meeting was apprised that security deployment within Aizawl city has been revised and minimized so that the reserve force can be utilized for duty in other areas. Since, the number of Covid-19 positive cases has increased in Tripura, there is an urgent need for strengthening the force deployed for border sealing. In this regard, about 100 Police personnel shall be deployed for strengthening of border sealing force in Mamit and Kolasib Districts. Re-inforcement, as above is approved by DGP.

Total number of violators of Ordinance issued by the Government for containment and prevention of Covid-19 is 1314 and fine realized is Rs. 3,45,600 since the execution of this Ordinance from 4.5.2020.

3. **Report/comments from Senior Police Officers:** As invited by the Chairman, brief reports on status of force deployment and status of Quarantine Centers were given by DIG (NR) and DIG (ER).

SP Aizawl also gave a brief report of his visit to Manipur border areas with DC Aizawl. The scenario of the pandemic and lockdown in the State and neighbouring States and related issues were also discussed.

After thorough discussion of the important issues, the following decisions/instruction were made:-

1. **Enforcement of social distancing and wearing of face mask:** The general public is still not properly aware of the importance of social distancing protocols in market areas. Many shopkeepers and vegetable vendors are not wearing face mask. For effective implementation of the Ordinance, we need to be fully conversant so that it can be implemented with confidence. SP Aizawl and SP Traffic may please brief the officers and men assigned to do the job repeatedly to avoid unnecessary criticism.

Action: All District SsP/SP Traffic

2. **Public transport:** Public transport vehicles are allowed to carry passengers only 50% of the seating capacity as per the lockdown guidelines. This should be strictly enforced especially in city/town buses by checking them methodically at the bus stops. Passenger vehicles violating the guideline should be fined as per rules.

Action: All District SsP/SP Traffic

3. **Checking of private vehicles:** The Ordinance have made it mandatory for the drivers, handyman and passengers to wear face mask and in short, public transport vehicles i.e Taxi, Sumo and Buses.

Action: All District SsP/SP Traffic

4. **Police to be more alert:** There have been certain instances where violators undetected by the Police are detected and apprehended/fined by VLTF/LLTF. Such lapses may be construed as police laxity and inefficiency by the public which should be avoided at all cost. The police should be more alert and strict in enforcing the lockdown guidelines in the coming week.

Action: All District SsP

5. **Visit to Quarantine Centers:** District SP, Addl. SP, SDPO and Zonal Officers including Gazetted Officers in the executive force having jurisdiction, should visit Quarantine Centers within their respective area at least once in a day to ensure alertness of the force as well as security of person quarantined. Policemen on duty in such places should be repeatedly briefed to prevent all forms of violation of quarantine rules.

Action: All District SsP

6. **Issues related to lockdown guidelines:** The Covid-19 Ordinance and the guidelines to be followed during the lockdown is found to be ambiguous in certain aspects especially regarding movement of vehicles, both commercial and private. SP Traffic shall prepare a note on the practical problem/inconveniences faced during enforcement of the guidelines on vehicle movement and submit to IGP (L&O).
Action: SP Traffic

7. **Checking of Drivers and Handyman of Commercial Vehicles:** The drivers and handymen of commercial vehicles transporting goods and commodities should be carefully checked and it should be ensured that they are present during unloading of the goods. They should be prevented from absconding and remaining in Mizoram.
Action: All District SsP

8. **Police courtesy during enforcement of lockdown:** Due courtesy should be shown to the public at all times during enforcement of the lockdown. Police should never resort to discourteous behaviour or excessiveness. This should be conveyed to the man on ground repeatedly.
Action: All District SsP/SP Traffic

9. **Aizawl City deployment:** SP Aizawl and SP Traffic are requested to kindly submit their upto-date deployment in Aizawl City with summary on or before 14.5.2020.
Action: SP Aizawl/SP Traffic

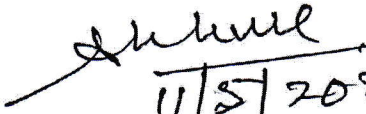
10. **Stranded travellers:** Mizos stranded travellers in Delhi and other places are likely to return to Mizoram by special train during this week or 3rd week of May, 2020. All District SsP are requested to be in ready position to ensure security of those people under quarantined. They are requested to liaise with respective DC's concerned to get information about the approximate numbers of person to return to the District concerned so that necessary arrangement can be made or assess well in time.
Action: All District SsP

11. **Absentees:** Pu C. Lalzahngoa MPS, CO 3rd Bn. MAP and Pu Laldawngliana Sailo MPS, Asst. CO, 1st Bn. MAP were absent. Pu C. Lalzahngoa MPS excused himself due to dead of neighbor whereas no excuse made by Pu Laldawngliana Sailo MPS. Pu Laldawngliana Sailo MPS, Asst. CO, 1st Bn. MAP to submit his explanation to the undersigned of the reason for his absence.
Action: CO 1MAP/3MAP

It is hereby reiterated that senior officer with casual approach to the Covid-19 duty will be taken into task in view of the seriousness of the crisis. Therefore, all officers are requested to take note that we should all take the Covid-19 duty seriously in the interest of the public service.

Next review meeting will be held on 17.5.2020 at 1200 hrs at the same place i.e SP Aizawl Conference Hall. DIG(NR)/(ER)/CID/Armed, SP Aizawl, SP Traffic, CO 1MAP, 3MAP, 5IR, 2-ASP and 2-SDPO Aizawl, ASP/Dy.SP Traffic, OC Traffic, 4- OC's of Aizawl City and all Zonal Officers of Covid-19 duty may please make it convenient to attend.

SP Security and SP CID(SB) shall be invited to attend the next review meeting. DIG(NR) is requested to convey to all concerned.

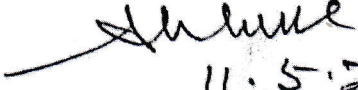

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