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No.CB/PHQ/COVID-19/'C'/2020/l}-GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM POLICE HEADQUARTERS: AIZAWL

Dated Aizawl, the

Apr., 2020.

To,

The Superintendents of Police -

CID (Crime)/CID (SB)/Aizawl/Lunglei/Siaha/Lawngtlai/Champhai/Kolasib/Serchhip/Mamit/Hnahthial/Khawzawl/Saitual.

Subj:

Initiation of necessary action on instructions received from MHA in connection with COVID-19 issues - regd.

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of letter vide No.11034/01/2020-IS-IV dt.04.04.2020 with its enclosure received from Dy. Secretary, Govt. of India, MHA, New Delhi on the subject cited above for information and necessary action.

Enclo: As above.

Yours faithfully,

(ZOSANGLIANA) AIG(Hqrs.), for Director General of Police, Mizoram, Aizawl.

No.CB/PHQ/COVID-19/°C'/2020/

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DIG - NR/SR/CID/ER.

:Dated Aizawl, the

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(ZOSANGLIANA) MPS,

Asst. Inspector General of Police (Hqrs.),

Mizoram, Aizawl. Tel No: 0389-2334355.

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C/Room, SIB Aizawi
Date 04/01/25

IMMEDIATE THROUGH IB FAX

No. 11034/01/2020-IS-IV Ministry of Home Affairs Internal Security-I Division Control Room

North Block, New Delhi Dated: 4th April, 2020.

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To

- 1. Chief Secretaries/ Advisors to Administrators of all States/ UTs
- 2. Directors General of Police of all States/ UTs
- 3. Commissioner of Police, Delhi

Madam/Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's advisories issued in the context of COVID-19, it is stated that polarizing of public opinion on religious lines is being apprehended in the context of recent instances of clashes between police and COVID-19 infected persons in Bihar and Tamil Nadu and, other instances of ill treatment of health workers by a particular community and non-cooperation with doctors elsewhere. This has further been allegedly aggravated by various media projections.

- 2. A sizeable section of non-Muslims is getting a perception that a particular community is not taking pandemic very seriously and also not complying with the Government orders of lockdown. There are posts on social media appealing to refrain from purchasing fruits/ vegetables/ grocery items from particular community sellers. In North Eastern States also strong resentment is noticed against a particular community.
- 3. Certain community leaders have appealed to the community to follow the lockdown norms. However, strong resentment also prevails amongst certain sections of the community that they are being held responsible for spread of COVID-19.
- 4. Such targeting of a particular community as well as its religious organizations, if allowed to perpetuate, would lead to communal polarization,

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which may result in a communal situation. Strict action may be taken against those indulging in fake/provocative posts on Social Media. Local community leaders may be called upon to motivate people for better compliance of the lockdown norms and also to strengthen congenial feelings between the communities. Also motivating Tabligh Jamaat returnees to voluntarily come forward for quarantining will help clear the shroud of distrust and allegations to a large extent. In this regard, kindly refer to this Ministry's letter no. 11034/01/2020-MHA C/R dated 4th April, 2020 (copy enclosed).

- 5. Further, State Governments and Union Territory administrations are advised to augment the safety and security cover of healthcare professionals and frontline workers including nurses who have expressed their concerns and apprehension in this regard, especially in view of recent law and order incidents.
- 6. All State Governments and Union Territory Administrations are advised to take necessary precautionary measures to maintain law and order, peace and public tranquility.

Encl: As above

Yours faithfully,

(Srinivasu K.)

Deputy Secretary to Government of India

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