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**ORDER**

Sub: Regarding use of face masks in certain cases.

- Ref: 1) Notification No.HFW 54 CGM 2020 Bengaluru, Dated 11.03.2020 issued by the Deputy Secretary-2 to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department.
- 2) Letter No.COMM/PSR/177/2020-21 dated 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020 addressed to Shri Jawaid Akhtar, Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Bengaluru requesting for clarifications regarding use of Masks in public places.
- 3) Proceedings of the COVID-19 – 31<sup>st</sup> Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting held on Saturday, 29<sup>th</sup> August 2020 at 12.00 noon, DHFWS and Via Zoom.
- 4) Order No.RD 158 TNR 2020 Bengaluru, dated 01.10.2020 issued by the Chief Secretary to Government and Chairman, State Executive Committee, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
- 5) Order No.RD 158 TNR 2020 Bengaluru, dated 07.10.2020 issued by the Chief Secretary to Government and Chairman, State Executive Committee, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.
- 6) This office Order No. COMM/PSR/243/2020-21 dated 27<sup>th</sup> October 2020 issued by the Commissioner, Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike.
- 7) Letter No.COMM/PSR/245/2020-21 dated 29<sup>th</sup> October 2020 addressed to Shri Jawaid Akhtar, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Bengaluru seeking clarification regarding use of face Masks in certain cases.
- 8) Proceedings of the COVID-19 – 46<sup>th</sup> Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting held on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 at 11.30 a.m. Via Zoom.

With reference to the above, the Technical Advisory Committee, Government of Karnataka in its meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020 has dwelt in detail the reference made by the Commissioner, BBMP seeking clarification regarding use of face masks in certain cases and has given following clarifications / conclusions:

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In the meeting it was deliberated at length and finally it was concluded that the reply to the BBMP Commissioner shall be as follows:

**Question 1: Whether a Person driving alone in a four-wheeler with the window glasses closed should wear a mask?**

**Answer: NO**

**Question 2: Whether a single rider in a two-wheeler without a pillion rider should wear a Mask while driving?**

**Answer: YES**

Hence, based on the conclusion of the Technical Advisory Committee, it is hereby ordered that:

Sl. No.	Questions	Answers
1)	Whether a person driving alone in a four- wheeler with the window glasses closed should wear a mask?	NO
2)	Whether a single rider in a two – wheeler without a pillion rider should wear a mask while driving?	YES

(N. MANJUNATHA PRASAD)  
COMMISSIONER, BBMP

2/11/2020

**Copy for information and necessary action to:**

- 1) The Police Commissioner, Bengaluru City, Infantry Road, Bengaluru
- 2) Shri Naveen Raj Singh, IAS, Regional Commissioner, Bengaluru and Chairperson, Task Force on Masks and Social Distancing Enforcement in BBMP area and BBMP Head Office Committee
- 3) Shri D. Randeep, Special Commissioner (Solid Waste Management), BBMP, Bengaluru
- 4) Shri Sarfaraz Khan, Joint Commissioner (Solid Waste Management), BBMP, Bengaluru

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