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GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM
DISASTER MANAGEMENT & REHABILITATION DEPARTMENT

Aizawl, the 8th of December, 2020

To,

All Deputy Commissioners &
Chairpersons, District Disaster Management Authority,
Mizoram.

Subj.: Imposition of lockdown and mandatory quarantine at the district/local level.

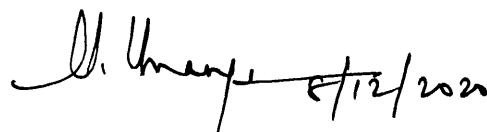
Sir/Madam,

With reference to the subject given above, I am directed to draw your kind attention to point no.9 of the State Executive Meeting decision dated 26.11.2020 and Section III(5) & Section IV(2) of the consequential Order dated 27.11.2020 whereby imposition of any sort of lockdown requires prior approval, and mandatory quarantining of persons having intra-state movement is prohibited.

In this connection, in spite of clear Orders, as aforementioned, it came to the knowledge of the State Executive Committee that some DDMA's have imposed partial lockdown and mandatory quarantine of person having inter-district movement, and some VTLF's have called for mandatory quarantine of persons of their localities having intra-state/inter-district movement. It is also learnt that VLTF's of some Districts are demanding 'COVID-19 free certificate' from visitors. This is observed as disregard of the order issued by the Chairman, SEC, under the Disaster Management Act, 2005, although the Epidemic Diseases (COVID-19) Regulation, 2020 has empowered the local authority-VLTF/LLTF, given the fact that orders of higher authority is to assume precedence over the orders of subordinate authorities.

In view of the circumstances given above, I am directed to request you to refrain from imposing any sort of lockdown without prior approval of the State Executive Committee, and to strictly implement the aforesaid order dated 27.11.2020. The abuse of powers by local level authorities should also be properly checked so that there is no hardship for the general public.

Yours faithfully,



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