



**GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR
SECRETARIAT : HOME DEPARTMENT**

ORDERS

Imphal, the 16th October, 2023

No.H-3607/4/2022-HD-HD(Pt) : Whereas, Director General of Police, Manipur vide letter No.IC/11(163)/2008-PHQ(Pt)/ dated 16-10-2023 reported that there are still reports of incidents of violence like confrontation of the public with security forces, trying to mob elected member's residences, civil protests in front of police stations etc.

2. And whereas, there is apprehension that some **anti-social elements** might use social media extensively for transmission of images, hate speech and hate video messages inciting the passions of the public which might have **serious repercussions for the law and order** situation in the State of Manipur;

3. And whereas, there is an imminent danger of loss of life and /or damage to public/private property, and wide spread disturbances to public tranquillity and communal harmony, as a result of inflammatory material and false rumours, which might be transmitted/circulated to the public through social media/ messaging services on mobile services, SMS services and dongle services;

4. And whereas, to thwart the design and activities of anti-national and anti-social elements and to maintain peace and communal harmony and to prevent any loss of life or danger to public/private property, it has become necessary to take adequate measures to maintain law and order in public interest, by stopping the spread of disinformation and false rumours, **through various social media platform such as Whatsapp, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter etc. on various electronic equipments like tablet, computer, mobile phone etc.** and sending bulk SMS, for facilitating and/or mobilization of mobs of agitators and demonstrators, which can cause loss of life and/or damage to public/private property by indulging in arson/vandalism and other types of violent activities;

5. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 2 of Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017, having satisfied that the above situation is likely to cause serious disturbances to the peaceful co-existence and maintenance of public order, do hereby order suspension/curbing of **mobile internet/data services, internet/data services through VPN** in the territorial jurisdiction of the State of Manipur for another **5(five) days with immediate effect** from the time this suspension order becomes operational **till 07:45 P.M. of 21-10-2023;**

6. The order is being passed ex-parte in view of the emergent situation. It shall be published for the information of public through press and electronic media;

7. Any person found guilty for violation of aforesaid orders will be liable for legal action.

By orders & in the name
of the Governor,

(T. Ranjit Singh)
Commissioner (Home),
Government of Manipur

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Government of Manipur

Memo No. H-3607/4/2022-HD-HD

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Copy to:-

1. Chairman, State Review Committee.
2. Director General of Police, Manipur.
-With request for communicating to the DDG, DoT, DDG/ADG Term Cell and Nodal Officers of Mobile Service provider in the State of Manipur by an Officer not below the rank of Superintendent of Police as laid down in Rule 3 of the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017.
3. Mr, Vishwa Mohan, DDG/ADG Term Cell, Department of Telecommunication.
4. Secretary (IT), Government of Manipur.
5. Director (IT), Manipur.
6. Director, IPR, Manipur.
- with request for publication in the electronic and print media.

To following to ensure immediate compliance :

1. The Nodal Officer of Mobile Service Provider-
Airtel NE Shillong/ Vodafone Idea NE Shillong/ JIO NE Shillong/
BSNL/Cellone NE Imphal/ WLL/CDMA (BSNL), Imphal
(Through DGP, Manipur.)
2. All Internet Service providers in Manipur.

Commissioner (Home)
Government of Manipur