



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

**Abstract**

Disaster Management Department– Surge in COVID 19 cases –  
Containment - Additional restrictions on staff who shall attend office –  
Orders issued.

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**DISASTER MANAGEMENT (A) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Rt)No.397/2021/DMD** Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 03/05/2021

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Read:- GO(Rt)No.391/2021/DMD dated 30.04.2021.

**ORDER**

In view of the unabated surge in COVID 19 cases and the high test positivity rate across the State leading to the faster spread of disease in the community, there is an emergent need to curtail activities and movement to the bare minimum in offices and establishments (public and private).

2) In this situation, invoking the provisions under section 38 read with section 39 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, it is ordered that all Central Government, State Government (including PSUs) and Private offices shall work only with a maximum of 25% staff strength. The rest of the Government/Private staff shall work from home or be utilised by respective District Collectors for Covid duty ,as the case may be.

3) However the following Departments /Agencies shall be fully functional and the maximum limit of 25 percent staff strength shall not apply to them :

Revenue & Disaster Management, LSGD, Police, Health and Health Care Institutions including laboratories and pharmacies, Labour, Factories and Boilers, Transport, Food & Civil Supplies, Government Press, Consumerfed, MILMA, KEPCO, Mathsyafed, etc. dealing with items of food, KWA, KSEBL, IT and ITeS services, Telecom Service Providers, Government Press, Postal Services, Internet Service Providers and Infrastructure Providers, All private Transport Agencies (passenger and goods) ,Courier Services and all those connected with the production, supply and distribution of medical items needed for health and COVID care (including Medical Oxygen).

4) Eateries specified in reference cited above includes bakeries.

5)Banks may continue to function with restrictions as in reference cited above.

5) The order shall take effect from 04.05.2021 and shall be in force until further orders.

(By order of the Governor)  
**DR. A JAYATHILAK IAS**  
**PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**

All Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/Secretaries  
All Heads of Departments including State Police Chief  
The Commissioner, Land Revenue,Thiruvananthapuram  
The Commissioner, Disaster Management,Thiruvananthapuram  
All District Collectors  
All District Police Chiefs  
The Mission Director,National Health Mission,Kerala  
The Member Secretary, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority  
Home Department  
Health Department  
Local Self Government Department  
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