

**Rev (DMC) (C) 20-2/2020-COVID-19**  
**Government of Himachal Pradesh**  
**Revenue Department-Disaster Management Cell**

Shimla-171002  
Date: 8<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

**ORDER**

Taking note of the present situation of COVID-19 active cases and positivity rate in the State, the undersigned in the capacity of the Chairman (SEC) in exercise of the powers conferred under section 22(2)(h) and section 24 of the Disaster Management Act 2005, hereby directs that:

**Education Department is allowed to open the Schools from Class 8<sup>th</sup> onwards w.e.f. 11.10.2021 on all working days subject to SOPs issued by Education Department adhering to the safety guidelines and appropriate behaviour as per COVID-19 protocols.**

**Penal Provisions:**

Any person violating these measures and not following COVID appropriate behavior will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provision of Section 51-60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides entailing legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

**This order will come into effect immediately in all districts and shall remain in force till further order. All other restrictions and relaxations shall remain as per previous orders.**

**Approved by**  
**(Ram Subhag Singh)**  
**Chief Secretary cum Chairman, SEC**  
**Himachal Pradesh.**

**To**

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the GoHP.
2. All the Head of Departments, Himachal Pradesh.
3. All the Divisional Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh.
4. All the Deputy Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh.
5. The Director I&PR for wider dissemination.

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1. The Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India
2. All the Member of HPSDMA
3. All the Member of the HP State Executive Committee.
4. The Principal PS-cum-Special Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister-cum-Chairperson HPSDMA.

  
**Principal Secretary (Revenue) to the**  
**Government of Himachal Pradesh**