

GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR
Department of Disaster Management, Relief Rehabilitation & Reconstruction
(State Executive Committee)
Civil Secretariat, Jammu.


Subject: SOP for Cinema Halls and Theatres on preventive measures to contain spread of COVID-19.

Government Order No.05-JK (DMRRR) of 2021
Dated: 02.02.2021

- 1) Whereas, the Government of India vide its Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 27-01-2021, has issued revised guidelines on COVID Containment measures which are in effect till 28-02-2021; and
- 2) Whereas, the State Executive Committee, Government of J&K, vide its recent Order bearing No.04-JK (DMRRR) of 2021 dated 31.01.2021, has, among other activities, permitted the opening of Cinemas/Theatres/Multiplexes, **outside the Containment zones**, in the UT of Jammu and Kashmir, at full capacity, w.e.f., 01.02.2021, till further orders.
- 3) Whereas, Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, GoI, vide its communication bearing No.M-35020-US (FILMS) dated 31-01-2021 has issued a revised SOP, to be followed in Cinema Halls and Theatres, on preventive measures to contain spread of COVID-19; and
- 4) Now therefore, the State Executive Committee, vide powers vested in it under Section 24 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, further reiterates the following important guidelines to be followed by all Licensed Cinemas/Theatres/Multiplexes operating within the Union Territory of J&K: -
 - a) **100% seating capacity inside cinemas, theatres and multiplexes is allowed to be utilized.**
 - b) **The management will ensure staggered, row-wise exit of audience in order to avoid crowding.**
 - c) **Sufficient time interval between successive screenings will be ensured to allow staggered exit.**
 - d) **Longer intermissions may be done to allow movement of people by maintaining distance.**



- e) Time of commencement, intermission and finish time of two different shows should not overlap.
 - f) 6-feet distance to be maintained outside auditoriums, common area and waiting areas.
 - g) Availability of hand sanitizers, preferably in touch-free mode and thermal scanning at entry points should be ensured.
 - h) Digital / no-contact transactions should be preferred.
 - i) Contact numbers of audience should be noted during the booking of tickets to facilitate contact tracing, if required later.
 - j) Floor markers should be deployed for better queue management.
 - k) Frequent sanitization of premises should be ensured and compulsorily done after each screening.
 - l) Temperature setting of air-conditioning in the range of 24-30 degrees Celsius should be ensured.
- 5) Any deviation from this order shall attract penal action under the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

 2.2.21
Member- Secretary
State Executive Committee
Dated: 02.02.2021

No: DMRRR/ER/69/2020

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