

## **GUIDELINES FOR ORGANISING MEETINGS\_RALLIES\_PROCESSIONS UNDER BIDHANNAGAR POLICE COMMISSIONERATE**

**1.** No Rally/Procession/March towards Karunamoyee More and its adjacent places is allowed as the area consists of many important Govt. Offices and restrictions under section 163 of BNSS remain promulgated round the year at and around the area as above mentioned.

**2.** Public Meetings can be allowed with a limited number of participants at some pre-identified locations. For the said purpose visits followed by fixing up of the venue can be done after submission of prayer to hold such meetings.

If the organisers want to submit deputation before any authority at any of the Government Offices, then a separate letter for the same purpose should be given and if allowed by the concerned authority of the Government Offices then 5-10 persons may go to such office under proper police escort and submit deputation and to ensure that after such deputation, all gathered persons will be dispersed peacefully.

**3.** Application addressed to Joint Commissioner of Police, Head Quarter, Bidhannagar Police Commissionerate for grant of permission for all meetings must be submitted at least 15 days in advance, excluding the day of the event, at the Commissionerate Head Quarter, Salt Lake Stadium Gate No.3, Sector-III, Kolkata-700106 or through electronic mail. Applications submitted less than 15 days before the event may also be considered depending on the availability of the space and subject to the condition that sufficient time is available for necessary formalities.

**4.** Permission will be granted on 'first-come-first-serve' basis and will be subject to assessment by Special Branch, Traffic Police and concerned local police authority.

**5.** Joint Commissioner of Police, Head Quarter shall examine the request and take a decision as to whether the proposed demonstration, dharna, public meeting etc. shall be allowed or not, keeping in view its likely effect viz. whether it would cause any obstruction to traffic or danger to human safety or disturbance to public tranquillity etc. The request will be considered and then allowed or rejected keeping in view the aforesaid social considerations.

**6.** Joint Commissioner of Police, Head Quarter will have the authority to revoke the permission in case of unforeseen and sudden developments such as VIP security requirements or any other intelligence input, and the reasons for revocation shall be duly recorded and conveyed to the organizer(s).

**7.** The organisers shall clearly mention in the prayer for permission regarding the number and type of vehicles to be used as conveyance for the participants. Parking of vehicles will be allowed in consultation with Traffic Police.

**8.** No loudspeaker or public address system shall be used at the venue without specific permission from the Joint Commissioner of Police, Head Quarter. Loudspeakers shall be used only between 10.00 AM to 8.00 PM as per the undertaking before the competent authority, the Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Rules, 2000 framed under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 and in compliance of the Hon'ble Supreme Court orders.

**9.** The protesters shall not be allowed to pitch tents or temporary structures without prior permission at the venue even for a temporary period.

**10.** Any protest/meeting shall be organised only between 10.00 AM to 8.00 PM.

**11.** The participants in the meetings shall not carry lathis, firearms, spears, swords or any other articles which can be used as a weapon of offence. The participants may carry flags and banners with sticks but

purely for display purposes. It should, however, be ensured by the organiser(s) that the dimension of flags or banners will not be greater than 9 ft. x 6 ft. and no stick used in the banners or flags shall be more than 2 ft. in length.

**12.** No participant shall make any provocative speech or use any language likely to inflame passions of the crowd or incite them or promote enmity between different groups on ground of religion, race, place or birth, residence language etc., or act in any manner which is prejudicial to the maintenance of harmony between such groups or may disturb public tranquillity.

**13.** No participant shall act in any manner which may result in damage to public property, assault on Government Servant, arson, etc.

**14.** No burning of any documents, books and effigy, cooking, littering, throwing of placards, banners and plastic waste be permitted as it will be in violation of the judgement of the Hon'ble NGT and the Hon'ble Apex Court.

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### **Responsibilities of the Organisers:**

The organiser(s) shall:

- Obtain "No Objection Certificate" for meeting venue from appropriate authorities.
- Provide adequate arrangements for drinking water and First Aid/Medical Aid of the participants.
- Provide and maintain adequate toilet facilities at site of protest and place of parking.
- Undertake cleaning and sanitising work of identified area before and after the protest.
- Abide by all the guidelines, directions, orders and the extant laws, work in coordination with the public authority and co-operate with the authorities under all circumstances.
- Submit an undertaking that he or she and his or her supporters shall follow all the Do's & Don'ts mentioned in this Standing Order in letter and spirit, failing which he or she along with other participants may be prosecuted under the law.
- The organiser should deploy a sufficient number of volunteers to render necessary assistance to the police personnel on duty. The organiser shall furnish full details of volunteers including photographs before the local Police Station to get Identity Card from local Police Station.
- The organiser shall submit a list of all the participants attending such programmes.
- The organisers shall submit a separate list of at least 20 participants who can be co-ordinator and administrative stakeholders can communicate with them as and when required to ensure peaceful progression as well as completion of the programme.

Further terms and conditions can be imposed by the competent authority and the same should be strictly complied by the organiser.