

POLICE COMMISSIONERATE BHUBANESWAR-CUTTACK BHUBANESWAR

COMMISSIONER'S ORDER No.01 of 2018.

Sub: Order prohibiting Marriage Procession on the four main roads of Bhubaneswar City to ensure smooth flow of traffic in the interest of general public etc.

It is reported by the Deputy Commissioner of Police (Traffic), Commissionerate Police, Bhubaneswar-Cuttack at Bhubaneswar that road congestion is very often experienced on different roads of Bhubaneswar City due to marriage processions, as a result; difficulties are being faced by the general public in their smooth commutation and they fail to reach their destination such as Railway Station, Bus Stand, Airport and hospitals etc. in time.

It is also reported that at times, essential service like Ambulance and Fire Service face difficulty in reaching their destination due to obstruction caused by marriage procession at the main roads of Bhubaneswar city. In his report, he has requested that permission may not be granted for marriage processions on the following public roads to ensure smooth flow of traffic including essential service such as Ambulance and fire brigade etc. in the interest of general public;

- (i) New Airport Crossing to Acharya Vihar via AG Crossing.
- (ii) Raj Bhawan Chhak to KIIT Chhak.
- (iii) Kalpana Square to Raj Bhawan Chhak via AG Crossing.
- (iv) Vani Vihar Crossing to Sishu Bhawan Chhak.
- (v) Cuttack Road-Rasulgarh Crossing to Rabi Talkies Chhak.

AND

Whereas the Hon'ble Orissa High Court in their order dt.24.06.2010 passed in OJC No.6721 of 1999 have expressed grave concern in allowing the marriage procession to pass through the main roads of the city obstructing the entire road;

The matter was examined at length on the point of ground realities on the congestion of public thoroughfare on account of marriage processions obstructing the main roads of Bhubaneswar city and the powers of Commissioner of Police Bhubaneswar and Cuttack, Bhubaneswar to prevent obstructions, to regulate and control disruption to traffic etc.

AND

Whereas section 29 of the Urban Police Act, 2003 provides the following:

"The Commissioner, and subject to his orders, every police officer not below the rank of an Inspector may, as occasion may demand, but not so as to contravene any regulation made under this Act or any law, rule or byelow referred to in sub-section (4) of Section 129, give all such orders, either orally or in writing, as may be necessary to,—

- (a) xxxxxxxxxx
- (b) specify the routes by which and the times at which any such processions may pass or shall not pass;

- (c) prevent obstructions, -
 - (i) on the occasions of all processions and assemblies,
 - (ii) in the neighbourhood of all places of worship during the time of worship, and
 - (iii) in all cases when any street or public place or place of public resort may be thronged or likely to be obstructed;
- (d) xxxxxxxxxxx
- (e) xxxxxxxxxxx
- (f) xxxxxxxxxxx

make reasonable orders consequential to, and in furtherance of, any orders made under this section."

AND

Whereas in addition to the aforesaid power, the Commissioner of Police Bhubaneswar and Cuttack, Bhubaneswar in exercise of the powers conferred by section 28 of the Urban Police Act, 2003(Orissa Act 8 of 2007) and with the previous sanction of the Government, has framed the regulations called "The Bhubaneswar-Cuttack Police Commissionerate (Traffic & Public Order) Regulations, 2008 published in the Odisha Gazette No.2258/dt.12.12.2008 of the Government of Orissa to regulate the traffic and matters incidental thereto;

AND

Whereas by virtue of Regulation 59(1) of the aforesaid Regulations, 2008, it is envisaged as follows:

"No person shall constitute any assembly or procession on or along any street or no procession shall pass on any street except in the routes permitted by the Commissioner so as to prevent annoyance, risk, danger or damage to the residents or people in the vicinity or disruption to traffic."

By virtue of powers conferred on the undersigned under section-28 and section 29 of Orissa Urban Police Act, 2003 (Orissa Act 8 of 2007) read with Regulation-59 of Bhubaneswar-Cuttack Police Commissionerate (Traffic & Public Order) Regulations, 2008, it is now considered expedient in the public interest that there is need to prevent obstructions to free flow of traffic on the main roads of Bhubaneswar City and keeping, that matter in mind, the undersigned hereby issues this order specifying the following routes by which marriage processions shall not pass in day and night time until further orders.

<u>Order</u>

Marriage processions shall not pass through the following routes of Bhubaneswar City in day time and night time in the public interest until further orders:

- (i) New Airport Crossing to Acharya Vihar via AG Crossing.
- (ii) Raj Bhawan Chhak to KIIT Chhak.
- (iii) Kalpana Square to Raj Bhawan Chhak via AG Crossing.
- (iv) Vani Vihar Crossing to Sishu Bhawan Chhak.
- (v) Cuttack Road-Rasulgarh Crossing to Rabi Talkies Chhak.

This order shall come into force with effect from 1st day of February, 2018.

(Y.B. Khurania)

Commissioner of Police

Bhubaneswar-Cuttack

Memo No. 55 /C.P. (Traffic)

Date: 02/01/2018

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- 2. Copy to all Addl. DCsP of Bhubaneswar UPD for information and necessary action please.
- 3. Copy to all Zonal ACcP of Bhubaneswar UPD for information and necessary action please.
- 4. Copy to all IsIC of Bhubaneswar UPD for information and strict implementation please.
- 5. Copy to P.R.O, Police Commissionerate of Bhubaneswar and Cuttack with a request to circulate the above order among all print and electronic media for the information of general public.
- 6. Copy to Incharge, Programming Cell, Commissionerate Hdqrs. for uploading the order in the Police Commissionerate website bhubaneswarcuttackpolice.gov.in for the information of general public.

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Commissioner of Police Bhubaneswar-Cuttack