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**Subject:- Minutes of the meeting held under the Chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Kashmir on 07/09/2017 in connection with arrangements for commemoration of Muharram-ul-Harram, 2017.**

A meeting under the chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Kashmir was convened on 07/09/2017 to finalize the arrangements to be made by various departments in view of ensuing Holy month of Muharram-ul-Harram likely to start from 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2017. All Deputy Commissioners (except Srinagar) attended the meeting through video conference.

List of participants is enclosed as **Annexure-A**.

At the outset, the Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir welcomed all the participants and the Chair appreciated the efforts put in by the officers of different departments for making elaborate arrangements during last year for the Holy month.

Department wise arrangements to be made were discussed and preparedness by different departments was assessed. They were also requested to focus on such points which are of important nature and need immediate attention of the administration. It was impressed upon all the officers of Civil / Police to maintain seamless synergy and jointmanship for elaborate arrangements for Muharram-ul-Harram, 2017. The representatives of all Shia Organizations have unanimously requested the Chair for lifting ban on Muharram from Guru Bazar to Dalgate on 8<sup>th</sup> of Muharram and Abi Guzar to Zadibal on 10<sup>th</sup> of Muharram.

After threadbare discussions with all the concerned Heads of Department / Deputy Commissioners, the following decisions were taken:-

- 1) Police Department shall deploy sufficient number of police personnel in all Shia dominated areas especially with Muharram processions as per past practice. Besides, vigilant security arrangements should also be made at sensitive places to thwart any untoward incident during processions.

(Action by: IGP Kmr, All DDC's / SSP's)

- 2) University of Kashmir/ J&K BOSE/ other examination governing bodies may not fix any examination on 11<sup>th</sup> Muharram, 1439.

**(Action by: VC Kashmir University, Chairman J&K BOSE & others)**

- 3) All District Development Commissioners shall conduct Muharram arrangement meeting with all prominent Shia Organization in their Districts well before commencement of Holy month of Muharram for making fool proof arrangements.

**(Action by: All DDC's)**

- 4) Director SKIMS / Director Health Services Kmr / Principal GMC Srinagar should also make available van type ambulances instead of big ambulances as its mobility becomes easy & possible to negotiate and pass. Blood donation camps be organized in Shia dominated areas of all Districts in co-ordination with various Shia Organization.

**(Action by: Director SKIMS/Dir. Health Services Kmr / HOD SPM GMC Sgr / Hony. Sec. J&K Red Cross Sgr)**

- 5) All Deputy Commissioners shall formulate the Action Plan for Muharram arrangements in consultation with Shia Organization /line departments within five (05) days and submit a copy to all concerned and all HoD's will submit a copy of said plan to the Deputy Commissioners of the concerned District as well.

**(Action by: All DDC's / All HoD's)**

- 6) All SSPs shall make fool proof security arrangement during Muharram procession in the concerned areas of respective District in order to avoid any untoward incidents during processions.

**(Action by: All SSP's.)**

- 7) Firewood be provided to Shia dominated areas well before commencement of Holy month of Muharram-ul-Harram.

**(Action by: All DDC's / Chief Conservator of Forests Kmr / CGM SFC Kashmir)**

- 8) Joint Control Rooms having the representatives of all line Departments be established during Muharram at all the District HQs for redressal of grievances of the people during Muharram. Besides facility of control room at PCR by dialing 100 can also be availed. They will publish the District Control Nos. through print media to facilitate general public.

**(Action by: All DDC's / SSP PCR)**



- 9) Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affair Department shall ensure availability of essential commodities i.e. rice, atta, sugar, Kerosene oil, LPG Cylinders especially in Shia dominated areas during Muharram in Kashmir Division as per past practice. Director Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affair Department shall make the early stock in the nearest godown in order to avoid any difficulty

**(Action by: Director Food CS & CA Deptt. / All DDC's)**

- 10) Health Department shall make all necessary arrangements with regard to medicare facilities round the clock in respective areas. The Department will also keep adequate Para-Medical Staff available with medical teams deployed during Muharram. HoD SPM C/o Govt. Medical College, Srinagar / Regional Red Cross Committee as well as Civil Defence shall also ensure Medicare facilities in the Shia dominated areas, especially during Muharram processions. In other Districts similar arrangements shall be made by the CMO's under the supervision of the DDC's. Besides, no medicines / stocks should be provided by the Health Department to any of the NGO instead it should be provided / distributed only through the Govt. staff.

**(Action by: Director SKIMS, Principal GMC Sgr, Dir. Health Services Kmr, Hony. Secy Red Cross)**

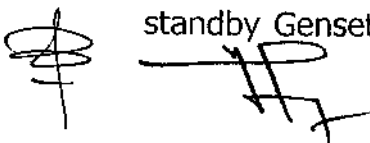
- 11) Non functional and damaged street lights on all streets along procession routes shall be made functional by PDD / SMC / Urban Local Bodies in all towns and Tourism Department in all Shia dominated areas.

**(Action by: All DDC's, Dir. Tourism Kmr, CE PDD Kmr, Dir. ULB Kmr, Comm. SMC)**

- 12) Chief Engineer PWD (R&B) Kashmir shall ensure repair / renovation of roads particularly Muharram procession routes in consultation with District Development Commissioners especially in Shia dominated areas and also ensure speedy work on construction of railway link road at Karipora Budgam in order to provide an alternate route for traffic diversion during Muharram procession District Headquarter Budgam so that general public may not suffer. The said route plan be published through print media.

**(Action by: All DDC's / CE R&B Kmr)**

- 13) Electric Department shall ensure un-interrupted power supply during Muharram days in Shia dominated areas and make the standby Gensets at all the Imambaras (if required) as per past



practice. The Department will also ensure that the damaged transformers and street lights are made functional on priority and buffer stock of transformers be made available in case of exigency during Muharram.

**(Action by: All DDC's, CE PDD(EM&RE) Kmr)**

- 14) PHE Department shall make adequate measures to provide drinking water to general public especially in concerned areas during Muharram as per past practice under the supervision of respective DDC's. Tanker service, whenever necessary shall also be made available.

**(Action By: All DDC's, CE PHE Kmr)**

- 15) Traffic Department should lay out effective traffic management plans for upcoming Muharram processions in order to avoid inconveniences to the general public. General Manager JKSRTC Srinagar, Regional Transport Officer Kashmir and SSP Traffic City / Rural Kashmir shall make necessary transport arrangements during Muharram days under the supervision of DDC's particularly on late hours after end of processions on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Muharram. The Identification of route be finalized in consultation with Shia Organization.

**(Action by: IGP Traffic, All DDC's, GM JKSRTC, RTO Kmr, & SSP Traffic City/Rural Kmr)**

- 16) Lakes and Waterways Development Authority shall take adequate measures in Mohallas located in Dal area so as to provide better civic facilities to the people during Muharram procession.

**(Action By: VC LAWDA Sgr)**

- 17) Srinagar Municipal Corporation shall start special cleanliness drive in City particularly lanes / by lanes in Shia dominated areas around Imambaras and procession routes.

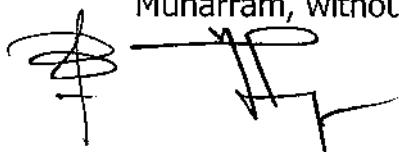
**(Action By: Comm. SMC & Director Urban Local Bodies Kmr)**

- 18) Fire & Emergency Services shall keep available adequate fire tenders near main Imambaras during Muharram. Special deployment would also be made on 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Muharram and other processions.

**(Action By: DG Fire & Emergency Services Kmr)**

- 19) Director Urban Local Bodies will issue necessary directions to all concerned. Executive Officers of Municipal Committees in each District for necessary arrangements of sanitation etc during Muharram, without fail.

**(Action By: Dir. Urban Local Bodies Kmr)**



- 20) Red Cross volunteers be placed at the disposal of Director Health Services Kashmir by Regional Red Cross Committee Kashmir and District Red Cross volunteers at District level at the disposal of Deputy Commissioners. Blood donation camps by Regional Red Cross be organized in consultation with Director Health Services Kashmir.

(Action By: Hony. Gen. Secy Red Cross Kmr / Dir. Health Kmr)

(Noor Mohammad)

**Deputy Director**

With Divisional Commissioner,  
Kashmir

Dated: 12.09.2017

No. DivCom/Dev/Muharram/59/2017/3635

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