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Minutes of the meeting held under the chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Kashmir on 23/08/2019 at 2.00 PM in connection with arrangements for commemoration of Muharram-ul-Harram, 2019.

A meeting under the chairmanship of Divisional Commissioner Kashmir was convened on 23/08/2019 to finalize the arrangements to be made by various departments in view of ensuing Holy month of Muharram-ul-Harram likely to start from 01.09.2019. All Deputy Commissioners attended the meeting through video conference, except Deputy Commissioner Srinagar who attended in person.

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

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

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.

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 shall not fix any examination on 11th Muharram, 1439.

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

- 3) All District Development Commissioners shall conduct Muharram arrangement meetings with all prominent Shia Organizations in their Districts, well before the commencement of the 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. 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 / HoD shall formulate the Action Plan for Muharram arrangements 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 arrangements during Muharram procession in the concerned areas of the 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 the 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 shall also be availed.

(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 stocking 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 CMOs under the supervision of the DDCs. Besides, no medicines / stocks should be provided by the Health Department to any of the NGOs instead it should be provided / distributed only through the Govt. staff.
(Action by: Director SKIMS, Principal GMC Sgr, Director Health Services Kashmir, Hony. Secretary 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 and respective Municipal Committees / Tourism Department in all Shia dominated areas.
(Action by: All DDC's, Dir. Tourism Kmr, CE PDD Kmr, Comm. SMC, Dir. UL Kmr)
- 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.
(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 provide 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) PHF 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 PHF Kmr)
- 15) Traffic Department should lay out effective traffic management plan 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 10th & 11th Muharram.

(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 10th & 11th Muharram.

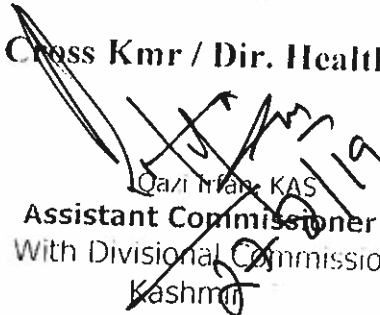
(Action By: DG Fire & Emergency Services Kmr)

- 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.

(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. General Secretary Red Cross Kmr / Dir. Health Kmr)


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