

No.8282/CHRI/T.1/2020  
GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY  
Department of Hindu Religious Institutions and Waqf  
Collectorate Complex (3<sup>rd</sup> Floor),  
Pettaiyan Chathiram, Puducherry – 605 009.

Puducherry dated:11.04.2020

**CIRCULAR**

Sub: CHRI – COVID 19' – Restrictions towards conduct all Social/Cultural/  
Religious functions/Gatherings – Orders – Issued Reg.

- Ref: 1. Letter in D.O.No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 10.04.2020 of the Home  
Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi.  
2. This Department Circular of even no. dated 27.03.2020.

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Attention is invited to the references cited above.

2. The District Collector, Puducherry in the meeting held today (11.04.2020) with all religious leaders has emphasized that in accordance with the directions of the Government of India and as part of the Lockdown Measures undertaken by the District Administration to prevent the spread of Corona Virus Disease no religious congregation will be permitted without any exception and all social/cultural/religious functions/gatherings shall be barred.

3. Hence, in accordance with the directions of the District Collector, Puducherry and instructions of the Government of India, as per reference 1<sup>st</sup> cited above, there will be total bar on the conduct of all social/cultural/religious functions/gatherings and further no religious congregation of any kind shall be conducted until further orders.

4. If any person/body is found to violate the above Orders/Instructions further action will be taken under the relevant provisions of Disaster Management Act, 2005 and Indian Penal Code.

/By order/

  
(G. SATCHIDANANDAM)  
COMMISSIONER

HINDU RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS AND WAKF

To

**All Religious Institutions coming under  
the U.T. of Puducherry.**

Copy to

1. The District Collector, Puducherry/Karaikal.
2. The Director, Health and Family Welfare Department, Puducherry.
3. The Deputy Collector(Revenue) (North/South),  
Puducherry/Villianur/Karaikal/Mahe/Yanam.

Copy submitted to

1. The Secretary(HRI), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
2. The Secretary(Wakf), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
3. The Secretary(Minority Affairs), Chief Secretariat, Puducherry.
4. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Puducherry.
5. The Private Secretary to Hon'ble Minister(Wakf), Puducherry.