## GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT COLLECTOR CUM DISTRICT MAGISTRATE PUDUCHERRY

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No. 1703/DM/RO/TAH/D2/2020/119

Puducherry, dt. 20/11/2020

## **ORDER**

Sub: DM – Covid-19 Relaxations - Reopening of public libraries – Orders Issued – Reg

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Ref: i. The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897

ii. The Disaster Management Act, 2005

iii. Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-l(A) dated 30.09.2020 of Ministry of Home

Affairs, Government of India.

iv. This office order no. 1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2020/116 dt. 01/11/2020 &

Order No. 1703/DRDM/DM/D2/2020/108 dt. 30/09/2020.

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In pursuance of the guidelines and SOPs issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs and the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, this District Administration has issued various orders for re-opening more activities with restrictions in a calibrated manner, in areas outside the Containment Zones.

Now, in continuation of the relaxations issued in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Government of India, the Government Public and Branch libraries within the U.T. of Puducherry, outside containment zones, are hereby permitted to function with immediate effect subject to strict adherence to COVID-19 safety protocols issued by the Government of India and this District administration from time to time in addition to the following standard guidelines:

- i) Use of Face masks to be mandatory
- ii) Seating inside library halls shall be arranged to effect social distancing norms.
- iii) Number of hours spent in the library may be restricted to only one hour per person.
- iv) Disinfection of the library premises is compulsory on daily basis.
- v) Time of operation for public visit shall be from 10.00 am to 4,00 pm.



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DISTRICT COLLECTOR -cumDISTRICT MAGISTRATE
PUDUCHERRY

To

The Director

Department of Arts and Culture, Puducherry

## Copy to

- 1. The Secretary to Government (Arts & Culture), Puducherry
- 2. The District Collector, Karaikal
- 3. The Regional Administrator (Mahe / Yanam)

## Copy submitted to

- The Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry
   The Hon'ble Minister for Arts & Culture, Puducherry
- 3. The Chief Secretary, Secretariat, Puducherry