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GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR Office of the District Magistrate Jammu Wazarat Road Jammu-180001 (J&K)-India

Sub:- Imposition of restrictions under Section 144
Cr.P.C.

Order No:- 01 /Dm7 of 2022 Dated:-24 -08-2022

- Whereas, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Civil Appeal No. 3282 of 2020 has directed that the occupation of public ways for protests is not acceptable and the administration should take action to keep such areas clear of encroachments or obstructions;
- 2. Whereas, it has been observed that multiple organisations/ groups/ individuals try to hold protests/rallies/dharnas at Tawi Bridges, thereby causing obstruction and grave inconvenience to the General Public as the Tawi bridges are a major thoroughfare in the city and these protests/rallies/ dharnas cause major traffic congestion affecting movement of vehicles throughout the city;
- Whereas, allowing such unruly and illegal gatherings on these bridges/roads are a serious threat to peace, order and harmony in the District.
- 4. Whereas, it has been made to appear to me, in view of the situation emerging due to such blockades, that there is sufficient ground for proceeding under Section 144 of CrPC for immediate prevention of danger to peace, order, human life and safety;
- Now, Therefore, I Avny Lavasa, IAS, District Magistrate, Jammu, vide powers conferred upon me under section 144 of CrPC, do hereby order that the General Public or any member thereof is completely prohibited from holding rallies, protests or

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dharnas and making speeches in and around all the four Tawi Bridges in Jammu;

- 6. However, above order shall not apply to: -
 - 1. Police or Paramilitary or Armed Forces of the Union or any other Government Servant on official duties;
 - 2. Processions/Rallies for which prior permission in writing by the District Magistrate/ Addl. Magistrate/Sub-Divisional Magistrate has been granted;
 - 7. The order shall come into force from today i.e. 24.08.2022 and shall be effective for a period of two (3) months;
 - 8. Since, it is not possible to serve prior notice of this order, it is as such being issued ex-parte. Any violation of this order shall invite punitive action under CrPC;
 - 9. This order shall be widely circulated for information of all by the Director, Information and Public Relations;
 - 10. Senior Superintendent of Police Jammu shall ensure that the order be enforced in letter and spirit.
 - 11. Given under my hand and seal today on 24th August 2022

No: DMJ/LO/22-23/10065-68

Dated: 24.08.2022

Avny Lavasa, IAS District Magistrate Jammu

Copy to:-

- 1. Additional Director General of Police, Jammu zone Jammu for kind information
- 2. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu for kind information.
- 3. Senior Superintendent of Police, Jammu for information and necessary action.
- 4. Senior Superintendent of Police Traffic, Jammu for information.