OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE (HQ), DELHI

**ORDER**

In compliance with the Office Order No.16/DHC/2020 dated 13.06.2020 from the Hon'ble Delhi High Court, functioning of the Courts subordinate to Delhi High Court shall continue to remain suspended till 30.06.2020 on account of Covid19 lockdown. Further, as directed by the Hon'ble High Court, the matters listed in the courts subordinate to Delhi High Court on 15.06.2020 shall be adjourned *en bloc* by each court in terms of the earlier directions; and with effect from 16.06.2020, all the subordinate courts, shall take up urgent cases (*except where evidence is to be recorded*) of their respective courts through videoconferencing mode and the other matters shall be adjourned accordingly.

On 15.06.2020, the matters of urgency in which pecuniary jurisdiction vests in the courts of Civil Judges shall also be taken up by the Additional District Judge on duty.

On 15.06.2020, the urgent matters shall be taken up by the following Judicial Officers:

**CRIMINAL MATTERS – I** (pertaining to Police Stations: Pahar Ganj, Nabi Karim, DBG Road, Chandni Mahal, Jama Masjid, Kotwali, Sadar Bazar, Kashmere Gate, Kashmere Gate Metro Stn., IPR, EOW, CBI(*other than PC Act*), CAW Cell, Official Secrets Act, Wild Life Protection Act, Special Acts, Enforcement Directorate, Bara Hindu Rao, Maurice Nagar, Crime Branch of Central Police District and Wazirabad.)

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| 1. | 15.06.2020 | Mr.Vidya Prakash, ASJ, Electricity | Mr.Mohd.Farrukh, ASJ, POCSO |

**CRIMINAL MATTERS – II** (pertaining to Police Stations: Hazrat Nizamuddin Rly.Stn., RMD, RPF, NDRS, Darya Ganj, Hauz Qazi, IP Estate, Sarai Rohilla, Sarai Rohilla (Railway), Kamla Market, Lahori Gate, Karol Bagh, Rajinder Nagar, Prasad Nagar, Special Task Force of Delhi Police, Delhi Cantt.Rly.Stn., Subzi Mandi, Subzi Mandi Rly.Stn., Pratap Nagar (Gulabi Bagh), Civil Lines, Roop Nagar, Timarpur and Burari.)

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| 1. | 15.06.2020 | Ms.Charu Aggarwal, ASJ | Ms.Kamini Lau, PO MACT |

**CIVIL MATTERS**

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| 1. | 15.06.2020 | Mr.Arun Sukhija, ADJ | Mr.Hemraj, ADJ |

Further, in compliance of orders of the Hon'ble High Court received vide communication No.17/DHC/2020 dated 14.06.2020 of the worthy Registrar General, it is directed that:

(i) All courts subordinate to the High Court, shall take up urgent cases (*except where evidence is to be recorded*) of their respective courts through videoconferencing mode only;

(ii) The Judicial Officers presiding over such courts shall hear matters through videoconferencing from their respective residences with effect from 16.06.2020. The Judicial Officers may be permitted to come to court for holding videoconferencing hearings from their respective chambers only when they do not have requisite technical infrastructure at their residences;

(iii) By 04:00pm on 15.06.2020, all Judicial Officers shall send to Shri Dharampal, PS of the undersigned (WhatsApp No.9899311693) staff duty roster of their court, enlisting names of at least one staff official of their respective court to remain present turn by turn on every

working day till 30.06.2020 to facilitate the Judicial Officer to conduct videoconferencing and for transmission of requisite documents/records to the Judicial Officer;

(iv) Considering the present pandemic situation, the facility of e-filing and hearings through videoconferencing are extended to Civil Courts and in that regard, it is directed that:

(a) The facility of e-filing of cases under CIS 2.0, as already made available for the Family Courts and Commercial Courts, is extended to the other Civil Courts in order to enable lawyers to file fresh matters, which shall be heard by the concerned courts through videoconferencing;

(b) The said facilities can also be used for moving any urgent application in a pending matter where videoconferencing hearing is required;

(c) In case a counsel/litigant does not wish to avail the facility of e-filing and videoconferencing hearing, then the period of limitation for actions (*if applicable*) shall be governed by decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Suo-Motu Writ Petition (Civil) No.3/2020 titled In re: Cognizance For Extension of Limitation dated 23.03.2020, wherein the period of limitation has been extended till further orders.

However, as earlier also directed, counsel for both sides may also be impressed upon to send brief written submissions through email. Each court shall have its independent email ID for the said purpose. If required, assistance of the Centralized Computer Committee be taken for creation of such email ID.

GIRISH KATHPALIA

(GIRISH KATHPALIA)
District & Sessions Judge (HQ) Delhi
Date: 14.06.2020

*No. 11598-11728/DJ Central/Lockdown COVID-19/AD&SJ Duty & Arrangements/2020 Dated: 14.06.2020*

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11. The Director, Directorate of Prosecution, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Delhi
12. The Superintendent, Narcotic Control Bureau, Delhi Zonal Unit, West Block-1, Wing No. 7, R.K. Puram, New Delhi
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District & Sessions Judge (HQ)
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