OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL DISTRICT & SESSIONS JUDGE, NEW DELHI DISTRICT, PATIALA HOUSE COURT, NEW DELHI

ADVISORY

In the light of the increase/ rise in the cases of Covid-19 Virus (Omicron) the following advisory is issued to be followed / adopted in Patiala House Courts, New Delhi.

- Presence of the parties may not be insisted unless it is necessary. All learned Judicial Officers are
 requested to take appropriate measures to regulate entry of the litigants and the general public in
 their respective Court Rooms to avoid over-crowding so that protocols of social distancing is
 maintained. It be ensured that everyone present in the Court is wearing masks properly.
- 2. The lawyers may also advise their clients not to visit the Court premises, unless their presence is directed by the court, or their visit is totally unavoidable.
- 3. Ld. Judicial Officers are requested to take-up the matters in a scattered manner by fixing time slots and may resort to time slotting for similar set of cases.
- 4. Ld. Judicial Officers are also requested to meticulously comply with the orders in W.P. (c) No. 2018/2021, titled as Mr. Anil Kumar Hajelay & Ors. Vs. Hon'ble High Court of Delhi & Anr in grant of hearings through video conference.
- 5. Unnecessary over- crowding in the Lock up be curtailed and appropriate steps in this regard be taken by security staff. Lockup authorities/ Investigating, Officers to ensure that all the UTPs/ freshly arrested persons are as far as possible are fully vaccinated and before first production of any inmate, his/her Rapid Antigen Test is done.
- 6. The Doctor In-charge of the dispensary in Patiala House Courts to ensure that medical dispensary in the Court Complex is well equipped to tackle the occurrence of any emergent situation. It be also ensured that testing facility is available. The vaccination program should also be on place.
- 7. It be ensured that sanitizers in sufficient proportion is available in each Court and Branch including for usage by visitors. Staff manning seats/ windows, where there is constant interaction with general Public, shall remain more vigilant.
- 8. Housekeeping agency/ staff to ensure that highest level of hygiene is maintained in the Court Complex and disinfectants are sprayed at regular Intervals.

- The existing dedicated teams (comprising Ld. Senior Judicial Officers, Ld. ACJ and Senior Ministerial Staff) are requested to do regular inspection and take appropriate remedial steps in case of any lapse.
- 10. The President and General Secretary of New Delhi Bar Association may issue necessary directions and sensitize the bar members to ensure that there is no crowding in the Court Complex including the lawyers chambers.
- 11. All present in the complex should wear proper masks and maintain Social distancing. No entry in Court Complex/ Court Rooms be allowed to any person who is not wearing proper mask. Proper thermal scanning be also done at all entry points.

(Dinesh Kumar Sharma)
Principal District & Sessions Judge
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