ORDER No. 536

Port Blair dated 26th Sept, 2020

Whereas, Tourism activities in A&N Islands had been suspended following the imposition of lockdown in view of outbreak of COVID-19 in the country.

Whereas, now with the start of Unlock phase, different sectors of the economy are being opened, considering the livelihood needs of the people.

Whereas, Tourism is the fulcrum of the economy and major source of livelihood in the Islands.

Now therefore, it is hereby ordered that the following tourism activities will be permitted to operate in South Andaman district, except Little Andaman, w.e.f 27.09.2020, subject to fulfilling the Standard Operating Procedure enclosed herewith:

1. Opening of Beaches in South Andaman District, except Little Andaman.
2. Opening of Light & Sound Show at Cellular Jail.
3. Opening of Light & Sound Show at Netaji Subash Chandra Bose Island.
4. Opening of Museums.
5. Opening of snorkelling and boat rides.

Any other orders or advisories issued by Govt. of India, A&N Administration or any other Competent Authority will also have to be followed, as applicable.

Opening of other districts / activities will be considered subsequently, in the next phase.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Dy. Director (Tourism)

Copy to:
1. The SO to Director General of Police for information.
2. The PS to PCCF, Van Sadan for information of PCCF.
3. The Principal Secretaries/Commissioner-cum-Secretary/Secretaries for information.
4. The Deputy Commissioner, South Andaman/ North & Middle Andaman/Car Nicobar District for information and necessary actions.
5. All HOD's of A&N Administration for information and necessary action.
6. The Superintendent of Police, South Andaman/ North & Middle Andaman/Car Nicobar District for information and necessary action.
7. OIC, Navy, NSCB Island for information and necessary action.
8. In-Charge, Anthropological Museum for information and necessary action.
9. In-Charge, Naval Museum for information and necessary action.
10. In-charge, Fisheries Museum for information and necessary action.
11. President, Andaman Chamber of Commerce for information.
12. All Tours and Travel Operators Associations for information.
13. All Boat Operators Associations for information.
15. The Chief Editor, The Daily Telegram, Port Blair with the request that the above Press Note may please be published in the Daily Telegrams.
16. The News Editor, Doordarshan Kendra, Port Blair with the request to include the above news items in the news bulletin.
17. The News Editor, AIR, Port Blair with the request to broadcast the above Press Note as News Item through the Pradeshi Samachar Bulletin.
18. The In-Charge, I.T. for uploading on Departmental Website.
19. The Publicity Assistant for publicity through Local media.
20. All Beach Officers for information and necessary action.

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