Government of Jammu and Kashmir Home Department

Civil Secretariat, Jammu/Srinagar

Subject: Temporary suspension of Telecom Services-confirmation reg;

Ref. : i) Order No. 642(TSTS) of 2023 dated 05.08.2023 issued by ADGP, Jammu Zone, Jammu (Authorized Officer).

ii) Letter No. JZ/SNAP-DOWN/2023/645-46 dated 05.08.2023 of ADGP Jammu

Zone, Jammu.

Government Order No: Home – 04(TSTS) of 2023 Dated: 06.08.2023

Whereas, the ADGP, Jammu Zone, Jammu, being the Authorized Officer under the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017, has issued directions to the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs)/Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to suspend mobile data services (3G/4G/5G) and limit 2G Data Services (less than 100 KBPS Speed) in Tehsil Mendhar, District Poonch, w.e.f 05.08.2023 (2355 Hrs.) to 06.08.2023 (1800 Hrs.); and

Whereas, the order/letter under reference, inter-alia, mentions about possibility of misuse of mobile data (2G/3G/4G/5G) services by the anti-national elements/miscreants, which may cause deterioration in public order. It has been mentioned that there have been numerous occasions on which anti-national elements/miscreants have used social media platforms to spread fake news and inciting material, with the aim of creating disruption in public order and tranquility.

Now, therefore, upon consideration of the various aspects, as brought out in the material provided by the Authorized Officer, I, Financial Commissioner (ACS) Home, being satisfied that there was absolute necessity for issuance of the aforesaid directions by the Authorized Officer, without obtaining prior approval of the Competent Authority, in the interest of sovereignty and integrity of India, the security of the State and for maintaining public order, hereby confirm order No. 642(TSTS) of 2023 dated 05.08.2023, under endorsement No. JZ/CS/Snap-down/2023/643-44 dated 05.08.2023, issued by the Authorized Officer, in exercise of powers conferred under sub-rule (1) of Rule 2 of the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

(R.K. Goyal) IAS,

Financial Commissioner (ACS), Home.

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2. Government Order file (w2sc).

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1. Chief Secretary, J&K.

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3. Secretary to Government,
Department of Law, Justice, and Parliamentary Affairs.

For further necessary action in terms of sub-rule (5) of Rule 2 of the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017 and G.O. No. Home-02 (TSTS) of 2020 dated 14.01.2020.

Dated: 06.08.2023