## Government of Jammu and Kashmir **Home Department**

Civil Secretariat, Jammu

Temporary suspension of Telecom Services-confirmation reg.;

Reference: i) Order No. 609 (TSTS) of 2020 dated 31.05.2020, issued under endorsement Nos. KZ/CS/PC-Sgr/20/1052-53, by the IGP, Kashmir Zone (Authorized

ii) Letter No. KZ/CS/snap-down/1059-60 dated 31.05.2020 from IGP, Kashmir

## Government Order No: Home - 58 (TSTS) of 2020 Dated: 01.06.2020

Whereas, the IGP, Kashmir Zone, 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 2G data services in District Anantnag, on 31.05.2020, w.e.f 0330 Hrs to 1030 Hrs;

Whereas, the order under reference inter-alia mentions about the encounter between the Security Forces and the terrorists in Poshkreeri Srigufwara area of District Anantnag, and the likelihood of misuse of data services by the anti-national elements/OGWs to communicate with their sympathizers for mobilizing crowds, and disturb the law and order situation in the area, warranting issuance of the aforesaid directions, without obtaining approval of the Competent Authority.

Now, therefore, upon consideration of the various aspects, as brought out in the material provided by the Authorized Officer, I, Principal Secretary to the Government, Home Department, being satisfied that there was absolute necessity of issuance of the aforesaid directions by the Authorized Officer, without obtaining prior approval of the Competent Authority, in the interest of sovereignty & integrity of India, the security of the State and for maintaining public order, hereby confirm order No. 609 (TSTS) of 2020 dated 31.05.2020, issued under endorsement No. KZ/CS/PC-Sgr/20/1052-53 dated 31.05.2020, by the Authorized Officer, in exercise of the powers conferred under sub-rule (1) of Rule 2 of the Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

(Shaleen Kabra) IAS.

Principal Secretary to the Government Dated: 01.06.2020

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