Government of Jammu and Kashmir

Home Department
Civil Secretariat, Jammu/Srinagar

Subject: Temporary suspension of Telecom Services—confirmation reg; Reference: 1.Order Nos. 5721, 5724 & 5725(TSTS) of 2021 dated 25.11.2021,

5726, 5756 & 5757(TSTS) of 2021 dated 25.11.2021,

IGP, Kashmir Zone (Authorized Officer).

2.Letter No.KZ/CS/snap-down/2269-70 dated 26.11.2021 from IGP, Kaslīmir.

Government Order No: Home -68(TSTS) of 2021 Dated: 26.11.2021

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) vide orders, as per the details given hereunder to suspend mobile data services in below mentioned areas w.e.f the dates/time as shown against each:

S.No.	Order No. and date	Area/District	District	w.e.f/upto
î.	5721(TSTS) of 2021 dated 25.11.2021	Nowgam	Srinagar	0800 Hrs. to
		Wanpoh	Kulgam	1100 Hrs on
		Litter and Pampore	Pulwama	25.11.2021
2.	5724(TSTS) of 2021 dated 25.11.2021	Nowgam	Srinagar	1500 Hrs. on
		Wanpoh	Kulgam	to 2200 Hrs.
		Litter and Pampore	Pulwama	on 25.11.2021
3.	5725(TSTS) of		Anantnag	2200 Hrs. on
	2021 dated	Kehribal, Ranbirpora, Govt.		25.11.2021 to
	25,11,2021	Degree College Mattan		0800 Hrs on
				26.11.2021
4.	5726(TSTS) of	Nowgam	Srinagar	0800 Hrs. to
	2021 dated	Wanpoh	Kulgam	1100 Hrs on
	26.11.2021	Litter and Pampore	Pulwama	26.11.2021
5.	5756(TSTS) of 2021 dated	Nowgam	Srinagar	1500 Hrs. to
		Wanpoh	Kulgam	2200 Hrs. on
	24.11.2021	Litter and Pampore	Pulwama	26.11.2021
6.	5757(TSTS) of 2021 dated 24.11.2021	Kehribal, Ranbirpora, Govt. Degree College Mattan	Anantnag	2200 Hrs. on
				26.11.2021 to
				0800 Hrs on
				27.11.2021

Whereas, the orders/letter under reference inter-alia mention that during recent times, there have been various incidents of targeted killing of the civilians, which is a clear indication of the nefarious designs of the terrorists to create a sense of insecurity amongst the public. It has been further mentioned that majority of these terrorist attacks have been carried out during the evening hours and the terrorists and the OGWs are making use of various mobile Apps. and VoIP for coordinating such terror activities, which are required to be thwarted by taking pre-emptive measures to create an environment of safety and security for the general public; and

Whereas, various areas have been identified by the law enforcement agencies as vulnerable areas from the security point of view, necessitating placing of restrictions on access to internet, although for a limited period of time.

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 and integrity of India, the security of the State and for maintaining public order, hereby confirm the orders under reference, 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.

(Shaleen-Kabra) IAS,

Dated: 26.11.2021

Principal Secretary to the Government.

No: Home/ISA/2019/55/Order/Part II Copy to the:

1. Inspector General of Police, Kashmir Zone, Srinagar for information.

2. Government Order file (w2sc).

3. I/c website.