

Government of Jammu and Kashmir
Home Department
Civil Secretariat, Jammu

Subject: Temporary suspension of Telecom Services– confirmation reg;

Reference: Order No. 56 of 2020 dated 27.01.2020 read with order dated 28.01.2020, under endorsement No. KZ/CS/1580-84 dated 28.01.2020, issued by IGP, Kashmir Zone (Authorized Officer).

Government Order No: Home -07(TSTS) of 2020
Dated: 28.01.2020

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 an order on 27.01.2020, directing the Telecom Service Providers (TSPs) / Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to suspend 2G data services in district Anantnag; and

Whereas, order under reference *inter-alia* mentions about the encounter between the Security Forces and the terrorists in the Arwani area of district Anantnag and the likelihood of misuse of data services by the anti-national elements to disturb the law and order situation in district Anantnag, warranting issuance of the aforesaid directions, without obtaining approval of the Competent Authority; and

Whereas, vide order dated 28.01.2020, under reference, the authorized officer has directed the TSPs/ISPs to restore 2G data services in district Anantnag.

Now, therefore, taking note of the order *ibid* and 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 the security of the State and for maintaining public order, hereby confirm order No. 56 of 2020 dated 27.01.2020, issued 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.

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Dated: 28.01.2020

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