



## Mumbai: Section 144 imposed till 15 July Mumbai Police has imposed Section 144 in the city from today in order to prevent the further spread of COVID-19...

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Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray on Tuesday welcomed Prime Minister Narendra Modi's announcement to extend the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana (PMGKAY) by five months till November end. Mumbai Police has imposed Section 144 in the city from today in order to prevent the further spread of COVID-19.

All movement of one or more persons in the areas designated as "Containment Zones" by the Municipal Authorities is prohibited except for essential services, supply of essential goods and medical emergencies.

"Mumbai city continues to be threatened with the spread of COVID-19, it is considered expedient to issue prohibitory orders for restricting any presence or movement of one or more persons in public places or gathering of any sort anywhere including religious places to prevent the further spread of COVID-19 virus in the areas under the control of Commissioner of Police, Greater Mumbai," the order said.

To reduce COVID-19 deaths in Mumbai hospitals, the BMC on Tuesday released a nine-point protocol that will be followed under the new initiative 'Save Lives Strategy'. BMC noted that many deaths in hospitals occur as patients remove oxygen to go to the toilet, especially between 1 am and 5 am. Under the new protocol, it will now be mandatory for every bed to be provided with a bed-pan. It will also be mandatory for junior and senior doctors to conduct meetings twice a day for updates on patients, either through video conference or telephonic conversation.

Meanwhile, a study conducted by NGO Praja Foundation has found that areas with poor civic facilities are more susceptible to the proliferation of COVID-19 cases.

Maharashtra's coronavirus case tally rose to 1,74,761 on Tuesday with addition of 4,878 new patients while the death toll mounted by 245, including 57 fatalities in Mumbai, to 7,855, state health department Maharashtra, which has the maximum number of coronavirus cases in the country, has extended the lockdown till 31 July. According to the latest guidelines issued on Monday, shopping, outdoor exercise and movement for all other non-essential activities have to be limited to neighbourhood areas. No such curbs were announced when such activities were first permitted from 5 June as part of the 'Mission Begin Again' initiative.

Meanwhile, India recorded 507 deaths and 18,653 coronavirus cases in the last 24 hours, pushing the total number of infections to 5,85,493, including 17,400 deaths.

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