

No. 2/1/2023-1H (C)

Dated Chandigarh the 26.02.2.23

## ORDER UNDER SECTION 5 OF INDIAN TELEGRAPH ACT, 1885 AND RULE 2 OF TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF TELECOM SERVICES (PUBLIC EMERGENCY OR PUBLIC SAFETY) RULES, 2017

- Whereas, it has been brought to my notice vide No. 1999/M.B./Camp dated 25.02.2023 by the District Magistrate, Nuh that there is a potential cause for communal tension, obstruction or injury to persons, danger to human life and property, disturbance of public peace and tranquility in district Nuh of the state of Haryana.
- 2. And whereas, there is a clear potential of disruption of public utilities, damage to public assets and amenities and disturbance of public law and order in district Nuh on account of misuse of internet services by way of spread of inflammatory material and false rumours, which are being/could be transmitted/circulated to the public through social media/ messaging services on mobile internet services, SMS services and other dongle services.
- 3. It has been reported to me by the concerned authorities that there is an imminent need to curb the spread of misinformation and rumours through various social media platforms, such as WhatsApp, Facebook Twitter, etc. on mobile phones and SMS which could provoke mobilisation of mobs of agitators and demonstrators who can cause serious loss of life and damage to public and private properties by indulging in arson or vandalism and other types of violent activities.
- Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred upon me by virtue of Section 5 of Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 to be read along with Rule (2) of Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety ) Rules, 2017, I, Home Secretary, Haryana do hereby order the mobile suspension of the internet services(2G/3G/4G/CDMA/GPRS), all SMS services (only bulk SMS & excluding banking and mobile recharge) and all dongle services etc. provided on mobile networks except the voice calls in the territorial jurisdiction of district Nuh of Haryana State. All telecom service providers of Haryana are hereby directed to ensure the compliance of this order.
- 5. This order is being issued to prevent any disturbance of peace and public order in the jurisdiction of district Nuh in the state of Haryana and shall be in force w.e.f. 26.02.2023 (10:00hrs) to 28.02.2023 (23:59 hrs). This order is being passed ex-parte in view of the emergent situation as explained in the earlier paragraphs. Any person found guilty of violation of the aforesaid order will be liable for legal action under relevant provisions.



(T.V.S.N. Prasad)
Addl. Chief Secretary to Govt. of Haryana,
Home Department

Copy to the following for information, immediate necessary action and compliance: -

- Director General of Police, Haryana.
- ADGP/CID, Haryana to convey and get this order implemented immediately through all mobile service providers.
- 3. Director Public Relations, Haryana (For vide publicity of this order)
- 4. District Magistrate, Nuh for information w.r.to his request letter mentioned above.
- 5. Superintendent of Police, Nuh.
- Superintendent IT Cell, Home Department (to upload this order on Home Department website)