

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
DIRECTORATE OF CORRECTIONAL SERVICES
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Memo no. 261 / ADG & IG /2020

Date: 04/06/2020

To
Ld. Registrar General,
Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta,
Kolkata -700001

Sub: Submission of Action taken report of Directorate of Correctional Services, West Bengal in view of out Break of COVID – 19 Virus.

Ref: Order dated 12/05/2020 passed by Hon'ble High Court at Calcutta in connection with W.P no 8573(w) of 2018 (Next date of hearing 9/06/2020)

Ld. Sir,

With reference to above and pursuant to same it is submitted that the initiatives mentioned in this office reports submitted before the Hon'ble Court vide memo no 64/ADG & IG/2020 dated 08/04/2020 & 156/ADG & IG/2020 dated 29.04.2020 have been carried forward. In addition the following follow-up actions have been further initiated from the end of Directorate of Correctional Services, West Bengal.

1. Additional Capacity (temporary) for lodging inmates have been created in the Correctional Homes situated in West Bengal by way of utilizing spaces available at Recreation Clubs / Common Rooms / Vocational Training Centre(s) / Closed Wards etc. Total space so created is 2059.
2. Extensive steps were taken to ensure that the cyclone Amphan causes least problem in the Correctional Homes. The steps taken included keeping phones charged, stocking up all supplies (including water), generator facilities, securing all loose structures etc.

A special control room monitored the situation before landfall of the cyclone and till the next two days.

There was no harm to any inmate or staff during the cyclone.

Hon'ble Justice Sabyasachi Bhattacharya of the Calcutta High Court was pleased to visit the Tamluk Sub Correctional Home on 22.05.2020 (The next day after the cyclone).

Damage to the properties of Correctional Homes situated within West Bengal has been minimal, which mainly relate to some roofs, trees which fell etc.

3. Eid was celebrated by holding Namaz session in all Correctional Homes situated in West Bengal. The Namaz sessions was held by observing all preventive measures including Social Distancing Norms between the inmates.
4. Till 31.05.2020 - 10864 & 1426 inmates have been released on bail and granted parole respectively (details enumerated in the table appended below).

Number of Inmates whose names feature in the High Power Committee List - Granted Interim Bail	Number of Inmates whose names feature in the High Power Committee List - Granted Bail Through Regular Judicial Order	Number of Inmates whose names DO NOT feature in the High Power Committee List - Granted Bail Through Regular Judicial Order	Number of Convicts Granted Parole
2029	1201	7634	1426

5. Moreover petitions / representation received by this Directorate in c/w any issue related to detention of inmates are being forwarded to High Powered Committee.

Yours faithfully,

W/P 4.6.2020

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