



**Government of Odisha**  
**Office of Special Relief Commissioner**

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No. 6149 /R&DM(DM)      Date: **31.10.2020**  
RDM-RLF-MISC-0034-2020

**ORDER**

In Order No.6145/R&DM(DM) dated 31.10.2020 issued by this Department, **Sub-clause (iv) of Clause 2 (Regulation of activities in areas outside the containment Zones) shall be substituted as follows:**

iv. "All academic institutions will remain closed till November 30, 2020.

However, the Department of School & Mass Education may take appropriate decision with regard to the date of re-opening of schools under its control/ superintendence/ supervision in respect of classes from 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> Standard, in a graded manner, after November 15, 2020 in consultation with relevant stakeholders and issue necessary guidelines/ SOP.

Notwithstanding closure of academic institutions, the followings will be permitted:

- a. Conduct of examinations (academic, competitive and entrance tests), evaluation and other administrative activities.
- b. Online/ distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
- c. School & Mass Education Department/ Higher Education Department may permit teaching and non-teaching staff to be called to the schools for online teaching/ tele-counselling and related work, in areas outside the Containment Zones only as per Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued by the Ministry of Education/ Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), GoI.

- d. Higher Education Institutions will be permitted to open only for research scholars (Ph.D.) and post-graduate students in science and technology stream requiring laboratory/ experimental work.
- e. All training activities including skill and professional development."

By order of the Governor

  
Chief Secretary

**Memo No. 6150/R&DM(DM)      Date: 31.10.2020**

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Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

**Memo No. 6151/R&DM(DM)      Date: 31.10.2020**

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Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

**Memo No. 6152/R&DM(DM)      Date: 31.10.2020**

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