

No. Per (AP-B)-B (3)-4/2017  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department of Personnel

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**ARMSDALE BUILDING**  
**Dated Shimla-171002, 30<sup>th</sup> March, 2020**

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

The undersigned is directed to invite attention to this Department's Office Memorandum of even number dated the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2020, vide which guidelines for requirement of taking prior permission by Government servants for leaving station/ headquarters during leave or otherwise, especially for visits abroad, were issued.

2. As you are aware that World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the current outbreak of COVID-19 a pandemic and public health emergency of international level. If the epidemic continues to spread, it is expected that many more areas may have infected persons and might face local transmission of COVID-19. In such circumstances, preventive measures that restrict the movement of people and promote social distancing may prove temporarily effective and useful.

3. The State Government has taken many steps in promoting social and physical distancing in order to prevent in spread of COVID-19 in the community including restrictions on entry in places of religious worships, closure of educational institutions and prohibiting of all type of gatherings etc..

4. In furtherance of the steps taken, it has been decided by the State Government that permissions to visit abroad either in official capacity or private capacity accorded in favour of the officers/ officials of any Department, PSUs or Autonomous Bodies may henceforth be treated as withdrawn or suspended till situation relating to COVID-19 is brought under control.

5. These instructions may be disseminated to the all concerned.

(R.D. DHIMAN)

Additional Chief Secretary (Personnel) to the  
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