

## The PESHAWAR HIGH COURT Peshawar

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#### GUIDELINES DURING 3<sup>RD</sup> WAVE OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID – 19).

Keeping in view the recent surge in Covid-19 infections and its ever increasing positivity rates, the Competent Authority, in order to mitigate the possibility of further spread of the disease, has been pleased to direct all concerned to observe the following measures forthwith:

### <u>Cases of urgent nature of the Courts of D&SJ and AD&SJ which include the following must be given preference:</u>

- Cases in which directions have been issued for early hearing by Peshawar High Court or by Hon'ble Supreme Court of Pakistan.
- Hearing of Pre/Post arrest bail applications.
- Applications under Section 22-A, 22-B Cr.P.C.
- Habeas Corpus petitions.
- · Revision Petitions.
- Cases intended to be decided on basis of compromise or withdrawal, etc.
- Cases at final arguments.
- Miscellaneous Applications.
- Custody Cases.
- Target cases under five year plan.

### With regard to Courts of Civil Judges / Senior Civil Judges / Magistrates, the following cases of civil nature must be given preference.

- Suit for declaration (relating to legal heirs only).
- Civil cases in which the statement of last one or two witnesses is to be recorded.
- Stay applications.
- Misc Applications.
- Rent petitions
- Family cases
- Cases at final arguments
- Cases intended to be decided on the basis of compromise or withdrawal, etc.
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Courts shall strive to employ the techniques for ensuring remote presence through application of the ICT based devices at their disposal. Guidance in this respect is amply provided by this Court in case titled "M. Israr vs State". This Judgment can be downloaded from www.peshawarhighcourt.gov.pk

In addition the Covid-19 precautionary instructions be observed: -

- District & Sessions Judges shall convene a meeting of Bar President and General Secretaries to discuss and apprise them of these measures.
- ii. Staff and Officers shall wear masks.
- iii. Sanitizers must be available outside each Court and office.
- iv. The District & Sessions Judges and Focal Persons shall coordinate and keep liaison with District Administration for taking necessary measures for curtailing the spread of pandemic.
- v. The Magistrates shall ensure attendance of the accused in the jail premises in which the trial has not yet commenced or where proceedings are not being conducted. In this respect the Districts & Sessions Judges shall nominate and manage the visit of Magistrates in the concerned jails.

The guidelines shall remain effective in the month of Ramadan.

Peshawar High Court, Peshawar.

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Dated ...../9..../04/2021

- 1. All the District & Sessions Judge / ZQ in the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (Cadre & Ex-Cadre).
- 2. All the Add. Registrar of the Peshawar High Court Benches.
- 3. The Inspector General Police, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 4. The Secretary Home Department, Govt. of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, Peshawar.
- 5. The Inspector General Prisons, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 6. The Secretary Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Bar Council.
- 7. All the Private Secretary(s) to the Hon'ble Judge(s) of Peshawar High Court, Peshawar.
- 8. The President Peshawar High Court Bar Association, Peshawar, Abbottabad, Bannu, D.I. Khan and Swat.
- 9. All the Presidents of District & Tehsil Bar Association in Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 10. The Director (I.T), Peshawar High Court, Peshawar to upload a copy on official website.

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