THE HIGH COURT OF SINDH, KARACHI

NO. RHC/CIRCULAR/2020

Karachi the 05th June, 2020

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In continuation of this Court's earlier directions/preventive measures contained in circulars/notifications dated 09.03.2020, 13.03.2020, 17.03.2020, 22.03.2020, 16.04.2020 etc, the Hon'ble Chief Justice, in wake of recent spread of COVID-19 at an alarming rate and increase in number of asymptomatic COVID-19 patients in Sindh, has been pleased to direct that:-

- The learned Advocates appearing in this Court are advised to wear face mask, hand gloves, avoid overcrowding and maintain social distancing even in Courtrooms.
- 2. The Respondents and or in-person petitioners/parties wearing face mask and hand gloves may attend the Courts as and when summoned/called while anyone else not party to the cases fixed before the Courts shall not be allowed to sit in Courtrooms and or unnecessarily visit the Offices/Branches.
- In every Courtroom where cases are being proceeded hand sanitizers
 will be made available and the learned Advocates appearing in
 different cases before this Court are requested first to use the
 sanitizers.
- The concerned Junior/Senior Court Associates shall take steps to avoid overcrowding of Courtrooms and shall not allow any private person to enter the Courtrooms unless called by the Court.
- The windows and gates of every Courtroom/Branch/Office shall remain open for proper ventilation and Air Conditioners will remain closed.
- No staff member/officer shall enter in the Office/Court building without properly washing/cleansing their hands with liquid soaps installed in washrooms.

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- Besides, all staff members shall wear face masks, hand gloves, maintain proper distancing amongst colleagues and parties/advocates and avoid shaking hands/physical contact.
- Fumigation will be done daily to disinfect every Courtroom/Branch/Office.
- Litigants/parties in person will not be allowed to unnecessarily visit
 the Courtrooms/Branches for safety and security of the public at
 large.
- 10. The Budget Branch shall make proper arrangement of hand sanitizers, face masks, hand gloves and provide the same to all officers/officials of this Court attending to their jobs daily or on rotation basis, as regulated by the Incharge/Assistant Registrar and or head of the concerned Branches/Offices.

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1. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Justice.

- All the Court Associates to the Hon'ble Judges for placing before their Lordships.
- The Additional Registrar, High Court of Sindh, Bench at Sukkur, Circuit Court at Larkana and Hyderabad.
- 4. The Advocate General, Sindh, Karachi
- 5. The Prosecutor General Sindh, Karachi
- 6. The Additional Attorney General Sindh, Karachi
- 7. The President, Sindh High Court Bar Association.
- 8. Director I.T of this Court.
- 9. The Secretary Services of this Court.
- 10. The Director General (Finance & Accounts) of this Court.
- 11. All the Officers/Incharge of the Branches of this Court.
- 12. Media Cell of this Court.