

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT MAGISTRATE HOJAI :: SRIMANTA SANKARDEV NAGAR

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eCF No. 73317/1105

Date: 03rd April, 2025

PROHIBITORY ORDER (U/S 163 of BNSS)

WHEREAS it has been made to appear before me that some anti social elements are likely to create trouble thereby causing disturbance of public peace and tranquility endangering life and property of public in the Hojai District area in view of Panchayat Election 2025 to be held on 07/05/2025.

AND WHEREAS, I am of the opinion that issue of prohibitory order under section 163 of BNSS is felt necessary with a view to maintain public peace, security and tranquillity for peaceful voting by the voters;

THEREFORE I, Sri Bidyut Bikash Bhagawati, ACS, District Magistrate, Hojai in exercise of power conferred upon me u/s 163 of BNSS do hereby promulgate prohibitory order banning the following in the interest of the maintaining public peace and tranquillity in the Hojai District area:

- 1. Assembly of five or more persons in the public place without formal permission from the undersigned.
- 2. Carrying of lethal weapons and arms in the public places including lathis, daggers, sticks, spears, sword etc. that can be used as weapons.
- Holding of rallies, meeting, gathering in the public place without any permission, public rally, procession, demonstrations, strikes including hunger strike, dharnas, shouting, slogans etc. in the public places, causing obstructions to public roads and highways, footpath and normal movement of traffic etc.
- 4. Display of animals/participation of children/Bursting of fire crackers in the road show campaign.
- 5. Use of loud speakers/Microphones etc. without permission.
- 6. Using loudspeaker in high volumes near hospital, educational institutions, religious places etc.
- 7. Using loudspeaker between 10.00 PM to 06.00 AM.
- Inflammatory speeches, communal or anti state/anti national speeches/ slogans/ banners/postering/ wall writing etc. and any other defacement in Religious places/buildings & premises of Govt/Semi-Govt/Govt undertaking departments.
- 9. Shouting of any provocative/anti-state etc. slogan.
- 10. Any act in any public place by any person which may spread ill feeling and enmity against any community and /or which may disturb the communal peace and harmony.
- 11. Transmission of objectionable messages through SMSs or other Social Media Platforms which may vitiate the process of elections.

The order prohibiting assembly of persons at public place will however not be applicable in the case of assembly of persons in voting area/marketing/shopping in market place, parties and play ground for games and sports only, cinema hall and other regular places of entertainment, educational institutions for academic purposes and bus stations for vehicle only and gathering in normal course of works or business or performing marriage ceremony and during celebration of religious functions, public or private of all communities.

The order will also not be applicable in respect of police and army personnel and on duty magistrates, Judicial officers and persons engaged on govt. works including election related works/business purposes and door to door campaigning by the candidates.

Owing to the necessity of the situation, this order is passed ex-parte under section 163 of Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita. However anyone aggrieved by the order may approach the competent authority for modification/waiver/alteration/rescind of the order.

This order comes into force with immediate effect and will remain in force till the declaration of election results.

Any violation of this order is punishable U/S 223 of Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita.

Given under my hand & seal on this day.

District Migistrate
Hojaion ankardev Naga

Date: 03rd April, 2025

Copy for favour of kind information to:-

- 1. The Chief Electoral Officer, Assam, Dispur, Ghy-06.
- 2. The State Election Commissioner, Assam, Panjabari, Ghy-781037.
- The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Home and Political Department, Assam Secretariat, Dispur, Ghy-06.
- 4. The District & Sessions Judge, Hojai, Sankardev Nagar.

Copy for information and necessary action to:-

- 1. The Superintendent of Police, Hojai.
- 2. The Chief Executive Officer, Hojai Zilla Parishad.
- 3. The Additional District Magistrate (All), Hojai.
- 4. The Executive Magistrate (All), Hojai.
- 5. All Officer In-Charges of Police Station under Hojai district.
- 6. The DIPRO, Hojai.
- 7. The District Informatics Officer, NIC, Hojai.

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