

**Government of Bihar**  
**Home Department(Special Branch)**

**Order**

Order No.-C/C.I.Misc-4013/2017- **01** Home Deptt. Cont. Room/ Patna, Dated-17.06. 2022

**Sub:- Stoppage of transmission of message through various Social Networking Sites and Instant messaging Service in Kaimur, Bhojpur, Aurangabad, Rohtas, Buxer, Nawada, West Champaran, Samastipur, Lakhisarai, Begusarai, Vaishali and Saran Districts from 17.06.2022 (14:00 hours) to 19.06.2022.**

Whereas, as per available inputs, and as reported by Addl. DGP (Law and Order) it is reasonably apprehended that some anti-social elements in **Kaimur, Bhojpur, Aurangabad, Rohtas, Buxer, Nawada, West Champaran, Samastipur, Lakhisarai, Begusarai, Vaishali and Saran** are using internet medium to transmit objectionable content in order to spread rumour at large with a view to inciting public and cause damage to life and property and disturb peace and tranquillity; and

2. Whereas, it is felt that misuse of social networking sites and instant Messaging Services is likely to be detrimental to the interests of peace and tranquillity in **Kaimur, Bhojpur, Aurangabad, Rohtas, Buxer, Nawada, West Champaran, Samastipur, Lakhisarai, Begusarai, Vaishali and Saran Districts** and

3. Whereas, Section 5 of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 read with Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017 inter-alia, confers powers upon the Central government or the State Government to take possession of licensed telegraphs and order stoppage of transmission or interception or detention of messages.

4. Now, therefore, in the interest of maintenance of public order, I, **Chaitanya Prasad, Additional Chief Secretary, Home Department, Government of Bihar**, in exercise of powers conferred by sub-section (2) of section 5 of the Indian Telegraph Act, 1885 read with the Temporary Suspension of Telecom Services (Public Emergency or Public Safety) Rules, 2017 hereby direct all Internet service Providers (ISPs), that any messages to or from any person or class of persons relating to any subject or any pictorial content through the following social networking sites or application shall not be transmitted in **Kaimur, Bhojpur, Aurangabad, Rohtas, Buxer, Nawada, West Champaran, Samastipur, Lakhisarai, Begusarai, Vaishali and Saran Districts** from **17.06.2022 (14:00 hours) to 19.06.2022.**

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| (i)    | Facebook  |
| (ii)   | Twitter   |
| (iii)  | WhatsApp  |
| (iv)   | QQ        |
| (v)    | WeChat    |
| (vi)   | Qzone     |
| (vii)  | Tumblr    |
| (viii) | Google+   |
| (ix)   | Baidu     |
| (x)    | Skype     |
| (xi)   | Viber     |
| (xii)  | Line      |
| (xiii) | Snapchat  |
| (xiv)  | Pinterest |

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- (xv) Telegram
- (xvi) Reddit
- (xvii) Snaptish
- (xviii) YouTube (upload)
- (xix) Vinc
- (xx) Xanga
- (xxi) Buaanet
- (xxii) Flickr
- (xxiii) other social networking sites meant for mass messaging.

5. This order shall not be applicable to government internet and intranet based services, such as BSWAN (Bihar State Wide Area Network), NICNet, NKN (National Knowledge Network), Bihar SecLAN, G-SWAN, Banking, Railways or any other government services.

6. Violation of the order shall be dealt with in accordance with the relevant provision of law.

Sd/-

**(Chaitanya Prasad)**

Additional Chief Secretary to the Government

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Copy to: Nodal Officers, All Internet Service Providers for necessary action.

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Copy to: 1. DGP, Bihar, Patna for information and necessary action.

2. ADG (L&O), Bihar, Patna for information and necessary action.

The order of suspension may urgently be conveyed to nodal officers of telegraph authority/ All Internet Service Provider and inform the department accordingly.

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Copy to: Divisional Commissioner, Patna, Magadh, Tirhut, Munger, Saran, Darbhanga /IG Police, Patna, Gaya, Muzaffarpur/ DIG Police, Shahabad, Darbhanga, Munger, Saran for information and necessary action.

2. DM/ SP, Kaimur, Bhojpur, Aurangabad, Rohtas, Buxer, Nawada, West Champaran, Samastipur, Lakhisarai, Begusarai, Vaishali and Saran Districts for information and necessary action.

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Copy to: Copy to Deputy Director General (TERM), DoT, 7<sup>th</sup> floor, Telephone Bhawan, R-Block, Patna-800001, Email ID- ddgtermbr-dot@nic.in/dirtermbr-dot@nic.in, Fax No.- 0612-2506009, Mob No.- 9430557715.

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