Respected people of Sikkim!

The human civilization today stands face to face with the challenge of the Corona Virus.

I urge the people of Sikkim to strictly comply with the guidelines issued by the state government as a precautionary measure to stop the spread of the Corona Virus.

From today, i.e the 25th Of March, 2020, the state government has declared a complete lock-down over the entire state of Sikkim.

This lock-down is not intended to paralyze the daily functions of the citizens, but at the moment, is the only measure to avoid further transmission and spread of this epidemic plaguing the globe. In view of the safety of the people, the state government has decided for a complete lock-down in Sikkim.

Social distancing, limiting physical human interactions in large groups and staying indoors is the only armor towards surviving the uncertain Corona Virus as of now. Hence, I request the people of the state to stay indoors and protect themselves.
Any out-of-state vehicle will not be allowed to enter Sikkim during the lock-down period which starts from tomorrow. Likewise, no vehicle from Sikkim will be allowed to cross the state borders.

I appeal to the people of Sikkim to stay indoors and minimize their and their society’s risk of transmitting the virus. There is nothing greater than the safety of the people of Sikkim and I request the people to stay indoors and refrain from meeting others unless absolutely necessary. Let us follow the concept of Social Distancing for the time being.

I urge the people of Sikkim to follow the basic but effective health standards of washing our hands frequently and keep ourselves and our surroundings clean. Let us cover our nose and mouth while coughing and sneezing and if anybody fears they have the symptoms of the virus, I request you to be a responsible citizen and kindly visit the nearest health centre and get yourself checked immediately. Kindly refrain from rumors and hearsays and contact the concerned officials for any clarifications on the matter.

The state government stands in ready assistance and solidarity with the people of Sikkim.

Protect yourselves so you can protect others.

Prem Singh Tamang (Golay)
Chief Minister
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