WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic and Government of India has directed State Government to take necessary steps to prevent and control the spread of this disease under the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897.


WHEREAS, several positive cases have been found in the city of Vadodara, and it is necessary in public interest to take adequate steps to stop further spread of the COVID-19.

AND WHEREAS, it has been observed in some studies that wearing of facial masks can reduce the spread of Corona virus substantially. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under Rule 11 of the said Regulations,

I, Nalin B. Upadhyay, Municipal Commissioner of Vadodara City in exercise of the said powers conferred upon me hereby direct to implement the following direction:

All persons when in a public place within the jurisdiction of Vadodara Municipal Corporation shall compulsorily wear masks or cover their mouth and nose with a handkerchief or other loose cloth tied properly around the mouth and nose.

A penalty of Rs.1000 will be levied on first time violations. All subsequent violations will attract a penalty of Rs.5000 in each case. Failure to pay penalty will attract prosecution under Section 188 of Indian Penal Code and provisions of the Epidemic Disease Act, 1897.

This order will be effective from 6 a.m. on 13th April, 2020 and continue to remain in force till further order.

Copy to:
1. Police Commissioner, Vadodara - for information and necessary action
2. All Deputy Municipal Commissioners, Vadodara
3. All Asstt. Municipal Commissioners, Vadodara
4. All HOD’s