

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

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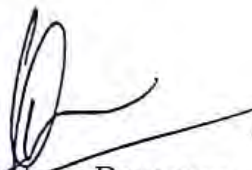
The Government of Puducherry is taking all possible measures to ensure smooth supply of essential commodities and services during the lock down period effective from 25.03.2020. In order to facilitate unhindered movement of essentials commodities and services namely, food grains, groceries, fruits / vegetables, medicines / medical supplies, agricultural inputs etc., the District administration has launched an e-Pass system, wherein the persons dealing with the essential commodities and services can apply for e-Pass through the dedicated WhatsApp numbers of respective departments as detailed below. The departments concerned would digitally process the applications through a web application devised for this purpose, generate digital pass and issue them through WhatsApp itself immediately after basic scrutiny.

Department	WhatsApp number	Goods/Services category
District Collectorate, Puducherry	94448 60663	Manufacturing/Industry, Volunteers, Inter-state movement of goods & services and all other passes
Health & Family Welfare	94432 20339	Wholesale and Retail traders in pharmaceuticals and medical supplies
Civil Supplies	89031 41015	Wholesale and Retail traders in groceries and provisions
Oulgaret Municipality	90039 63996	Wholesale and Retail traders in fruits and vegetables
Puducherry Municipality	94425 42277	Wholesale and Retail traders in fruits and vegetables
Agriculture	94898 16998	Traders in agricultural inputs
Animal Husbandry	94434 27205	Traders in animal feeds etc.
Information & Publicity	99440 60668	Media persons
District Collectorate, Karaikal	88702 95044	Karaikal region (All category Passes)
Regional Administrator, Mahe	85250 13771	Mahe region (All category Passes)
Regional Administrator, Yanam	90320 93583	Yanam region (All category Passes)

The person requiring this non-transferable and individual specific e-Pass shall apply in the aforementioned WhatsApp numbers with the following mandatory details:

1. Name
2. Type of service/goods
3. Name of office/organisation/store
4. Time : From_____ To_____
5. Travel route
6. Vehicle type
7. Vehicle Regn. No.
8. Mobile No.
9. Photo ID (Aadhar / Voter ID / Driving Licence etc.) No.

The e-pass system would not only ensure objective of social distancing but shall also ensure that only authorised persons dealing with essential commodities and services have valid permission. The web application was launched for the entire U.T. of Puducherry by the Secretary to Govt. (Revenue)-cum-District Collector, Puducherry in the presence of Senior Superintendent of Police (L&O), Sub-Collector (South), Deputy Collector (North), line department officials, representatives of Confederation of Indian Industry, Puducherry Traders Federation, Puducherry Chemists and Druggists Welfare Association among others.


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