

GOVERNMENT OF MAHARASTRA

**Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Protection Department
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Mantralaya Annex, Mumbai 400 032.**

Dated: 04th January, 2019.

ORDER

Essential Commodities Act,1955

No.Petrol-2019/C.R.5/C.S.27.-- Whereas Employees of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. in non-management cadre are being exhorted by their union viz. Bharat Petroleum Corporation (Refinery) Employees Union (BPCREU), Petroleum Workmen's Union (PWU) and Bharat Petroleum Technical and Non-Technical Employees Association (BPTNTEA) to proceed on strike of 2 days i.e. on 8th and 9th January, 2019 for their various demands which will lead to disruption of supply and distribution of Petroleum Products such as LPG, Petrol, Diesel, Kerosene etc. and will also cause great hardship & inconvenience to General Public at large during the period of strike.

Whereas for maintaining the supplies of Essential Commodities as defined in sub-section (viii) of section 2 of the Essential Commodities Act,1955 (10 of 1955), as amended by the Essential Commodities (Amendment) Act, 2006 (54 of 2006) which came into force on 12th February, 2007 and for securing their equitable distribution and availability at sales outlets, it is necessary for the Government to declare the above acts of Bharat Petroleum Corporation (Refinery) Employees Union (BPCREU), Petroleum Workmen's Union (PWU) and Bharat Petroleum Technical and Non-Technical Employees Association (BPTNTEA) as prejudicial to the supply, storage and distribution of Essential Commodities (Petroleum Products) such as LPG, Petrol, Diesel, Kerosene etc. and as an offence under the Essential Commodities Act,1955.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (2)(d)(e) of section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act,1955 (10 of 1955), the Government of Maharashtra hereby declares the following act or acts done by an individual or group of individuals of Bharat Petroleum Corporation (Refinery) Employees Union (BPCREU), Petroleum Workmen's Union (PWU) and Bharat Petroleum Technical and Non-Technical Employees Association (BPTNTEA) as an offence under the Essential Commodities Act,1955.

“Obstruction or interruption caused by any direct or indirect means in the process or to a person engaged in the process of production, storage, transportation and sale of petroleum and petroleum products such as LPG Petrol, diesel, Kerosene etc. notified as essential commodities by Government of India.”

This order shall come into force on 8th January, 2019 and 9th January, 2019 i.e. on the day of strike of employees of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Ltd. in non-management cadre.

By Order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Charushila Tambekar)

Joint Secretary

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