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GANGTOK

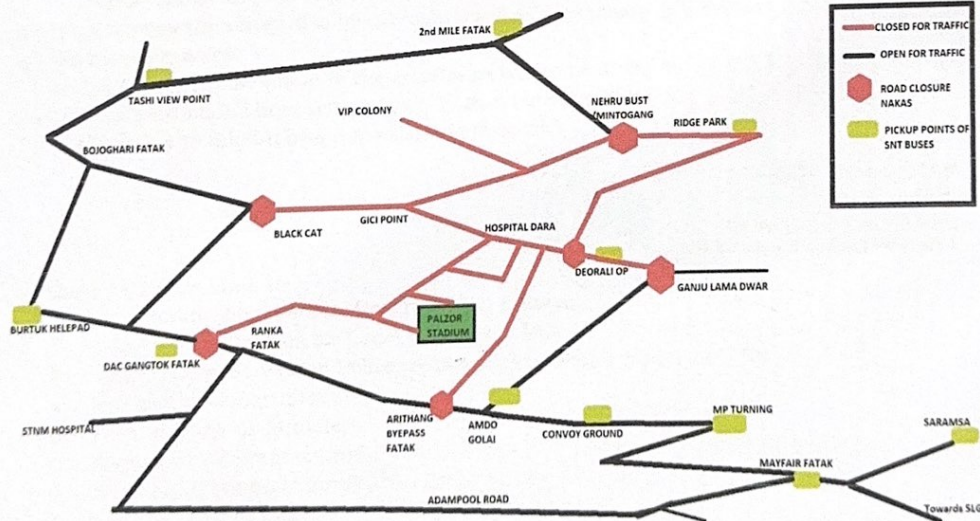
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**ADVISORY**

Consequent to the scheduled visit of His Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama to Sikkim, w.e.f 11<sup>th</sup> of December to the 14<sup>th</sup> of December, 2023, the following directions are hereby issued for averting any public inconvenience and for ensuring successful conduct of the one day religious teaching on the **37 practices of Bodhisattva (Laklen Sodunma) and Ceremony for Generating Bodhichitta (Semkye)**, on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2023, which is to be held in the revered presence of His Holiness at Paljor Stadium :-

1. All Entry Gates of the venue that is Paljor Stadium will be kept open from 3.00 am to 7.00 am.
2. Gangtok area leading upto Paljor Stadium will be a Traffic Free Zone from 4:00 am to 01:00 pm on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, 2023. Departure of Tourist vehicles from Gangtok on this day shall be permitted till 6.00 am. Vehicles on official exigency duty pertaining to the visit of His Holiness and emergency vehicles like Fire and Ambulance services shall be exempted.
3. The general public residing around the surrounding areas of Gangtok are urged to traverse the venue on foot.
4. The market area of Gangtok shall remain closed till 12.00 noon on 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2023, except for eatery outlets and pharmacy which shall remain open throughout.
5. The traffic route drawn by the Police Authorities and the pick-up points detailed by the Transport Department for the shuttle Bus Service for the 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2023 as demonstrated below is to be referred by the public for conveyance purpose :-



**Traffic Closure Points**

1. Ganju Lama Dwar
2. Black Cat Fatak
3. Mintogang Fatak
4. DAC Fatak
5. Arithang Bypass Fatak
6. Rinzing Ongmu Point



### Bus Pick up Points

PICK UP POINT	PARKING AREA	Average Time to SNT	No of Buses
Tashi View Point	North Highway - Ganesh Tok	30 mins	20
Ridge Park	Secretariat- Bhanu Path Road	10 mins	5
District Administrative Centre, Gangtok	Private parking area / DAC	40 mins	15
Deorali Outpost	People to come walking from nearby areas	20 mins	15
Amdo Golai	Bye Pass Road	30 mins	10
Convoy Ground	People to come walking from nearby areas	35 mins	10
Manipal	People to come walking from nearby areas	45 mins	40
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6. Carrying of single use disposable plastic water bottles inside the venue is prohibited, except for thermos flasks for hot water and tea. Carrying of light and dry food items will be permitted.
7. The seating arrangement drawn by the Police Authorities for the venue, is to be strictly adhered to.
8. A collection point will be set up before the Tourist Information Centre, M.G.Marg, District Control Room, for the general public who desire to present offering to His Holiness.
9. For the convenience of the public who are unable to access the venue due to spill over, live telecast of the entire religious ceremony scheduled for the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, 2023, will be broadcasted at Chintan Bhawan and at M.G.Marg.
10. Exit of the venue is to be in a staggered manner in order to prevent any rush and commotion.
11. In view of the visit, permits for Tsomgo and Nathula will be suspended on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December, 2023.

The public at large is requested to adhere to the Advisory in letter and spirit. Further, thorough cooperation may also be extended to the Government Officials on duty and the law enforcement agencies.

An appeal is also made to the general public to bear the inconvenience caused due to the interim restrictions imposed, in order to translate the auspicious visit of His Holiness the 14<sup>th</sup> Dalai Lama to Sikkim into a resounding success.



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