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HOME (SPECIAL SECTION) DEPARTMENT

ORDER

The 9th February 2016

**S. R. O. No. 97/2016**—Whereas the State Government are satisfied that in the interest of public, it is necessary to prohibit strikes in the form of cessation of work by the workers engaged in emergency Medical Ambulance Service run by the Government either by itself or through an agency engaged for this purpose, so that the healthcare delivery system in the State is not affected/disrupted.

Whereas as per Section 2 (b) of the Act, strike means the cessation of work by a body of persons employed/engaged in any essential service acting in combination or a concerted refusal or a refusal under a common understanding of any number of persons who are or have been so employed/engaged to continue to work or to accept employment and includes unauthorized absence from duty in pursuance of a common understanding among the persons who unauthorizedly absent themselves from duty or under the direction of an other person or persons.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 3 read with Section 2 of the Odisha Essential Services (Maintenance) Act, 1988 (Odisha Act, 9 of 1992), the State Government do hereby prohibit strikes by the workers/crew members engaged for running of the Emergency Medical Ambulance Service run by Government either by itself or through agency including 108/102 Ambulance Services. The order shall remain in force for a period of six months from the date of issue of the order.

[ No. 328—C. ]

By order of the Governor

LALIT DAS

Special Secretary to Government