



No Azaan, Cops Tell Muslims; But Delhi Police Says There's No Ban

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“There will be no Azaan. This is the order from the LG.”

A video where two policemen from Delhi's Prem Nagar police station are telling people that Azaan is banned, has gone viral social media. This is at a time when the holy month of Ramzan is set to begin from 25 April.

Delhi Deputy Chief Minister Manish Sisodia, Delhi Lieutenant Governor Anil Bajjal and the Delhi police clarified that no such order has been passed. The Delhi Police DPO Anil Mittal also said that an



Some constables from Delhi Prem Nagar police station came to the area. Do not give Azan to the Imam of the mosque. People said, "Let me see the order," said the constable. This is the ruling of LG Sahab. Now there was no hope from the government. #Islamophobia_In_India #india
pic.twitter.com/0GU1TYpP6W

— Abdul Mujeeb (@abdulmujeebmse1) April 24, 2020

These cops can be seen having a heated discussion with the locals of the area in the video. When the locals ask the policemen what this order is, they can be heard telling saying, "Do not argue with me, go and see the LG's orders in the Prem Nagar police station. There is no point in arguing with me."

Delhi Police Says, 'Azaan to be Carried Out Within NGT Guidelines'

A tweet by the Delhi police from 1:00 am on 24 April clearly states that Azaan may be carried out in accordance with NGT guidelines.

Important Information. pic.twitter.com/wCXgaWIqoX

— #DilKiPolice Delhi Police (@DelhiPolice) April 24, 2020

Delhi deputy chief minister Manish Sisodia also put out a tweet clarifying the matter, he said, "There is no restriction for Azaan. In lockdown, there is complete ban on gathering of people for prayers in mosques or for worship etc. at any other religious place." Delhi LG did the same, he tweeted, "Delhi police has already communicated that no such instructions have been given and has clarified the same in their advisory."

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<https://t.co/OxYGiqIrR>

— Manish Sisodia (@msisodia) April 24, 2020

It has come to notice that a video has been circulating in social media regarding instructions being given for not reciting azaan by Police. @DelhiPolice has already communicated that no such instructions have been given and has clarified the same in their advisory.

Delhi Police Launches Inquiry

The Quint also spoke to Delhi Police PRO, Anil Mittal, regarding the video that has emerged, Mittal said, "These cops are being identified and an official DCP-level inquiry has been launched into the matter. With the month Ramzan starting on 25 April, people must offer Namaaz and have Sehri at home."




In the run-up to Ramzan, the representatives of all schools of thought within Muslims issued an appeal urging people to pray and have Sehri and Iftar at home and not try to go to mosques. These guidelines were followed even during Shab-e-Baraat a couple of weeks ago.

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