

Shops, factories sealed over SOPs violation in Faisalabad

FAISALABAD: As many as 1541 shops, 48 industries and 3765 transports have been sealed in the district for violating SOPs in the last 11 days while Rs 5451700 was fined to the shopkeepers for non-compliance, fines of 13776 vehicles and warning was issued to 3980 for minor complaints.

Divisional Commissioner Ishrat Ali, RPO Raja Riffat Mukhtar and Deputy Commissioner Muhammad Ali alongwith Pak Army officer visited city and checked SOPs implementation. They went Katchahri Bazar, Clock Tower Chowk, Satyana Road, Jaranwala Road, Susan Road and other areas.

Divisional Commissioner said action was being taken against shops, markets, shopping malls and restaurants for not maintaining social distancing, unavailability of sanitizer and not using face masks by shopkeepers while more stringent action was being taken against them for breaking the seal. He expressed displeasure over huge rush on mobile shops in Katchahri Bazar and said no one would be allow to do business without adopting SOPs.

RPO asked police officials to ensure strict implement on law and take action against violators. Deputy Commissioner said the administrative officers, including assistant commissioners are taking action on the violation in shops while vendors are also being urged to make sure there should not be rush in premises.

He said the Punjab government has issued instructions to the administration and police to strictly implement the SOPs issued regarding Covid-19 and action will not be avoided in accordance with the law on violation. He said no one will be allowed to take undue advantage of the easing lockdown and in the current situation everyone has to show caution and responsibility.