Health Advisory due to COVID-19

1. World Health Organization (WHO) has declared the recent Novel Coronavirus, COVID-19 as Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC) which has affected 157 countries/territories including India till date. WHO on 11th March 2020 has characterized COVID-19 as a Pandemic. COVID-19 has been declared as disaster by the NDMA.

2. India has recorded 151 cases and 3 deaths, where as the state has so far recorded 14 confirmed cases and 1 death.

3. Karnataka has all along taken possible measures to strengthen the surveillance and containment against the possible spread of disease. In this connection the following additional measures in the form of advisory is being issued for the information of general public in order to contain the spread of Novel Coronavirus.

   1. The public are advised to maintain “social distancing” to the extent possible to avoid gathering which may become conducive for easy spread of infection, if any to the healthy people.

   2. It is also advised to avoid restaurants and sit in eateries to limit the public contact. Instead the food may be obtained from the eateries through suppliers like Zomoto, Swiggy, Freshmenu, Ubereats etc., through online booking. The food packet may be asked to be delivered at the reception gate of apartment buildings / gated community so that social distance is maintained.

   3. The health of the house maid / house keeping persons visiting the house for cleaning, cooking etc., may also be maintained at optimal level in order to limit the spread of infection of Novel Coronavirus.

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