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COMMISSIONERATE

Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services
AnandaRao Circle, Bangalore-09



No: DD/SSU/Novel Coronavirus/17/2019-20

Date: 15.03.2020

OFFICE ORDER

Subject: Recast Quarantine guidelines.

Reference: Proceedings of the meeting chaired by Hon'ble Chief Minister
on 13.3.2020 regarding COVID 19.

In view of COVID-19 pandemic and reporting of confirmed cases in India, thorough surveillance activities, traveler tracing and follow up is already in place in Karnataka.

In the meeting of Hon'ble Chief Minister cited in the reference, it was pointed out that Government of India has mandated compulsory home isolation only for passengers from 12 heavy COVID-19 incidence countries. However, all the positive cases in Karnataka are from other countries. Therefore, it was decided to do universal home isolation for all asymptomatic passengers for a period of 14 days. *The guidelines issued on dated 13.03.2020 are further developed by adding point No.3. Hence the recast order:*

All international travelers from COVID-19 affected countries arriving in the state of Karnataka (either by air or sea) in last 14 days have to do the following:

- 1) In case the person is *asymptomatic*, then he/she shall go for home isolation as per the guidelines laid down by Government of India (www.idsp.nic.in, COVID 19 link) for a period of 14 days from the date of arrival in India. During the period of home isolation, they shall call tollfree 104 – Arogya Sahayavani twice in a day (forenoon and evening) and keep on informing about their medical condition.

After 14 days of home-isolation, for another 14 days, they shall be in "Reporting period" where they should report to 104 – Arogya Sahayavani once in a day regarding their health status.

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- 2) In case the passengers are *symptomatic* (fever, cough, sore throat, running nose, breathing difficulty, etc.,) they shall be taken to the isolation wards of identified hospitals by the department for drawing samples and necessary medical follow up as per protocols.
- 3) *The symptomatic person whose sample is drawn in the designated hospital by the department will be a suspect by case definition and not allowed to go to his place. He will be immediately hospitalized in the designated hospital under close medical observation till the results of the sample is obtained for taking further action.*

All the officers concerned with the COVID 19 screening and follow up are requested to take a note of this and insist on passengers to cooperate and help in combating COVID 19 successfully.


16.3.20
Commissioner

H&FWS, Bengaluru

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2. Chief Executive Officers of all the Zilla Panchayat.
3. Director of Health Services & Medical Education.
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6. All District Surgeons.
7. All Superintendent of Medical College Hospitals.
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9. All the District Nodal Officers of the DHS.
10. All the Program Officers, DH&FWS.

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