GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH HEALTH MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

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COVID Instant Order 52

Sub: HM&FW – Guidelines for testing of travelers / migrants – Modification orders – issued

Since movement of Trains, Flights including domestic & international and Buses have started, there is a likelihood of huge number of travelers coming through Road, Train & Air into Andhra Pradesh. Due to the evolving situation, the following orders are given in addition to the orders issued regarding movement of persons coming from outside the state:

1.Screening of the passengers:

Screening for COVID for all passengers coming by Air, Train and Bus is mandatory at the disembarkation points that is at Airports Railway stations and at Road Check posts.

A)During screening the following shall be measured:

- 1)Temperature shall be measured with contactless thermometers
- 2) SpO2 using pulse oximeters
- 3) Physical examination without contact for any covid like symptoms
- B)During such screening and when present in the disembarkation point every one should
 - 1)Use Hand sanitizer frequently during travel and when in Airports Railway Stations Bus stations Check posts and Reception centers
 - 2)All passengers shall be wearing masks at all times during travel and during checkup and when in Airport, Railway station and at check posts and reception centres

C)All staff on duty shall be wearing protective equipment like mask and use hand sanitizer frequently.

The airports railway station and check posts shall be sanitized frequently.

The staff on duty shall also be tested periodically for covid. Staff includes Health Police Transport, Railway, Revenue, Emigration, Customs and Security and all those who handle the passengers.

2. Persons who are allowed to enter the state:

- Those required to return to Andhra Pradesh due to death of a family member
- Those facing medical emergency / treatment for terminal illness

- Pregnant women / Elderly persons
- Migrant workers / labourers who have been laid off
- Students if their educational institutions / hostels have been closed
- Tourist / pilgrims stranded due to lockdown
- Those returning to Andhra Pradesh from abroad
- Businessmen coming to Andhra Pradesh for urgent business purposes
- · Government officials on official work
- Medical professionals including paramedics for attending their duties.

The above persons have to necessarily enroll themselves in spandana portal of AP Government and obtain pre approval before starting their journey. The Airlines, Railway authorities and other ticket issuing authorities must satisfy themselves that such approval is obtained before tickets are issued.

3)Domestic passengers:

There shall be two different classes of persons among the above allowed domestic passengers:

- (1) Persons coming from High Risk areas
- (2) Persons coming from other areas.

1)Persons coming from High Risk Areas are those travelling from

- Maharasthra
- Gujarat
- Delhi
- Chennai
- Madhya pradesh and
- Rajasthan

Procedure to be followed for those persons coming from high risk areas:

i. For symptomatic persons coming from high risk areas:

After screening all symptomatic persons shall be transported to the nearest quarantine facility at the entry point and shall be tested and after spending of seven days they shall be tested again and if they are found Negative, they shall be sent to Home Quarantine for completing the rest of seven days in Home Quarantine. If they test positive, they shall be transferred to the COVID Hospital or COVID Care Center as the case may be.

ii. For asymptomatic persons coming from high risk areas:

They shall be subject to Institutional Quarantine in their own districts after transfer to the district and shall be tested and after completion of seven days, they shall be tested again. If they are found negative, they shall be sent to Home Quarantine for completion of seven days. If they are found

positive, they shall be sent to COVID Hospital or COVID Care Center as the case may be.

However, the following categories of people shall be directly sent to home quarantine :

- Persons above the age of 60 years
- Pregnant and Lactating mothers
- Children below the age of 10 years
- Persons suffering with terminally ill patients like Cancer, Chronic, Kidney Disease, Stroke etc.,

Exemption can be given for business persons from Home Quarantine subject to they providing COVID negative certificate issued by ICMR authorized laboratory within the last three days of arrival of such businessmen. if businessmen doesn't have negative certificate his/her swab shall be collected and sent for testing and he/she shall be put in paid quarantine facility till the results are obtained. Once negative results are obtained the business person shall be allowed to attend his/her engagements and return back.

III. For Persons coming from other Areas:

For persons coming from low risk areas, their swab shall be collected at the entry point, then they shall be sent for Home Quarantine. If their test results come positive they shall be shifted from Home Quarantine to COVID Hospital or COVID Care Center as the case may be, If home quarantine for further period is not practicable.

International passengers:

After screening all symptomatic persons shall be transported to the nearest quarantine facility at the entry point and shall be tested and after spending of seven days they shall be tested again and if they are found Negative, they shall be sent to Home Quarantine for completing the rest of seven days in Home Quarantine. If they test positive, they shall be transferred to the COVID Hospital or COVID Care Center as the case may be. For Asymptomatic passengers returning from high incidence areas like the middle east, Institutional Quarantine period is 14 days.

All asymptomatic passengers shall be subject to Institutional Quarantine in their own districts after transfer to the district and shall be tested and after completion of seven days, they shall be tested again. If they are found negative, they shall be sent to Home Quarantine for completion of seven days. If they are found positive, they shall be sent to COVID Hospital or COVID Care Center as the case may be.

However, the following categories of people shall be directly sent to home quarantine among international passengers:

- Persons above the age of 60 years
- Pregnant and Lactating mothers
- Children below the age of 10 years
- Persons suffering with terminally ill patients like Cancer, Chronic, Kidney Disease, Stroke etc.,

Strict Enforcement of the Home Quarantine:

The persons in home quarantine shall be strictly monitored. They shall be visited every day by the ANM of the area and their health conditions shall be checked. The details of such visit shall be recorded in the ANM -APHEALTH app every day. ANM with the help of Village / Ward Volunteer, ASHA and Secretariat ANM shall observe any new persons entering Village / Ward. Those persons arriving in the village/ward, are not entered in the Home Quarantine Database, they may be entered in the App and monitored regularly. The details of the Home quarantined persons shall also be shared electronically to the police station concerned through the QMS AP Police App. The persons in quarantine shall also be checked every day for compliance by the SHO everyday and any deviation be brought to the notice of the higher authorities.

The above orders may be strictly enforced.

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