GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH HEALTH MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Order No. 64/COVID-19/HM&FW/2020, Date: 12.07.2020

COVID INSTANT ORDER – 64

Sub:- HM&FW – COVID-19 - Quarantine Policy relating to handling of people coming to AP – Orders – Issued - Reg.

Ref:- Minutes of Meeting held on 7.7.2020 by Spl. CS, HM&FW Dept., Govt of AP.

The District Collectors are requesting to review the policy of the Quarantine so as to focus more on Home Quarantine as a strategy. Target people/groups to be quarantined need to be re-examined and proper facilities have to be made available to the persons so quarantined.

In the earlier categorization of high risk areas, Telangana and Karnataka were put in low risk States. However as seen from the latest statistics, the infection rate in Telangana and Karnataka States is on rise and they are also categorised as high risk areas. Hence the following orders are issued.

I. PEOPLE COMING BY AIR:

a. **International Air Travel**: in view of the MoHA guidelines the institutional quarantine is compulsory for the foreign returnees for a period of seven (7) days. As of now the people from Gulf Countries are quarantined for fourteen (14) days. It is directed to have uniform institutional quarantine of 07 days for all foreign returnees.

Test may be conducted between the 5th and 7th day and based on the test result follow up action to be initiated as per the COVID Instant Order – 52.

b. Domestic Air Travel: it is directed to test randomly 10% of the people basing on selection of seat numbers and preference to people of more than 60 years age and children of less than 10 years coming by domestic air mode by taking test swab at airports itself and allowing home quarantine for 14 days.

II. PEOPLE COMING BY TRAIN:

It is directed to take test swab for 10% of the passengers coming by trains. The test as far as possible need to be arranged near railway station in the mobile buses for swab collection. The electronic manifest of passengers is to be collected and kept as record for reference. In case the random test show positive, further action will be initiated as per existing health protocol. All persons must undergo home Quarantine for 14 days.

III. PEOPLE COMING BY ROAD:

It is directed to take test swabs for 10% of people coming from other States at the Border Check Posts. However, all the persons coming from other States may be advised strict home quarantine for 14 days.

The details of the passengers coming by domestic flights and by road through inter State border check points is to be captured 100% using the QR code on the e-pass using smart phones available with the personnel manning such facilities. In case of some person coming without e-pass, the details are to be captured in SPANDANA portal without fail.

Tracking of the persons whose details are captured at the point of entry – Border Check Post/Airport/Railway Station and made available in MSS portal is attached to the Local ward secretariat / Village Secretariat and PHC Medical Officer for supervision of home quarantine. Based on the test results persons identified positive may be shifted to the COVID Hospitals and COVID Care Centers depending on the necessity and examination by the Medical Officer. The ASHA and Ward / Village Volunteer shall inspect the Home Quarantined persons every day and record same in the GSWS App. The ANM shall inspect once in a week and record same in ANM-App.

Further it is directed that:

- 1. Admission in the Quarantine Centers may be strictly restricted to Primary Contacts of Positive case who cannot maintain home quarantine.
- 2. Those primary contacts who can maintain home quarantine for 14 days may be permitted for the same based on the assessment of the facilities at home by medical officer.

Special Chief Secretary to Government

To All the Collector & District Magistrates All the DM&HOs in the State.