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D.O No. 11034/01/2020-IS-IV

Dear Chief Secretary,

Date: 28th March 2020
Chief Secretary
Jharkhand, Ranchi

I am writing in continuation to my DO letter of even number dated 27th March 2020, and our continuous discussion regarding the problem of migrant workers/pilgrims etc. who are returning to their domicile states or trying to do so during this lockdown period. I appreciate the efforts being made by all the States and Union Territories. However given the number of people on the roads, we face a mammoth challenge. While we are establishing relief camps and making arrangement for food etc., I would like to once again reiterate that it is imperative that the information in this regard is disseminated effectively to these vulnerable groups. This is important so that they get a sense of security.

2. Public address systems and all other means of communication, including through volunteers, NGOs and technology, should be extensively used to disseminate precise information on the location of the relief camps and the facilities being made available, in their language. They may also be made aware of the relief package under the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Yojana and measures being taken by the State Government/ UT Administration. This will stem their flow and encourage people to desist from moving. As some people are moving on highways, setting up of tented accommodation could also be considered along the highways, so that they can easily move into these shelters.

3. While setting up temporary shelters, care must be taken to ensure that these persons will stay in the relief camps till the lockdown orders are in place. Further the shelters are to be organised, keeping in view various precautions including social distancing.

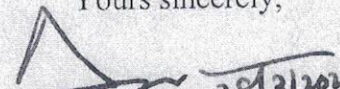
4. Medical check up drives should also be conducted in these camps in order to separate cases requiring quarantine or hospitalisation.

5. MHA vide MHA letter no. 33-04/2020-NDM-I dated 28th March, 2020 has also authorised the use of the State Disaster Response Fund for providing such relief measures.

6. I am sure, with these additional measures, we may able to convince the migrant workers and homeless people to stay back where they are and wherever required, in the relief camps set up by the State/District administration.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Ajay Kumar Bhalla) 28/3/2020

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