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Ministry of Home Affairs
National Disaster Management Authority

No. 1-137/2018-Mit.1 dated 29th March, 2020

Addl. Chief Secy Home, Jai
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To
Chief Secretaries of all States/ Administrators of UTs

Sub: Firm measures to combat Covid-19

Sir,
It is seen that despite efforts to ensure full compliance to the Government Orders vide No. 40-3/2020-DM-1(A) dated 24th March, 2020, some labourers/ pilgrims could not be retained where they were. Reports regarding movement of such persons across different States are being received. It is to be noted that significantly large number of persons in similar category have been successfully retained in different States, by combined efforts of risk communication, ensuring that the employer does not deduct or defer the pay or wages, ensuring that the landlord does not vacate or demand rent during this hour of distress etc. It is therefore cautioned that a few deviations should not be allowed to be a cause for dilution of the efforts of authorities who have ensured compliance in large cases. In view of this, it is reiterated that the people in these categories must be looked after, while maintaining physical distance of at least one metre from one another, in temporary shelters. They must be got medically examined and the persons requiring separate treatment must be dealt with as required.

2. In order to ensure that the basic objective of the national social distancing order is not defeated and in order to reduce risk of virus transmission, it is requested that the following measures must be taken in respect of those migrant labourers or pilgrims who have already arrived from other States to your State.

- District Administration must use public address system and communicate with these persons regarding steps being taken by the administration for their welfare and regarding do's and don'ts to be followed. Visible police presence at all alighting points must be ensured.
 - Medical officers must be deployed to conduct screening of the arriving persons at identified locations so that all are covered without fail.
 - Those without any risk factors would be sent for quarantine, after explaining to them clearly and after noting their details including mobile phone numbers. Strict quarantine facilities of two weeks duration may be geared up accordingly at all the temporary shelters.
 - In the identified locations, NDMA guidelines on temporary shelters may be followed by treating these persons as disaster-affected persons, by maintaining minimum physical distance of one metre between persons.
 - High risk persons will be dealt with as required as per their medical condition.
 - A firm system of tracking the well being of all the migrant labourers or pilgrims who have arrived from other States must be put in place, while taking care to avoid stigma or ill-feeling.
3. No further migration be permitted and the existing orders be implemented strictly.
4. Action taken may be intimated.

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