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Dear Chief Secretary,

As you are aware, Government has allowed the movement of migrant workers by buses and 'Shramik' special trains to enable them to travel to their native places. To capture the information regarding movement of migrants and facilitate the smooth movement of stranded persons across States, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) has developed an online Dashboard namely, National Migrant Information System (NMIS), on the existing NDMA-GIS portal.

2. The portal will maintain a central repository and help the sending as well as receiving State/ district to ask for and give their acceptance in an online format seamlessly. This system will help in speedy communication between states without creating additional work at the level of the field officers. It has additional advantages like contact tracing, which may be useful in overall COVID response work. A brief note on NMIS is enclosed. Some of key features of the system include the following:

- States can upload batch file of individual data on the portal. As many States have already collected migrant data, this can be integrated through Application Programming Interface (API).
- The key data pertaining to the persons migrating has been standardized for uploading such as name, age, mobile no, originating & destination district, date of travel etc which States are already collecting.
- States will be able to visualize how many people are going out from where and how many are reaching destination states.
- The mobile numbers of people can be used for contact tracing and movement monitoring during COVID-19.
- A unique ID is generated for each migrant, which can be used for all transactions.
- GOI nodal Ministries can also monitor the movement of migrants through this portal.

3. I urge upon you to use the online portal NMIS for capturing the information on movement of migrants and for better inter-State co-ordination.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

*(Ajay Bhalla)*  
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To

The Chief Secretaries of all States

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people are going out from where and how many are reaching where. Accordingly, they will be able to know about logistic requirement.

- The mobile numbers of people can be used for contact tracing and movement monitoring during Covid 19
- The movement of trains will be subject to consent of destination states taking in to account the quarantine capacity, logistical requirement for further travel etc. When the origin and destination states agree on number of people and dates, Railways will book the trains.
- Each migrant is generated unique ID, which can be used for all transactions. The IDs of people moving by a particular train will be given to Railways by the Origin State, when giving the requisition of trains. In this way the data will be visible to destination states too and can be used for further monitoring.
- It may be noted that the system may not require any substantive additional work on part of the field officials. It will also not take away the governance power from the State Government, within the overall guidelines of MHA.

Key features of NMIS include the following, among others:

- Standardized Data Model with proper State & District ID
- Auto-generation of Unique ID for each Request
- Auto-generation of Unique ID for Passengers
- Validation Checks for State ID, District ID, Name, Mobile, Age
- Auto-population of Dates in Approval Workflow
- Dropdown Selection wherever possible
- Capturing data creator ID details with Date/time in an automated way for validation
- Table View with Export option
- Messages for incorrect data

### 3. Activities for States

The states have to undertake the following activities for smooth working of the National Migrant Information System

- i. Deputation of a nodal officer for this purpose at State and district level
- ii. Smooth flow of the data from the states to NMIS portal in the requisite data formats
- iii. Sharing of data using online portals/through API in cases where, the States have their own online platform

### 4. Benefits:

1. Destination states can plan their logistics much more effectively. They will have exact numbers with details before the migrants arrive.
2. Origin states will also have all the data at one place for transportation as well as future planning.

## Data requirement from states:

<b>Sr. No.</b>
<b>Name</b>
<b>Unique id number (To be Generated by NDMA System)</b>
<b>Mobile number</b>
<b>Aadhaar Number</b>
<b>Age</b>
<b>Sex</b>
<b>Whether Migrant Labour, student, tourist, pilgrim etc</b>
<b>Current Address</b>
<b>Origin State</b>
<b>Origin District</b>
<b>Residential/permanent Address</b>
<b>Destination State</b>
<b>Destination district</b>
<b>States on the route (in case of bus journey)</b>
<b>Mode of transportation</b>
<b>Bus / Train Number</b>
<b>Date of journey</b>
<b>Coach Number, in case of Train</b>
<b>Expected date and time to reach destination</b>

## Note:

For bus journey, the data in red colour will be provided by Origin state  
 For Train journey, the data in red colour will be provided by Railways.