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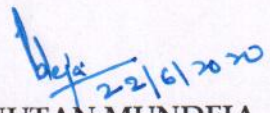
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SUB : REVISED DELHI COVID RESPONSE PLAN

In pursuance to the recommendations for strengthening COVID -19 Surveillance response in the National Capital Territory of Delhi ,received from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI, a revised Delhi COVID response plan has been worked up for implementation in NCT of Delhi .

This issues with the approval of competent authority.

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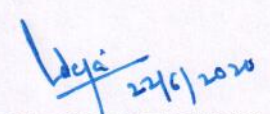
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3. District Surveillance Officers (All 11 Districts) - through respective CDMO.

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REVISED DELHI COVID RESPONSE PLAN

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The NCT of Delhi is witnessing a rising trend in number of cases of Covid-19 in the recent weeks. More than 2500 new cases and upto 75 deaths per day are being reported daily. A high level committee under the Chairmanship of Member NITI AYOg Prof V.K. Paul with Medical Director AIIMS and DG - ICMR along with inputs from NCDC has suggested a plan for kind consideration by Delhi Government. As per the recommendations of the committee a revised COVID plan as per following details is submitted as under:

1. Strengthening of the District level surveillance teams and oversight system

Currently the containment of COVID is monitored and facilitated by The District Task Force under the Chairmanship of District Magistrate. In line with the recommendations of the committee following personnel are being added to the said committee:

1. DCP Delhi Police
2. DC MCD
3. Epidemiologists presently available with MCD.
4. District Surveillance Officers
5. IT professional for Arogya Setu-ITI HAS solution
6. Members of faculty of partner medical colleges belonging to departments of P&SM, pre-clinical departments and pharmacology.
7. Education/youth departments (NCC, NSS etc)
8. Others

At the State level the State Task Force is being led by the Chief Minister

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2. Review and revamp the Containment Zone strategy

- Cases reported from containment zone represent only 19% of the cases, which implies the successful implementation of containment strategies in Delhi
- Epidemiological analysis of new cases shows that majority of cases are presenting as isolated sporadic cases and become cluster of cases.
- 45 % of the cases are showing features of clustering.
- Active case search in containment zones and vigorous contact tracing of COVID positive patients will be undertaken to analyze the reasons for clustering. Also the containment zones will be redefined in line with the guidelines of NCDC
- Active case search will be done in containment Zones. Testing of suspects will be augmented by universal application of Rapid Antigen Test. An Incident Command System/District level COVID Control Room lead by DM of the concerned district and technically assisted by a Senior Public Health Specialist deputed from either MCD (DHO) or Medical Colleges faculty with IT Support and manpower will be established at each DM office.
- AS per the recommendation of the Committee following shall be completed by 26.06.2020:
 - ✓ Assess the existing Containment Zoning plan and develop a revised zoning plan with adequate buffer zones as per MOHFW guidelines. A geographical area once declared as Containment zones shall follow the strict Containment (perimeter control) with active case search inside the Containment Zones and there shall be a sufficient surrounding buffer zone.
 - ✓ Covid positive patient or Cluster cases in the highly dense areas will be sent to the Covid Care Centres as per MoHFW guidelines.



- ✓ Deployment of enough teams for daily case search, testing and isolation.
- ✓ Physical distancing measures and prevention of Intermixing of the population inside the Containment zones by deployment of Police
- ✓ Strict perimeter control and absolute restriction of outward and inward movement of the population to be monitored by the Police.
- ✓ Arrangement for supplies of essential commodities inside the Containment Zones by the administration.
- ✓ Strict CCTV/ Drone monitoring to prohibit movement inside the CZ may be considered
- ✓ Imposing fine on those breaching the rules as is being done currently shall be further augmented
- ✓ Rapid antigen test which is currently being utilized for screening of population in the Containment Zones as per ICMR Guidelines shall be strictly followed. In addition to RT-PCR test for highly suspicious cases which test negative on Rapid antigen test. (with monitoring by Aarogya setu app in mobile)

3. Strengthening of Surveillance and Contact Tracing activities

The definition of High Risk and low risk contact to be followed as per MoHFW guidelines. To strengthen the contact tracing dedicated team shall be deployed at the DM office which will include tele callers to map the contacts and field teams to visit the contacts and put high risk contacts under quarantine.

- All symptomatic contacts and asymptomatic high risk contacts to be tested between 5th to 10th Day of contact as per guidelines
- Hiring of manpower or mobilizing resources to assist the DSOs for Contact Tracing of each positive case.
- Formation of containment zone around the house and work place of the COVID- 19 positive patient within 24 hours. Timely sharing of data of each contact (including mobile number unless

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there is none) to the District level and state level surveillance units

- Placement of travel movement information (flow chart) of the anonymised COVID-19 patient in the public domain as per recommendation of the committee will be explored
- It shall be ensured that , Arogya Setu App shall be downloaded by all, specially in containment zones. The possible hotspots shall be worked out which should be brought to the notice of District Collector every day for further action.

4. Using Arogya Setu and ITIHAS system cluster projection and response

As per the recommendation of the committee "Arogya Setu App coupled with ITIHAS system anchored by MeITY is capable of tracking movement of cases and contacts and projecting cluster development in 300 meter geography. The surveillance system will be guided by this innovative IT driven tool from the district and state level hubs. Adoption of Arogya Setu app will be promoted effectively. An identified team of Epidemiologist, District surveillance officer and the IT personnel, at the District level, shall be trained in coordination with NCDC to utilize the Arogya Setu and ITIHAS system for cluster projection and response"

Personnel with Orange status will be told to undertake Rapid antigen test to ensure an early diagnosis to contain the disease.

5. Sero-survey

A serological survey is already been planned with NCDC. State level and District level teams have been identified to coordinate the testing across the State as per the timelines identified by the Committee. Sero-survey will start on 27.06.2020 and shall be completed by 10.07.2020. A total of 20000 tests are planned to be done spread across all the districts, all sections and ages. DCs of the districts to be asked for effective coordination to sero-survey field teams.

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6. Infection prevention and care of Health Care Workers and other frontline workers

- To prevent infection, refresher training and refresher course on Infection Prevention and Control Practices for all Categories of Health Workers shall be undertaken periodically. Use of IT Plat form for the same will be explored.
- Periodic Health check-up, prophylactic use of HCQ as per MoHFW guidelines and screening for COVID 19 should be undertaken.
- Ginger Hotel & Tulip Hotel are dedicated COVID Care Centers for Health Care Workers. Setting up of such dedicated COVID care facilities for HCW will be further augmented as per need
- Suitable arrangements for hassle-free testing and treatment facilities with earmarking/ reservation of beds in Hospitals for Health Care Workers be further strengthened
- Antibody IgG testing by ELISA for all HCW involved in care of COVID patients.

7. Involvement of NGO, Civil Societies and Voluntary Organizations

To strengthen the process of monitoring of Home isolation and early diagnosis of the contacts NGO, civil societies & voluntary organization will be explored.

8. Enhanced IEC:

To increase the awareness amongst the citizens of Delhi, and to ensure their compliance to the strategies of the Government, IEC activities will be enhanced through Mass Media (Print and electronic

Media) and interpersonal communication. District teams will work at local level to increase awareness

The State is committed to augment the existing containment strategies within the provisional timelines as per following details

- Revised Delhi COVID response plan 22.06.2020
- Setting up of District teams: 23.06.2020
- Review and redesigning of Containment Zones: 26.06.2020
- House to house screening & response in Containment zones: 30.06.2020
- House to house screening and response in rest of Delhi: 06.07.2020
- Sero-survey (NCDC) Start 27 06.2020; results 10.07.2020

