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# Guidance Note with Respect to Discharge from Quarantine Facility and Follow-up Action in the Community for

- 1. Quarantine Facility Incharge and Health Professionals
- 2. Quarantined People and their Family Members

### A. For the Quarantine Facility Incharge & Health Professionals at the Quarantine Facility:

- The final sample collection for all the travelers shall be taken up on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> day while being in the facility.
- 2. The samples shall be collected and sent to the designated laboratories.
- 3. The reports for the same shall be received latest by 16<sup>th</sup> /17<sup>th</sup> day in the facility from ICMR /GMC Guwahati
- 4. Based on the reports a decision can be taken to discharge the travelers.
- Discharge shall accordingly, if agreed to, will be done on the 18<sup>th</sup> day from the
  Quarantine facility. Quarantine facility Incharge shall accordingly intimate
  the travelers in advance for them to make arrangement for their onward
  journey.
- A detailed enumeration of the proposed place of stay by the travelers during the next
   14 days will be obtained including contact numbers by the Quarantine facility
   Incharge.
- 7. The Quarantine Facility in charges will plan dropping the travelers in either of the locations i.e. ISBT, Railway Station or Airport etc. as per the preference of the travelers.

### B. For the Travelers in the Quarantine Facility:

#### I. While travelling back home:

1. Provide details of your stay for next 14 days including the contact numbers.

- 2. Obtain list of District and State Surveillance Officers for follow up and reporting in case of any issue.
- 3. Use triple layer surgical mask (follow correct use and disposal of mask as briefed during the stay in Quarantine Centre)
- 4. Follow frequent hand-wash with soap and water or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
- 5. Use respiratory etiquettes (use tissue paper/ hand-kerchief to cover your nose and mouth, turn head away from the person facing of you, while coughing/ sneezing).
- 6. Monitor your temperature twice daily
- 7. Retain the aircraft boarding pass/ rail ticket/ details of Journey by taxi (including contact number of drivers etc.)

#### II. After reaching home

- 1. Avoid crowded places.
- 2. Monitor your health for a period of next 14 days (after leaving the quarantine Centre).
- 3. Monitor body temperature twice daily.
- 4. At all times:
  - · Maintain personal hygiene
  - Wash hands with soap and water frequently or use alcohol-based hand sanitizer.
  - Use respiratory etiquettes (use tissue paper/ hand-kerchief to cover your nose and mouth, turn head away from the person facing of you, while coughing/ sneezing).
- Report to nearest health facility if you develop fever, cough or difficulty in breathing besides reporting it to the State and District Surveillance Officer.
- Allow attendance by health workers / respond to call received from Health functionaries. Keep their contact numbers handy.
- 7. Inform about your health at the end of 14 days period to the Healthcare worker and State / District Surveillance Officer.

## III. In case you develop fever, cough or difficulty in breathing any time after leaving the quarantine Centre (within next 14 days):

- Call the nearest health facility or health worker visiting / talking to you besides informing the State / District Surveillance Officer.
- 2. An identified care giver (among family members) will only attend to you. He / she will wear mask and wash hands, every time he/ she comes in contact with you.
- 3. Use surgical triple layer mask immediately on realization of symptoms.
- 4. Get admitted to the identified health facility as advised.

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- 5. The vehicle/ ambulance which was used for transportation also needs to be disinfected. (Contact the health facility for the disinfection procedure).
- 6. Follow infection prevention and control practices at all times and places.
- 7. If further assistance is required,

#### Call HELPLINE No.

- State Control Room (State Civil Secretariat): 104/0360-2292777/2292775/2292774
- > State Task Force Cell (DHS, Naharlagun): 0360-2350407
- Mental Health Helpline no. 080 46110007 (Toll Free No.)- NIMHANS for people who may face mental health issue due to the country wide lock down.

#### IV. Advice to other family members at home:

- 1. Wash your hands with soap and water frequently.
- 2. If the person (discharged from the quarantine Centre) develops symptoms, inform the health worker and also the State / District Surveillance Officer.
- 3. In case advised to shift the patient to a health facility:
  - ➤ Share list of all contacts till date with the treating doctor/ health care worker and the State and District Surveillance
  - > Family members to be in home quarantine till either medical examination rules out novel coronavirus infection or the result of sample is negative.
  - Proper disinfection of bedding/ clothing/ room/ all personal belongings should be followed with 1% Sodium hypochlorite solution.

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