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Health & Family Welfare Services

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Subject: Clarification on quarantine in case Covid test comes out positive for primary contacts.

1. As per the policy of the State government the primary contacts of Covid positive patients are being kept in institution quarantine. The high risk primary contacts (i.e. those suffering from co morbid conditions like, diabetes, Hypertension, Asthma, HIV etc.) are kept at hospitals while the low risk primary contacts are kept at hotels/hostels.
2. On 12th day swab samples are drawn from all primary contacts and are tested for Covid-19. As per the test results those who are found positive are to be sent to Covid hospitals. However, question was raised by many DHOs & DCs regarding what is to be done for all those who are tested negative but have been staying in the same facility as Covid positive person as they become primary contacts again.
3. Since all of them stay in a government monitored quarantine facility and their samples are drawn on the same day, therefore after detailed deliberations it is decided that such persons who are tested negative for Covid-19 should be left for home quarantine for 14 days and their health shall be monitored by way of personal visit by field workers of health department. During the home quarantine period of 14 days and follow up if any symptoms develop the person should be immediately tested and should be brought to Covid hospital.


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