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**Subject:** Guidelines for 10 bedded Isolation ward on preparedness of COVID-19.

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As you are aware, COVID-19 has been declared as public health emergency of international concern. It has now affected 75 countries including India. In this regard you are hereby instructed to maintain a 10 bedded isolation ward on preparedness of COVID-19 in your hospital. The hospital should follow the below mentioned guidelines:

**Guidelines for 10 bedded Isolation Ward**

1. Distance between each bed should be a minimum of 1 meter.
2. Separate wall or roof fall screen between each bed.
3. Good ventilators atleast 12 cycle / minute or 16 cycles of air / second / good cross ventilation.
4. Separate medical equipments for each patient like thermometer, pulse oximeter, sthethoscope and necessary medicines (if not available, to be sterilized after each case).
5. Separate personal kits for each patient like sterilizers, tissue papers, soaps etc.,
6. Case sheet should be kept outside the ward.
7. Always enter the ward with PPE. After use, it has to be discarded according to Bio-Medical Waste Management rules and packed properly.
8. All protocols of Isolation ward has to be followed.

**Note: All District Surveillance Officers are instructed to confirm the provision of Isolation Ward at your district (Medical Colleges, District Hospitals, Major Hospitals , Taluka General Hospitals).**

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**To:**

- 1) The Dean and Directors of all Medical Colleges.

- 2) All District Health & Family Welfare Officers
- 3) All District Surgeons.
- 4) Medical Superintendents of Major Hospitals and District Level hospitals.
- 5) Taluk Health Officers and Administrative Medical Officers of TH/GH.

**Copy for information to:**

1. ACS to Hon. Chief Minister, Vidhana Soudha, Bengaluru.
2. The Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare Service, GoK.
3. The Mission Director, NHM, Bengaluru.
4. The Director, Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Services, GoK.
5. PS to Hon. Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Vidhana Soudha
6. PS to Hon. Minister for Medical Education Department
7. The Project Director (IDS), Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Services,
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