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# SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT PRESS RELEASES OF THE GOVERNMENT ON COVID-19

Aizawl, the 30th March 2020: A brief summary of important Press Releases of the Government on the status of COVID-19 and the evolving scenario starting for today is as follows. This summary will be uploaded on the Department's website by 7:00 PM everyday.

# 28 STRANDED MIZOS IN MYANMAR STRANDED ON INDO-MYANMAR BRIDGE AT ZOKHAWTHAR ALLOWED TO CROSS THE BORDER INTO MIZORAM

28 Indian citizens who were stranded at the Indo-Myanmar Bridge at Zokhawthar in Champhai District, bordering Myanmar since 21st March when international border was sealed were finally allowed to cross the border into Mizoram. The Champhai District administration immediately informed State Government of matter, who then took the humanitarian issue with the Union Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA). After the MHA granted permission, 26 stranded travelers were allowed to cross the border late night while 2 travelers were allowed the crossing on 28th March. The travelers had been camping on the bridge for the past several days with food and water being provided to them by Village Level Task Force of Zokhawthar.

The Medical Screening Team deployed at Zokhawthar screened all the travelers carefully. They were immediately put in government quarantine facilities. 25 of them have been quarantined at District Panchayat Resource Centre (DPRC) Keifangtlang while the other 3 at Zokhawthar Land Custom Station. 434 persons are currently under strict home quarantine in Champhai District while 34 including

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the stranded arrivals are being under quarantine in 3 government quarantine facilities.

# SUPPLY MINISTER VISITS BAIRABI RAILWAY STATION TO OVERSEE ARRANGEMENTS OF UNLOADING OF RICE

Food, Civil Supplies and Consumer Affairs Minister Pu K. Lalrinliana today visited Bairabi Railway Station in Kolasib District to oversee arrangements for unloading of rice from the railway wagons. The Minister interacted with the truckers and labourers and praised their efforts in ensuring the uninterrupted transport of rice and other essential commodities to the people of Mizoram. He assured them that any problems that arose would be addressed immediately. The unloading of rice from the wagons onto trucks has been hampered to some extent after scarcity of labour arose in the wake of the pandemic. Local labourers have been engaged for unloading and the differential cost of unloading charges is being met by the Minister personally.

The Minister also handed 140 Personal Protection Equipment, 150 N95 masks 150, 150 shoe covers and 400 three layer masks and leaflets on COVID-19 to the District Hospital authorities at Kolasib earlier in the morning. He also handed over hand sanitizers and Rs. 10,000 each of the 17 Village Level Task Force within his constituency.

## SERCHHIP, LUNGLEI AND MAMIT DISTRICT TASK FORCES DISCUSS MEASURES BEING IMPLEMENTED FOR MITIGATION OF COVID-19

A meeting of Serchhip District Level Task Force on COVID-19 chaired by District Magistrate discussed various steps being taken in the District for the migitation of COVID-19 regarding supply of essential commodities and supply chain management with regard to vegetables. The meeting pointed that three facilities for catering to the needs of migrant labourers and stranded people are operational. The meeting also discussed arrangements for delivery of essential items in consultations with the Local Level Task Forces.

360 people are currently under strict home quarantine in Serchhip District while another 49 people are under quarantine in three government facilities. 44 people under home quarantine and 3 persons under quarantine at government facilities have been released after the mandatory period of 14 days.

Similar meetings were also held by the District Level Task Forces of Mamit and Lunglei Districts where interventions and steps to meet the requirements of essentials goods and supplies were discussed.

## CASH ASSISTANCE TO 40,890 FARMERS OF MIZORAM UNDER PM-KISAN TRANSERRED

A amount of Rs. 8,17, 80,000 at the rate of Rs. 2000 each was transferred via DBT

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to the accounts of 40,890 farmers of Mizoram today by officials of Agriculture Department under the PM-KISAN scheme to help farmers tide over the hardships in the wake of COVID-19 pandemic.

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