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Sri Subroto Bagchi, Chief Spokesperson of Govt. of Odisha on COVID-19 briefed the Press about steps taken by Government of Odisha for prevention of COVID-19.

- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik thanked Sri Jagannath Temple Administration, Puri District Administration, Police Administration and Health Services personnel for their sincere effort for conducting auspicious Ratha Jatra Festival at Puri on time. He extended his special thanks to the people of Puri and the Servitors for their cooperation to complete the event in disciplined manner.
- Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra reviewed post Ratha Jatra Health scenario in Puri today. Massive Covid test of all Servitors, Police personnel and Temple Administration officials associated with Ratha Jatra will be done for the 2nd time. Masks and sanitizers will be given to the Servitors and their families. Exclusive Health Centres will be operational for the Servitors.
- A High level Coordination Meeting of Agriculture & Farmers' Empowerment Department and Cooperation Department was held today. It was emphasised to provide quality seeds, fertilizers, crop loan and other agri-inputs to the farmers during Kharif in order to ensure food security in the wake of COVID-19 situation.
- To reduce chances of COVID-19 infection among frontline Health & Emergency workers, Bhubaneswar Municipal Corporation has started imparting training to its 2,800 Sanitation Workers. BMC aims to train all of its workers on safety aspects in a week.
- Blue Wheel Hospital, Mancheswar has been sealed by BMC Authority today because of violation of COVID-19 guidelines of the Government. As on 23rd June, 2020, twenty seven positive cases have been detected from this Hospital. Show cause has been issued to the Hospital.

"STAY HOME, STAY SAFE"

- Odia brothers and sisters are returning to Odisha every day. 1091 Odia \triangleright people have returned to Odisha today. So far 5,75,887 Odias have returned to Odisha.
- 16,824 Temporary Medical Centres/Camps have been readied in 6798 Gram \geq Panchayats of the State. In all these Centres, total no. of 7,67,673 beds have been arranged to provide COVID-19 health services in rural areas.
- \geq From 23rd June morning to 24th June morning, 2 no of cases have been registered by the Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19. All the cases are for violation of lock down. 31 persons have been arrested by police for different violations.

Health Update

- Up to midnight of 23rd June, 2,35,627 samples have been tested. \triangleright
- Number of Positive Cases stands 5,752.
- AAAA 4123 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 17.
- No of active cases are 1,605.
- \triangleright 1,668 persons are in hospital isolation.

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