


आवश्यक सूचना

दिनांक 19.09.2020 से विश्वविद्यालय की अन्तिम सेमेस्टर्स की परीक्षाएं (2019-20) प्रस्तावित हैं। परीक्षाओं के दौरान कोविड-19 से बचाव के लिए भारत सरकार/राज्य सरकार द्वारा जारी दिशा-निर्देश (SOP) आपके सुलभ सन्दर्भ के लिए संलग्न किये जा रहे हैं। अतः आपसे अनुरोध है कि भारत सरकार एवं राज्य सरकार द्वारा कोविड-19 से बचाव के लिए जारी दिशा-निर्देशों का अपने महाविद्यालय/संस्थान के छात्र/छात्राओं को अवगत कराते हुए जारी दिशा-निर्देशों का पालन करना सुनिश्चित करने का कष्ट करें।


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प्रतिलिपि निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित:-

1. समस्त संकायाध्यक्ष/विभागाध्यक्ष।
2. समस्त प्राचार्य/प्राचार्या/निदेशक सम्बद्ध महाविद्यालय/संस्थान।
3. परीक्षा नियंत्रक।
4. परिसर निदेशक (टिहरी/पौड़ी/चौरास)/निदेशक आई.क्यू.ए.सी.।
5. अधिष्ठाता छात्र कल्याण/नियंता/मुख्य छात्रावास अधीक्षक/पुस्तकालयाध्यक्ष।
6. वित्त अधिकारी।
7. संयुक्त कुलसचिव/समस्त उप कुलसचिव/सहायक कुलसचिव
8. समस्त अनुभाग अधिकारी/प्रभारी।
9. सिस्टम मैनेजर को इस आशय से प्रेषित कि उक्त आदेश को विश्वविद्यालय की वेबसाईट पर अपलोड करने हेतु।
10. जन सम्पर्क अधिकारी को इस आशय से प्रेषित कि उक्त समाचार को स्थानीय इलैक्ट्रॉनिक एवं प्रिन्ट मिडिया समाचारों में निःशुल्क प्रसारित कराना सुनिश्चित करें।
11. निजी सचिव, कुलपति, माननीय कुलपति महोदया के सादर सूचनार्थ।
12. विश्वविद्यालय नोटिस बोर्ड।
13. कार्यालय प्रति।


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मुख्य सचिव
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एवं मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी,
उत्तराखण्ड राज्य आपदा प्रबन्धन प्राधिकरण।

सेवा में,

1. समस्त अपर मुख्य सचिव/ प्रमुख सचिव उत्तराखण्ड शासन।
2. पुलिस महानिदेशक, उत्तराखण्ड।
3. सचिव/प्रभारी सचिव, उत्तराखण्ड शासन।
4. आयुक्त कुमायूँ एवं गढ़वाल मण्डल।
5. समस्त जिलाधिकारी, उत्तराखण्ड।

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देहरादून: दिनांक 01 सितम्बर, 2020

विषय: कोविड-19 के संक्रमण के नियंत्रण हेतु क्रियान्वित तालाबन्दी की क्रमवार समाप्ति (Unlock-4) के सम्बन्ध में।

महोदय/महोदया,

उपरोक्त विषयक अवगत करवाना है कि तालाबन्दी (Lockdown) की क्रमवार समाप्ति (Unlock-4) हेतु राज्य सरकार द्वारा निर्गत पत्र संख्या-

1. 586 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 29 अगस्त, 2020.
2. 505 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 4 अगस्त, 2020.
3. 281 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 7 जून, 2020.
4. 285 /USDMA/792(2020), दिनांक 08 जून, 2020.
5. 292 /USDMA/ 792(2020), दिनांक 10 जून, 2020,
6. 298 /USDMA/792/ (2020), दिनांक 12 जून, 2020.
7. 317 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 16 जून, 2020.
8. 328 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 19 जून, 2020,
9. 363 /USDMA/792/(2020), दिनांक 29 जून, 2020
10. 385 /USDMA/792(2020), दिनांक 02 जुलाई, 2020.
11. 447 /USDMA/792(2020), दिनांक 17 जुलाई, 2020.

को अतिक्रमित करते हुवे गृह मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के आदेश संख्या-40-30/2020-DM-I (A) दिनांक 29 अगस्त, 2020 (Unlock-4) के प्रावधानों को समावेशित करते हुए निम्नवत निर्देश पारित किये जाते हैं:-

1. Lockdown limited to Containment Zones

- 1.1. सम्बन्धित जिलाधिकारी के द्वारा संज्ञान में आये कोविड-19 के संक्रमण के आधार पर कन्टेनमेन्ट जोन का निर्धारण किया जायेगा तथा इन क्षेत्रों में गृह मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के आदेश संख्या: 40-3/2020-DM-I (A), दिनांक 29 अगस्त, 2020 के बिन्दु संख्या-3 (i & ii) के अनुरूप कार्यवाही की जायेगी।

1.2. However, the Containment Zones of the districts will be notified on the websites by the respective District Administration and intimate to the state government for compilation which will be shared with MoHFW.

2. Activities permitted during Unlock 4 period outside the containment Zones

2.1. In areas outside containment zones, all activities will be permitted, except the following:

- (i) Schools, colleges, educational and coaching institutions will continue to remain closed for students and regular class activity up to 30th September 2020. However, following will be permitted:
 - a. Online/distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.
 - b. Districts may permit up to 50% of teaching and non-teaching staff to be called to the schools at a time for online teaching/ tele- counselling and related work, in areas outside the containment Zones only, with effect from 21st September 2020 for which, Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) of the Ministry of Health & Family welfare (MoHFW) shall be followed.
 - c. Students of classes 9 to 12 may be permitted to visit their schools, in areas outside the Containment Zones only, on voluntary basis, for taking guidance from their teachers. This will be subject to written consent of their parents/ guardians and will be permitted with effect from 21st September 2020 for which, SOP of the MoHFW shall be followed.
 - d. Skill or Entrepreneurship training will be permitted in National Skill Training Institutes, Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs), Short term training centres registered with National Skill Development Corporation or State Skill Development Missions or other Ministries of Government of India or State Governments.

National Institute for Entrepreneurship and Small Business Development (NIESBUD), Indian Institute of Entrepreneurship (IIE) and their training providers will also be permitted.

These will be permitted with effect from 21st September 2020 for which, SOP of the MoHFW shall be followed.

e. Higher Education Institutions only for research scholars (Ph.D.) and post-graduate students of technical and professional programmes requiring laboratory/experimental works. These will be permitted by the Department of Higher Education (DHE) in consultation with MHA, based on the assessment of the situation, and keeping in view incidence of COVID-19 in the Districts.

(ii) Social/ academic/ sports/ entertainment/ cultural/ religious/ political functions and other congregations with a ceiling of 100 persons, will be permitted with effect from 21st September 2020, with mandatory wearing of face masks, social distancing, provision for thermal scanning and hand wash or sanitizer.

However, marriage related gatherings with number of guests not exceeding 50 and funeral/ last rites related gatherings with number of persons not exceeding 20 will continue to be allowed up to 20th September 2020, after which the ceiling of 100 persons will apply.

(iii) Cinema halls, swimming pools, entertainment parks, theatres and similar places will remain closed. However, open air theatres will be permitted to open with effect from 21st September 2020.

(iv) International air travel of passengers, except as permitted by MHA.

3. District Administration shall not impose any local lockdown (District/ sub-division/City level), outside the containment zones, without prior consultation with the state Government.

4. Movement of persons with SOP

4.1. Movement by passenger trains; domestic passenger air travel; movement of persons on Vande Bharat and Air Transport Bubble flights will continue to be regulated as per SOPs issued by the central government.

5. National directives for Covid 19 Management: National Directives for Covid-19 management, as specified in **Annexure-1**, shall continue to be followed throughout the Districts.

6. Protection of Vulnerable Persons: Persons above 65 years of age, persons with co-morbidities, pregnant women, and children below the age of 10 years are advised to stay at home, except for essential and health purposes.

7. Strict enforcement of the guidelines

(i) The district shall not dilute these guidelines issued under Disaster Management Act, 2005, in any manner.

(ii) For the enforcement of social distancing, District Administration may, as far as possible, use the provision of section 144 of the CrPC of 1973.

(iii) All district magistrates shall strictly enforce the above measures.

8. ArogyaSetu App

8.1. All inbound persons from other states, irrespective of the mode of travel, shall mandatorily download and update the ArogyaSetu mobile application.

9. Inter - State Movement of Persons (Registration)

9.1. All inbound persons from other states, irrespective of the mode of travel, shall mandatorily register themselves on the Smart City web portal <http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in> prior to their travel. There shall be no restriction on such movement of persons and goods including those for cross land-border trade under Treaties with neighbouring countries. No separate permission/ approval/ e-permit will be required for such movements. The registration documents shall necessarily be verified at the border check posts.

9.2. All inbound persons from high load Covid-19 infected cities (list enclosed as **Annexure-2**), irrespective of the mode of travel, shall undergo a period of 7 days in institutional quarantine and subsequently 7 days in home quarantine. However, such individuals shall have the option of choosing from a government institutional quarantine facility (non-payment basis) or a paid quarantine facility (payment to be made by the quarantined individual). All inbound persons, not from high load Covid-19 infected cities, shall only be home quarantined for 14 days.

9.2.1. However, all inbound asymptomatic persons irrespective of coming from high-load cities, who have undergone RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT test, from ICMR authorised lab not earlier than **96 hours** from the time of arrival, reflecting Covid-19 negative report, shall be exempted from being quarantined. All such inbound persons who have undergone such test, as specified above, shall also necessarily upload their medical report on the given web portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>.) during registration. The district authorities shall ensure proper verification of medical reports of the concerned persons at the border check posts at the time of entry.

9.2.2. However, all inbound asymptomatic persons travelling for short visit (up to 7 days), for exceptional and compelling reasons, such as cases of death in family, serious illness, visiting parents (old-aged)/ family members shall be exempted from being quarantined. These individuals shall be advised to stay at home and when they attend the intended work outside their home, then they shall adhere to the norms of safety and social distancing as per guidelines of MoHFW. They will mandatorily give their home/stay address in registration and the District Authorities shall randomly check upon such individuals. If the addresses are found incorrect, then proceeding under DM Act will be initiated against such person.

9.2.3. However, all inbound asymptomatic workers, employees, experts/ consultants and suppliers involved in the different projects and construction activities of state / central government departments/ PSUs shall be exempted from being quarantined. They shall be allowed to move to their workplace in the state on a daily basis, and shall be permitted to travel back to their place of origin, after completion of work. It shall be the responsibility of the concerned establishments to ensure that all norms of safety and social distancing, as per MoHFW and MHA guidelines, are strictly complied with.

9.2.3.1. All such inbound asymptomatic workers, employees, experts/ consultants and suppliers shall also necessarily upload their authorisation letter on the given web portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>). The district authorities shall ensure proper verification of these letters of the concerned workers, employees, experts/ consultants and suppliers at the border check posts at the time of entry.

9.2.4. All inbound asymptomatic workers/employees authorized by businesses and management of industries located in Uttarakhand shall be exempted from being quarantined. They shall be allowed to move to their workplace in the state on a daily basis, and shall be permitted to travel back to their place of origin, after completion of work. Further, experts/ consultants/ suppliers authorized by businesses and management of industries located in Uttarakhand and coming for less than 7 days, for the purpose of business, technical expertise for industries or other similar purposes shall also be exempted from being quarantined and only attend to their work. It shall be the responsibility of the concerned establishments to ensure that all norms of safety and social distancing, as per MoHFW and MHA guidelines, are strictly complied with.

9.2.4.1. All such inbound asymptomatic workers/employees authorized by businesses and management of industries located in Uttarakhand shall also necessarily upload their authorisation letter on the given web portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>). The district authorities shall ensure proper verification of these letters of the concerned workers, employees, experts/ consultants and suppliers at the border check posts at the time of entry.

9.2.5. In cases of inter-state movement for official purposes, Ministers of Government of India, Ministers of State Government, Chief Justice and other Judges of Supreme Court and High Courts, other Judicial officers of district and subordinate judiciary of the state, Advocate General, Chief Standing Counsel and other Government Advocates in the High Court of Uttarakhand, MPs and MLAs of Uttarakhand, all officers of GoI, State Government, PSUs, Central Government/State Government organisations, along with their support staff shall be exempted from being quarantined.

However, such individuals shall ensure compliance of all norms of safety and social distancing, as per guidelines of MoHFW and MHA.

9.2.6. The Army, Air Force, Navy and other Para Military Forces shall make their own arrangements for institutional quarantining of their officers, personnel and family members inbound from high-load Covid-19 infected cities for 07 days, followed by home quarantine of 7 days. Their quarantine facilities shall meet the standards of MoHFW. The quarantine arrangements so made shall be duly intimated to the State government/ District Nodal Officer on a regular basis.

9.2.7. All asymptomatic persons, travelling by flight and transiting through high load Covid-19 infected cities (where the origin is not from high load Covid-19 infected Cities, as per the **Annexure-2**) shall have to undergo a period of 14 days in home quarantine.

9.2.8. All asymptomatic persons who are travelling to high load Covid-19 infected cities from Uttarakhand for a maximum duration of 05 days (due to exceptional and compelling reasons such as cases of pregnancy, death in family, serious illness or any other reason of personal distress, as assessed by the District Nodal Officers, in co-ordination with Health Authorities, shall on return, be exempted from being quarantined. However, in exceptional cases of outbound travel for more than 05 days, such persons shall have to undergo home quarantine of 07 days and shall also monitor her/ his health condition closely.

9.2.9. All pregnant ladies, seriously ill persons and senior citizens above the age of 65 years, or persons accompanied by children below 10 years of age, coming from high load Covid-19 infected cities shall be exempted from institutional quarantine and permitted to stay in home quarantine for 14 days.

9.2.10. All inbound persons coming with RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT test with negative report to Uttarakhand shall be exempted from being quarantined. The District Administrations and Police Authorities shall check their documents at the Border check post. If there is any doubt or person appear to be with symptoms, the District Administration may also randomly take samples of such people. If found positive, it shall be the responsibility of the concerned District Administration, in coordination with the Health authorities, to follow protocols as laid down by MoHFW and State Government.

9.2.11. The State Control Room (Covid 19) will keep track on all incoming persons. It will also check the various documents being uploaded by inbound persons. It will continuously ascertain the status of Home Quarantine, Home Isolation of all inbound people and report to the respective District Authorities, if any discrepancy is found.

10. University/ National Defence Academy/ Naval Academy / JEE/ NEET and other examinations

10.1. All inbound students, teachers, parents and their associates coming to various designated centres (designated by state and central government) to attend various entrance tests/ examinations/ interviews from other states as well as travelling from district to district in Uttarakhand, irrespective of the mode of travel, shall mandatorily register themselves on the Smart City web portal <http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>, prior to their travel and shall be exempted from quarantined. No permit/ permission/ e-pass and Covid-19 test (RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT) shall be required for such movement. The registration documents shall necessarily be verified at the border check posts.

10.2. The district administration shall open public transportation and ensure that students, teachers, parents and their associates going to various examination centres as designated by the state and central government in Uttarakhand are availing uninterrupted services of public transportation.

11. Inter- District Movement within the State

11.1. No permit/permission shall be required for inter-district movement of persons within the state. However, all such persons shall mandatorily register themselves on the web portal <http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>, prior to their movement.

11.2. All such persons, irrespective of the mode of travel, shall be exempted from being quarantined.

12. Indian Nationals/ Tourists travelling from various countries

12.1. All asymptomatic inbound persons travelling from other countries to Uttarakhand shall mandatorily register themselves on the web portal <http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>, prior to their journey.

12.2. All asymptomatic inbound persons travelling from other countries shall undergo a period of 7 days in institutional quarantine and subsequently 7 days in home quarantine.

12.2.1. However, international passengers intending to have flights to other domestic airports of Uttarakhand as their final destination would be allowed for such onward journey, when exemption from institutional quarantine requirement is granted in their favour by the ARC (Help Desk at Airport) of the first airport of landing (Delhi) on the basis of a negative RT-PCR test report, for which test was conducted within 96 hours prior to undertaking the journey. The detailed guidelines are enclosed at **Annexure-3** for which shall be strictly reference.

12.2.2. After arrival of passengers at Delhi, the help desk established at the airport (Delhi) shall affix stamp either state quarantine or home quarantine with date and Covid-19 Negative if they have RT-PCR test negative report within 96 hours prior to undertaking the journey.

12.3. Those who have arrived Delhi airport without RTPCR test, the Additional Nodal Officer (ARC) shall provide a list of paid quarantine facilities in Delhi/ or areas adjoining the airport and in the districts of Uttarakhand to such inbound persons.

12.4. The inbound persons shall clearly specify their choice of paid institutional quarantine facility (Delhi/ areas adjoining the airport and concerned district of Uttarakhand) at the help desk set up by the Additional Nodal Officer (ARC) at the airport.

12.4.1. In the event of a person opting to stay in an institutional quarantine facility in Uttarakhand free of charge, a list of such government run free quarantine facilities will be provided to the concerned person.

12.5. All inbound persons desirous of being quarantined in Uttarakhand shall be facilitated by ARC office (Additional Nodal Officer) by arranging vehicles on payment basis to enable them to reach their destination districts in Uttarakhand.

12.6. The ARC shall share list of all such persons with District Nodal Officers on a daily basis so that appropriate arrangements can be made at district level.

12.7. Such persons must directly report to the paid quarantine centre selected by them. In case the option is for free institutional quarantine facilities, the help desk shall instruct such persons to report at the border check posts of the destination districts and then directly to such facility as indicated by the check post team. Any violation in this regard shall be punishable under relevant sections of IPC, Epidemics Diseases Act and Disaster Management Act.

12.7.1. However, only in exceptional and compelling circumstances, such as pregnancy, death in family, serious illness, senior citizens above 65 years of age and parent(s) accompanied by children below 10 years or any other reason of personal distress, as assessed by the ARC/ State Nodal Officers/District Nodal Officers in co-ordination with Health Authorities, home quarantine may be permitted for 14 days to all such asymptomatic persons, subject to compliance of all norms of social distancing and safety (as per MoHFW, MHA and state govt. guidelines).

12.8. In cases where results of the samples of asymptomatic persons in institutional quarantine are still awaited, they shall be discharged from the quarantine facility on completion of 7 days. But close monitoring of their health condition for the subsequent period of 07 days during home quarantine shall be done through the teams formed by the District Nodal Officers.

12.8.1. Prior to the discharge of such persons from quarantine facilities, they shall submit a self-declaration form/ undertaking for strictly adhering to the health protocols and state guidelines. Details of such discharged persons shall be updated on the smart city portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>) at the time of discharge.

13. Re-opening of Hotels/ B&B/ Homestay and hospitality services

13.1. All hotels/ B&B/ Homestay & hospitality services shall be allowed to open in the state. However, all such hotels/ B&B/ Homestay & hospitality services in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

13.2. The Hotel management/B&B/ Homestay management shall ensure that bookings of persons from other states shall be done on the basis of RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT test with negative report. Such persons shall be exempted from being quarantined.

13.2.1. There shall be no restrictions regarding the minimum period of stay in Hotels/ B&B/ Homestay for persons who have undergone RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT with negative test report from ICMR authorised lab not earlier than 96 hours from the time of arrival. Such persons having shown the negative report at the border check post shall be allowed to proceed to their destination and shall not be quarantined. In cases of violation of above rules by any individual, it shall be immediately informed by the concerned hotel management/ B&B/Homestay management to the District Administration/ police for penal action under relevant sections of IPC, Epidemics Diseases Act and Disaster Management Act.

13.3. All tourists shall necessarily register themselves on the web portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>.) However, all such tourists who have undergone RT-PCR/ TrueNAT/ CBNAAT test with negative report, shall also necessarily upload their medical report on the given web portal (<http://smartcitydehradun.uk.gov.in>.) The district authorities shall ensure proper verification of medical reports of the concerned persons at the border check posts at the time of entry.

13.4. The hotel management/B&B/Homestay management shall strictly adhere to the SOP issued by the Department of Tourism, Government of Uttarakhand on Hotels/ B&B/ Homestay and other Hospitality Units.

14. Re-opening of Restaurants

14.1. All restaurants shall be allowed to open in the state. However, all restaurants in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

14.2. The restaurant owners/ managers shall make arrangements to ensure that a record of all customers, as also the waiters serving the tables, is maintained at all times, clearly specifying the date and time.

14.3. In addition to the above, the restaurant management shall strictly adhere to the SOP issued by Department of Tourism, Government of Uttarakhand on restaurants.

15. Re-opening of Shopping Malls

15.1. All shopping malls shall be allowed to open in the state. However, all shopping malls in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

15.2. Prior to opening the mall, the Mall management shall give an undertaking/ self-declaration to the District administration regarding various measures taken for preventing the spread of covid-19, as also strict adherence to the guidelines issued by CPWD for air conditioning in such areas with maximum exposure and concentration and those issued by MoHFW and MHA for norms of safety and social distancing.

15.3. However, District administration, in consultation with the Mall Management, may decide to put necessary restrictions on the maximum number of people to be allowed in the interest of public health. Wide publicity in advance regarding the restrictions to be placed shall be made.

15.4. In addition to the above, the shopping mall management shall strictly adhere to the SOP issued by MoHFW, Government of India on shopping malls.

16. Re-opening of Religious places/ Places of worship

16.1The religious places/ places of worship shall be allowed to open in the state. However, all such religious places/ places of worship in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

16.2.However, the District administration in consultation with Boards/ Trusts/ Management Committees, may decide to put necessary restrictions in place, in the interest of public health. Wider publicity in advance, regarding the restrictions to be placed on public *darshan* and worship protocol, shall be made.

16.3.*Char-DhamDevasthanam* Board, in consultation with the respective District administration and other stakeholders, may decide to put necessary restrictions in place, in the interest of public health. However, wide publicity in advance, regarding the restrictions to be placed on public *darshan* and worship protocol, shall be made.

16.4.In addition to the above, the management of religious places / places of worship shall strictly adhere to the SOP issued by MoHFW, Government of India on religious places.

17. Opening of Markets

17.1. All markets shall be allowed to open in the state. However, all such establishments in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

17.2. However, the District Administration in consultation with market committees may decide to put necessary restrictions in place, in the interest of public health. Wider publicity, regarding the restrictions to be followed by the customers and business communities at various strategic locations of market areas shall be ensured.

18. UDAN

18.1. Travel by helicopters and fixed-wing shall be permitted under UDAN scheme. The passengers after disembarking shall have to follow the guidelines prescribed by the state govt. The operators shall also comply with the guidelines issued by the MoHFW, Civil Aviation department and the State Govt.

18.1.1. The Department of Civil Aviation, in coordination with Health Authorities and District Administration, shall ensure Rapid Antigen testing of all persons inbound from other states. Such testing shall be organised at the concerned originating helipads (Dehradun & US Nagar).

19. Opening of Banquet Halls/ Community Halls for Marriage and related ceremonies.

19.1. All Banquet Halls/ Community Halls for marriage and related ceremonies shall be allowed to open in the state, except in containment zones.

19.2. The Management of Banquet Halls/ Community Halls shall ensure that the number of persons attending the ceremony shall not exceed 50 will continue to be allowed up to 20th September, 2020, after which the ceiling of 100 persons will apply. All guests/ attendees shall provide a written undertaking (Self-declaration form) clearly indicating their place of stay and marriage venue to the management of Banquet hall / hotel.

19.3. Asymptomatic bride/groom and their relatives travelling from high load Covid-19 infected cities shall be exempted from being quarantined.

19.4. All asymptomatic guests coming to attend the marriage from high load covid-19 infected cities of other states shall be exempted from the restriction of the minimum period of stay in hotels, subject to the condition that all norms of safety and social distancing as per MHA and MoHFW guidelines are strictly complied with.

19.5. The Management of Banquet Hall/ Community Hall shall ensure proper thermal screening of all employees and guests prior to their entry

and maintain arecord of all such persons. They shall also ensure adherence of guidelines related to safety and social distancing issued by MoHFW, Government of India.

20. Last rites/ Funerals:

The last rites related gatherings with number of people not exceeding 20 will continue to be allowed up to 20th September, 2020, after which the ceiling of 100 persons will apply adhering to the norms of safety and social distancing issued by MoHFW.

21. Parks shall be opened for walk/ jog and other activities not exceeding 100 persons shall be allowed after 20th September, 2020 for all asymptomatic persons till further orders. The park management shall ensure that norms of safety and social distancing as per guidelines of MoHFW and MHA are strictly adhered during such activities.

21.1. However, all such activities in containment zones of the state shall remain closed, till further orders.

22. Penal provisions

23.1. Any person violating these measures will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provision of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable. Extracts of these penal provisions are at **Annexure- 4**.

अतः सभी सम्बन्धित उपरोक्त समस्त आदेशों एवं निर्देशों के साथ-साथ गृह मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के आदेश संख्या:40-3/2020.DM-I (A),दिनांक 29 अगस्त, 2020 द्वारा निर्गत दिशा-निर्देशों का कड़ाई से अनुपालन करवाया जाना सुनिश्चित करेंगे।

उक्त आदेश अग्रिम आदेशों तक प्रभावी रहेगा।

संलग्नक-उपरोक्तानुसार

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संख्या एवं दिनांक उपरोक्तानुसार।

निम्नलिखित को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित-

1. सचिव, श्री राज्यपाल, उत्तराखण्ड।
2. सचिव, मा. मुख्यमंत्री जी, उत्तराखण्ड।
3. सचिव, विधानसभा, उत्तराखण्ड।

4. महाधिवक्ता, मा0 उच्चन्यायालय, नैनीताल।
5. सचिव, गोपन (मंत्रिपरिषद), विभाग, उत्तराखण्ड शासन।
6. समस्त निजी सचिव, मा. मंत्री गणको मा. मंत्री गणों के संज्ञानार्थ प्रेषित।
7. स्टॉफ आफिसर, मुख्य सचिव, उत्तराखण्ड शासन।
8. सम्बन्धित पत्रावली।

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मुख्य सचिव/मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी

National Directives for COVID-19 Management

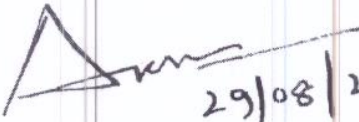
1. **Face coverings:** Wearing of face cover is compulsory in public places; in workplaces; and during transport.
2. **Social distancing:** Individuals must maintain a minimum distance of 6 feet (2 gaz ki doori) in public places.

Shops will ensure physical distancing among customers.

3. **Spitting in public places** will be punishable with fine, as may be prescribed by the State/ UT local authority in accordance with its laws, rules or regulations.

Additional directives for Work Places

4. **Work from home (WfH):** As far as possible the practice of WfH should be followed.
5. **Staggering of work/ business hours** will be followed in offices, work places, shops, markets and industrial & commercial establishments.
6. **Screening & hygiene:** Provision for thermal scanning, hand wash or sanitizer will be made at all entry points and of hand wash or sanitizer at exit points and common areas.
7. **Frequent sanitization** of entire workplace, common facilities and all points which come into human contact e.g. door handles etc., will be ensured, including between shifts.
8. **Social distancing:** All persons in charge of work places will ensure adequate distance between workers, adequate gaps between shifts, staggering the lunch breaks of staff, etc.


29/08/2020

Annexure – 2

**Top 33 Districts Based on Number of Confirmed COVID-19 Cases
List updated as on 31st August, 2020**

S.No.	State	District
1.	Delhi	All Districts
2.	Maharashtra	Mumbai
3.	Tamil Nadu	Chennai
4.	Maharashtra	Thane
5.	Maharashtra	Pune
6.	Karnataka	Bengaluru - Urban
7.	Telangana	Hyderabad
8.	Gujarat	Ahmedabad
9.	West Bengal	Kolkata
10.	Andhra Pradesh	West Godavari
11.	Andhra Pradesh	East Godavari
12.	Andhra Pradesh	S.P.S Nellore
13.	Andhra Pradesh	Visakhapatnam
14.	Andhra Pradesh	Chittoor
15.	Maharashtra	Raigad
16.	Maharashtra	Nashik
17.	Maharashtra	Nagpur
18.	Maharashtra	Jalgaon
19.	Assam	Kamrup Metropolitan
20.	Andhra Pradesh	Kurnool
21.	West Bengal	North 24 Parganas
22.	Andhra Pradesh	Guntur
23.	Gujarat	Ahamadbad
24.	Andhra Pradesh	Anantapur
25.	Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow
26.	Uttar Pradesh	Ghaziabad
27.	Uttar Pradesh	Meerut
28.	Uttar Pradesh	Bijnor
29.	Uttar Pradesh	Saharanpur
30.	Uttar Pradesh	Muzzafarnagar
31.	Uttar Pradesh	Murodabad
32.	Uttar Pradesh	Rampur
33.	Uttar Pradesh	Bareilly
34.	Uttar Pradesh	Pilibhit

Annexure -3
Ministry of Home Affairs
Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A)
Date 22nd August, 2020

Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs' (MHA) Order No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A)
dated 22nd August, 2020

Standard Operating Protocol (SOP) for travel on Vande Bharat and Air Transport Bubble flights

In order to contain the spread of COVID-19 pandemic, Central Government had taken a series of steps to curtail the inward/ outward movement of international passengers (both foreigners and Indians) in a calibrated manner. Further international air travel of passengers (except as permitted by MHA) has been prohibited under MHA's Orders related to lockdown/ Unlock guidelines. For bringing back Indian Nationals stranded abroad, Government of India has launched '**Vande Bharat**' mission. In addition, Ministry of Civil Aviation (MOCA) has entered into the '**Air Transport Bubbles**' arrangements with few countries to allow limited commercial passenger services on reciprocal basis, when regular international flights are suspended as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic

2. In order to facilitate the movement of persons on these limited international non-scheduled commercial flights, the following SoP is hereby laid down:

A. In-bound flights:

- i. The category of persons, who will be eligible to travel on these flights, will be as permitted by MHA from time to time.
- ii. Persons desirous to travel to India on *Vande Bharat* flights, will register themselves with the Indian Missions in the country where they are stranded/ residing, along with necessary details as prescribed by MEA. Such a registration may not be required on flights operating under Air Transport Bubbles arrangements.
- iii. They will travel to India by non-scheduled commercial flights as allowed by Ministry of Civil Aviation (MOCA); and ships as allowed by Department of Military Affairs (DMA)/ Ministry of Shipping (MOS). Only those crew and staff, who are tested COVID-19 negative, will be allowed to operate these flights/ ships.
- iv. SOP for the operations of these flights/ ships will be as issued by MOCA/ DMA or MOS from time to time.
- v. Priority will be given to compelling cases of in distress, including migrant workers/ labourers who have been laid off, short term visa holders faced with expiry of visas, persons with medical emergency/ pregnant women/ elderly persons or those required to return to India due to death of family member, and students.
- vi. The cost of travel, as specified by the carrier, will be borne by such travellers.
- vii. Based on the registrations received for *Vande Bharat* flights, MEA will prepare flight/ ship wise database of all such travellers, including details such as name, age, gender, mobile phone number, place of residence, place of final destination; and information on RT-PCR test taken and its result. This data base will be shared by MEA with the respective State/ UT in advance.
- viii. In case of flights operating under air transport bubbles, passenger manifest containing the same details as given above for *Vande Bharat* flights or in a revised format as may be finalised by MEA with the country concerned, will be submitted by the airlines to the Indian Mission in the country concerned

before operation of each flight with a copy to the State/ UT Government of the destination airport in India.

- ix. MEA/ MOCA will designate State/ UT wise nodal officers, who will coordinate with the nodal officers designated for this purpose by the respective State/ UT, both for the Vande Bharat flights as well as for the flights operated under air transport bubbles.
- x. MEA and MOCA will display with at least two days' notice, the schedule (day, place and time of arrival) of the incoming flight/ ship, on their online digital platform.
- xi. All travellers will also be required to give an undertaking that they are making the journey at their own risk.
- xii. While on board the flight, required precautions such as wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. are to be observed by airline staff, crew and all passengers.
- xiii. Passengers arriving through the land borders will also have to undergo the same protocol as above.
- xiv. The Guidelines on health protocols and quarantine for international arrivals, as issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW), from time to time, will be observed.

B. Out-bound flights:

- i. The category of persons, who will be eligible to travel on these flights, will be as permitted by MHA from time to time.
- ii. MOCA will display on its website the category of persons eligible to travel out of India.
- iii. Such persons will apply to MoCA or to an agency/ agencies designated by MoCA for this purpose, along with necessary details, including the places of departure and arrival.
- iv. The travel from India shall be on the non-scheduled commercial flights, as are allowed by MoCA.
- v. Indian seafarers/ crew seeking to accept contracts to serve on vessels abroad, can travel on the non-scheduled commercial flights as allowed by MOCA or the flights arranged by their employers subject to clearance given by the Ministry of Shipping.
- vi. Before the tickets of such persons are confirmed, the airline concerned will ensure that the destination country allows entry of such persons with valid visa in that country. The conditions, if any, imposed by the destination country, will have to be fulfilled by the person intending to travel.
- vii. The cost of travel, as specified by the carrier, will be borne by such travellers as prescribed.
- viii. At the time of boarding the flight, MoCA will ensure that all travellers undergo thermal screening as per health protocol. Only asymptomatic travellers would be allowed to board the flight.
- ix. While on board the flight, required precautions such as wearing of masks, environmental hygiene, respiratory hygiene, hand hygiene etc. are to be observed by airline staff, crew and all passengers.

Annexure -4
Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Offences and Penalties for Violation of Lockdown Measures

A. Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005

51. Punishment for obstruction, etc.—Whoever, without reasonable cause —

(a) obstructs any officer or employee of the Central Government or the State Government, or a person authorised by the National Authority or State Authority or District Authority in the discharge of his functions under this Act; or

(b) refuses to comply with any direction given by or on behalf of the Central Government or the State Government or the National Executive Committee or the State Executive Committee or the District Authority under this Act,

shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine, or with both, and if such obstruction or refusal to comply with directions results in loss of lives or imminent danger thereof, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years.

52. Punishment for false claim.—Whoever knowingly makes a claim which he knows or has reason to believe to be false for obtaining any relief, assistance, repair, reconstruction or other benefits consequent to disaster from any officer of the Central Government, the State Government, the National Authority, the State Authority or the District Authority, shall, on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

53. Punishment for misappropriation of money or materials, etc.—Whoever, being entrusted with any money or materials, or otherwise being, in custody of, or dominion over, any money or goods, meant for providing relief in any threatening disaster situation or disaster, misappropriates or appropriates for his own use or disposes of such money or materials or any part thereof or wilfully compels any other person so to do, shall on conviction be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to two years, and also with fine.

54. Punishment for false warning.—Whoever makes or circulates a false alarm or warning as to disaster or its severity or magnitude, leading to panic, shall on conviction, be punishable with imprisonment which may extend to one year or with fine.

55. Offences by Departments of the Government.—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by any Department of the Government, the head of the Department shall be deemed to be guilty of the offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly

unless he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised all due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a Department of the Government and it is proved that the offence has been committed with the consent or connivance of, or is attributable to any neglect on the part of, any officer, other than the head of the Department, such officer shall be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

56. Failure of officer in duty or his connivance at the contravention of the provisions of this Act.—Any officer, on whom any duty has been imposed by or under this Act and who ceases or refuses to perform or withdraws himself from the duties of his office shall, unless he has obtained the express written permission of his official superior or has other lawful excuse for so doing, be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine.

57. Penalty for contravention of any order regarding requisitioning.—If any person contravenes any order made under section 65, he shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine or with both.

58. Offence by companies.—(1) Where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company or body corporate, every person who at the time the offence was committed, was in charge of, and was responsible to, the company, for the conduct of the business of the company, as well as the company, shall be deemed to be guilty of the contravention and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly:

Provided that nothing in this sub-section shall render any such person liable to any punishment provided in this Act, if he proves that the offence was committed without his knowledge or that he exercised due diligence to prevent the commission of such offence.

(2) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-section (1), where an offence under this Act has been committed by a company, and it is proved that the offence was committed with the consent or connivance of or is attributable to any neglect on the part of any director, manager, secretary or other officer of the company, such director, manager, secretary or other officer shall also, be deemed to be guilty of that offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished accordingly.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this section—

- (a) “company” means anybody corporate and includes a firm or other association of individuals; and
- (b) “director”, in relation to a firm, means a partner in the firm.

59. Previous sanction for prosecution.—No prosecution for offences punishable under sections 55 and 56 shall be instituted except with the previous sanction of the Central Government or the State Government, as the case may be, or of any officer authorised in this behalf, by general or special order, by such Government.

60. Cognizance of offences.—No court shall take cognizance of an offence under this Act except on a complaint made by—

- (a) the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised in this behalf by that Authority or Government, as the case may be; or
- (b) any person who has given notice of not less than thirty days in the manner prescribed, of the alleged offence and his intention to make a complaint to the National Authority, the State Authority, the Central Government, the State Government, the District Authority or any other authority or officer authorised as aforesaid.

B. Section 188 in the Indian Penal Code, 1860

188. Disobedience to order duly promulgated by public servant.—Whoever, knowing that, by an order promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, he is directed to abstain from a certain act, or to take certain order with certain property in his possession or under his management, disobeys such direction, shall, if such disobedience causes or tends to cause obstruction, annoyance or injury, or risk of obstruction, annoyance or injury, to any person lawfully employed, be punished with simple imprisonment for a term which may extend to one month or with fine which may extend to two hundred rupees, or with both; and if such disobedience causes or tends to cause danger to human life, health or safety, or causes or tends to cause a riot or affray, shall be punished with imprisonment of either description for a term which may extend to six months, or with fine which may extend to one thousand rupees, or with both.

Explanation.—It is not necessary that the offender should intend to produce harm, or contemplate his disobedience as likely to produce harm. It is sufficient that he knows of the order which he disobeys, and that his disobedience produces, or is likely to produce, harm.


Illustration

An order is promulgated by a public servant lawfully empowered to promulgate such order, directing that a religious procession shall not pass down a certain street. A knowingly disobeys the order, and thereby causes danger of riot. A has committed the offence defined in this section.

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मुख्य सचिव/मुख्य कार्यकारी अधिकारी 

Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

SOP on preventive measures to be followed while conducting examinations to contain spread of COVID-19

Examination centres are frequented by large number of students (as well as their parents) and staff till the entire duration of the exam and therefore, it's vital to plan and conduct these examinations, while following specific preventive measures, as detailed in the paragraphs below.

1. Generic preventive measures

The generic measures include simple public health measures that are to be followed to reduce the risk of COVID-19. These measures need to be observed by all (staff, students and parents) in these places at all times.

These include:

- i. Physical distancing of at least 6 feet to be followed as far as feasible.
- ii. Use of face covers/masks to be made mandatory.
- iii. Practice frequent hand washing with soap (for at least 40-60 seconds) even when hands are not visibly dirty. Use of alcohol-based hand sanitizers (for at least 20 seconds) can be made wherever feasible.
- iv. Respiratory etiquette to be strictly followed. This involves strict practice of covering one's mouth and nose while coughing/sneezing with a tissue/handkerchief/flexed elbow and disposing off used tissues properly.
- v. Self-monitoring of health by all and reporting any illness at the earliest.
- vi. Spitting shall be strictly prohibited.
- vii. Installation & use of Aarogya Setu App shall be advised to all, as far as feasible.

2. All Universities/Educational Institutions/Examination Conducting Authorities/Examination centers shall specifically ensure the following arrangements:

a) Planning of examinations

- i. Only those examination centers which are outside the containment zone shall be allowed to function. Staff/examinees from containment zones shall not be permitted. Such examinees shall be given an opportunity to undertake the examination through other means or the Universities/Educational Institution shall arrange for taking exam at a later date for such students.
- ii. Universities/ Educational Institutions/ Examination Conducting Authorities/ Examination centers may plan out the examination schedule in a staggered manner so as to avoid overcrowding at any examination center on any day.

- iii. Keeping in view the physical distancing norms, institutions should have adequate room capacity to ensure proper seating arrangement for examination.
- iv. Appropriate arrangements for personal protection gears like face covers/masks, and other logistic like hand sanitizers, soap, sodium hypochlorite solution etc. shall be made available by Universities/ Educational Institutions/Examination Conducting Authorities/Examination centers to the staff as well as students as per requirements.
- v. Exam functionary and examinees may also submit self-declaration about health status at the time of entrance to the examination center. Such self-declaration form may be circulated at the time of issue of admit tickets. A simple do's and dont's/ Advisory may also be circulated at the time of issue of admit tickets.
- vi. Students should also be given prior information on what they should carry, which includes exam related documents (Admit card, ID card etc) , face mask, water bottle, hand sanitizer etc.
- vii. Adequate manpower shall be deployed by the Institution for maintaining discipline (to ensure observance to distancing norms and other preventive measures at all times) during conduct of the examination.
- viii. Adequate number of registration rooms and manpower for document verification and recording of attendance shall be planned duly ensuring social distancing norms.
- ix. Invigilators and supervisory staff need to be briefed on the code of conduct in the context of COVID.
- x. Provisions must be made for display of Posters/standees/AV media on preventive measures about COVID-19 prominently at the examination center (outside and inside).
- xi. The examination center should have a designated isolation room for isolating any person who is found symptomatic at the time of screening or during examination, till such time medical advice may be sought. A clear policy on allowing symptomatic candidates to undertake examinations shall be delineated by the Examination Conducting Authorities in advance.

b) Transportation to and from the examination center

If any transportation is arranged by educational institutions conducting examinations, proper sanitization of buses/other transport vehicles shall be ensured.

c) Entry and exit to the examination center

- i. Entrances to have mandatory hand hygiene and thermal screening provisions. If any examination functionary/examinee fails to meet the self-declaration criteria, they shall not be allowed entry.
- ii. Only asymptomatic staff and students shall be allowed inside the examination hall.
- iii. In regular course, a symptomatic candidate should be referred to the nearest health center and given an opportunity to undertake the examination through other means or the Universities/Educational Institution shall arrange for taking exam at a later date when the student is declared physically fit. However, if a student is found to be symptomatic and insists on giving the examination, he may be allowed to take examination by shifting the candidate to a separate isolation room. The permission in such cases shall be granted as per the policy already enunciated on the issue by the Examination Conducting Authorities.
- iv. All staff and students to be allowed entry only if using face cover/masks. The face cover/mask has to be worn at all times inside the examination center by all.

- v. Enough entry & exits gates for students and staff shall be ensured to avoid overcrowding.
- vi. Maintaining physical distancing of a minimum of 6 feet, when queuing up for entry and inside the center as far as feasible.
- vii. Specific markings may be made with sufficient distance to manage the queue and ensure social distancing in the premises.
- viii. Proper crowd management in the examination center as well as outside premises like parking lots, waiting areas — duly following physical distancing norms shall be ensured.
- ix. Bags/books/mobiles should not be allowed in the examination center.
- x. The examinees will be taken to a registration room in batches maintaining adequate physical distancing norms for document verification and recording of attendance. Thereafter they will be escorted in batches to the allotted examination hall.
- xi. Frisking of examinees, if needed, shall be undertaken after thermal screening. Personnel involved in frisking shall wear triple layer medical mask in addition to gloves. Proper hand hygiene shall be maintained by such personnel every time they change their gloves.
- xii. On completion of exam, the candidates should be permitted to move out in an orderly manner

d) Special precautions for high risk individuals

- i. All staff that is at high risk (older employees, pregnant employees and employees who have underlying medical conditions) shall not be deployed for invigilation/conduct of examination.
- ii. Such staff should preferably be deployed in tasks not requiring direct contact with the students.

e) Movement within the examination center, seating arrangement including conduct of examination

- i. Number of people in the elevators shall be restricted, duly maintaining physical distancing norms.
- ii. Provision of wheelchairs, if warranted, should be ensured and these should be disinfected regularly.
- iii. In case of PwD candidate availing a scribe, both the candidate and scribe must wear the masks and be made to sit with adequate physical distancing.
- iv. Institutions may adopt contact less processes like OR code, online forms, digital signatures for the examination.
- v. Adequate arrangements for safe drinking water (preferably with disposable cups/glasses) be made in the examination hall.
- vi. Seating arrangement in the examination hall to be made in such a way that adequate social distancing is maintained.
- vii. For pen & paper based tests, the invigilator will sanitize his hands prior to distribution of question papers/answer sheets. The examinees will also sanitize their hands before receiving such papers and handing them back to invigilators. The collection and packing of the answer sheets, at every stage will involve sanitization of the hands. The answer sheets will preferably be opened up after 72 hours have elapsed post collection of papers.
- viii. Use of spit/saliva for counting/distributing sheets shall not be allowed.
- ix. Sharing of personal belongings/stationery shall not be allowed.

- x. For online/computer based examination, the systems shall be disinfected using alcohol wipes before and after conduct of examination.
- xi. Record of all exam functionaries/examinees shall be maintained in the system for future reference and traceability.
- xii. For air-conditioning/ventilation, the guidelines of CPWD shall be followed which emphasize that the (i) temperature setting of all air conditioning devices should be in the range of 24-30°C, (ii) relative humidity should be in the range of 40- 70%, (iii) re-circulation of air to be avoided to the extent possible, (iv) intake of fresh air should be as much as possible and (v) cross ventilation should be adequate.

f) Sanitation and Hygiene

- i. Examination hall and other common areas shall be sanitized each time before and after examination.
- ii. Effective and frequent sanitation within the premises shall be maintained with particular focus on lavatories, drinking and hand washing stations/areas.
- iii. Cleaning and regular disinfection (using 1% sodium hypochlorite) of frequently touched surfaces (door knobs, elevator buttons, hand rails, benches, washroom fixtures, etc.) to be made mandatory in all examination hall and other common areas.
- iv. Students and staff should be advised to dispose of used face covers / masks in covered bins available at the center. The waste thus generated may be disposed off in accordance with the hazardous waste disposal guidelines.

g) SOP to be followed in case of a suspect case or person who develops symptoms during the conduct of examination

- i. Place the ill person in a room or area where they are isolated from others.
- ii. The person will remain isolated while wearing a mask/face cover till such time he/she is examined by a doctor.
- iii. The examinees exhibiting symptoms and willing to give the examination, may be allowed to take examination by shifting the candidate to a separate isolation room.
- iv. If symptoms deteriorate, inform the nearest medical facility (hospital/clinic) or call the state or district helpline.
- v. A risk assessment shall be undertaken by the designated public health authority (district RRT/treating physician) and accordingly further action be initiated regarding management of case, his/her contacts and need for disinfection.
- vi. Disinfection of the premises to be taken up if the person is found positive.

It may be noted that the SOP detailed above provides for minimum precautions to be followed during planning and conduct of examinations. Universities/ Educational Institutions/ Examination Conducting Authorities/ Examination centers may put additional measures in place as per their local assessment and in line with activities permitted by Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) as per MHA orders issued under Disaster Management Act, 2005 from time to time.