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To

All Collectors,
Odisha.

Sub: Activities to be undertaken by Gaon Kalyan Samiti (GKS) during the State wide integrated campaign for (a) Active Surveillance for COVID-19 (b) Active Case Finding for TB (c) Screening for NCD and sensitization of vulnerable persons and (d) Surveillance & sensitization for MDD and IDCM.

Madam/Sir,

As you are aware, the entire world is struggling with the COVID pandemic for past several months. Due to the consistent efforts of our frontline functionaries and involvement of the Gram Panchayat in the State, we have contained the epidemic to a considerable extent. The coming few months are critical to further limit the spread of COVID-19. During the rainy season, morbidity due to water and vector borne diseases in Odisha are likely to high.

In view of the above, a statewide integrated campaign to be organized from 16th June, 2020 to 31st July, 2020 on

- (a) Active Surveillance for COVID-19
- (b) Active Case Finding for TB
- (c) Screening for NCD and sensitization of vulnerable persons and
- (d) Surveillance & sensitization for MDD and IDCM.

Gaon Kalyan Samiti (GKS) will play an important role during this campaign and will undertake the following activities at the village level:-

- Conduct special monthly COVID-19 awareness meetings in the village involving the community members, SHGs, village youth volunteers and others members of the community.
- Undertake monthly cleanliness and sanitation drives in the village and promote personal hygiene.
- Sensitize the community on the importance of use of mask, hand washing practices, prevent spitting in public places and observing social distancing in their day to day activities through Swasthya Kantha and wall writing.
- Make people aware the self-monitoring of their health for flu like symptoms.
- Conduct surveillance of the community and inform 104 if any symptomatic cases are identified.

- Take steps to disseminate correct information among villagers and discourage social boycotting of the people coming from outside to their villages and prevent stigma related to COVID-19 patients.
- Promote home isolation of symptomatic cases with the support of frontline health workers.
- Prevent gathering of people in the village in observation of any social functions and ensure maintenance of proper social distancing.
- Verification of the LLIN/ITN/bed net use at the household level on a regular basis and source reduction of the mosquito breeding.
- Promotion of the use of safe drinking water, awareness generation on the prevention and control of diarrhoea and facilitate referral of severe dehydration cases to the health facility.

You are therefore requested to issue necessary directions for undertaking the above mentioned activities by GKS at the community level. The IEC prototypes to be used at village level for creating awareness during the campaign are being communicated. The annual untied fund of Gaon Kalyan Samiti may be utilized for undertaking the above activities. With our consistent efforts we will be able to successfully combat COVID-19 in our State along with prevention and management of malaria, dengue and diarrhea.

Yours faithfully


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Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Memo No. 13514/ACSHFW

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