



GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

No. HFW-SCH-I-EMER-0001-2020 9570 /H, Date 03.04.2020

In supersession of the Notification No.8301/H, dtd.18.03.2020 issued by this Department and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 2, 3 & 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 (the Act), the Government of Odisha is pleased to issue following Regulations regarding COVID-19 (Corona Virus Disease 2019):

1) Short Title & Extent :-

- i. These regulations may be called 'The Odisha COVID-19 Regulations, 2020'.
- ii. They shall extent to the whole of the State of Odisha.

2) Definitions:-

- i. COVID-19 means the Corona Virus Disease caused by Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus2 (SARS CoV 2) as defined by the World Health Organization (WHO)/ Government of India.
- ii. 'Empowered Officer' means officers empowered under Section 2(1) of the Act to take such measures as are necessary to prevent the outbreak of COVID-19 or the spread thereof within their respective jurisdictions.

The following officers are empowered to exercise jurisdiction in the whole State:

- Director, Public Health (DPH).
- Director, Health Services (DHS).
- Director, Medical Education & Training (DMET).

The following officers are empowered to act in their respective jurisdictions:

- Collector & CDM&PHO
- Municipal Commissioner
- Sub-Collector
- Tahasildar
- BDO
- Executive Officer of Urban Local Bodies

- iii. 'Home Quarantine' means confining a person to a dwelling unit or part thereof with a purpose to minimize possibility of direct or indirect contact with other persons for the containment and better prevention of the spread of COVID-19.

- iv. 'COVID Hospital' means a hospital declared as such by the State Government/Empowered Officer for isolation and treatment of suspect/confirmed COVID-19 cases.

3) Duties and Responsibilities of the Hospitals:-

- i. All hospitals (government & private) shall have separate and distinct COVID-19 corners for screening of suspected cases of COVID-19.
- ii. All Medical Officers & other healthcare personnel engaged in screening shall be provided with appropriate protective gear.
- iii. All hospitals (government & private) during screening of such cases shall record the history of travel of the person to any country or area where COVID-19 has been reported. In addition, the history of contacts of the suspected or confirmed case of COVID-19 is also required to be recorded.
- iv. In case the person has any history of travel abroad or outside the state in last 14 days and he/she is asymptomatic, he/ she must be advised to remain in home quarantine for minimum 14 days from the day of exposure. He / she shall also be briefed about the Home Quarantine Guidelines issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India & the State Government and asked to abide by it meticulously. Any non-compliance will lead to prosecution under the provisions of Indian Penal Code.
- v. Person with travel history and symptoms as per case definition of COVID-19, must be isolated in a hospital and will be tested as per protocol. The close relatives such as family members shall also be either home quarantined or isolated in a health facility based on risk assessment. If any of them develop symptoms, their samples shall also be taken for testing by the hospital.
- vi. Information of all such cases must be given to State Surveillance Unit immediately.
- vii. The COVID suspect/confirmed cases shall be kept and treated in a block/facility which does not allow them to come in contact with other patients.
- viii. The doctors & healthcare personnel attending to such patients shall also not attend to any other patient & stay away from hospital staff attending to non-COVID patients.
- ix. No person other than the Medical Superintendent or person duly authorized by him shall speak to the media regarding persons who are under treatment and isolation. The name, exact address and telephone number of the persons shall not be disclosed. However in exceptional circumstances affecting public health and safety, the name and details of such person(s) may be disclosed, with approval of Govt.
- x. The hospital shall follow all Clinical Management Guidelines issued by Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India and State Govt.
- xi. The hospital management shall ensure that all infection control measures are put in place.

4) Duties & Responsibilities of citizens, institutions & media:

No person / Institution / organization will use any print / electronic / social media for information regarding COVID-19 without prior permission of the

DMET, DPH, DHS or Collector or Medical Superintendent as the case may be. This is to avoid spread of any unauthenticated information and/or rumors regarding COVID-19. If any person / Institution / organization is found indulging in such activity, it will be treated as a punishable offence under these Regulations and other provisions of Law.

5) Duties and Responsibilities of persons coming from abroad :

- i. All persons with a history of travel abroad or outside the state in last 14 days must mandatorily register themselves in the Toll Free Number 104 or on the online portal <https://covid19.odisha.gov.in> within 24 hours of their arrival in the state with basic details such as name, age, address, travel history, telephone number, etc. Advance registration before arrival will be highly preferable.
- ii. Their family members are also duty bound to provide such information if the person is not in a position to do so.
- iii. They will be required to be in home quarantine for minimum 14 days.
- iv. Failure to provide the required information in the portal or in the Toll Free Number 104 will be punishable under the provisions of Indian Penal Code and Code of Criminal Procedure and these Regulations.

5-A) Duties and responsibilities of persons coming from outside the state:

All such persons shall be required to be in home quarantine for at least 14 days and self monitor their health condition. If he/she develops any symptom, he/she shall immediately call Health Helpline 104 and report about his/her health condition.

6) Duties and Responsibilities of persons with flu like symptoms :

All persons having flu like symptoms shall call Health Helpline 104 and report about their personal particulars and health condition.

7) Duties and Responsibilities of Panchayats, Municipal Bodies and Resident Welfare Associations, Hotels / Lodges:

- i. Sarapanch of the G.P., Panchayat Executive Officer, Ward Member, Corporator, Councillor of the Urban Ward, office bearers of the Resident Welfare Associations will promptly report about the arrival of any person (Foreigner as well as Indian) from abroad or outside the state within last 14 days on the 104 Toll Free Number. The information should contain the details such as name, age, telephone number, address, etc. of the person concerned.
- ii. Hotels/Lodges shall also report about the arrival of such persons in 104 Toll Free Number/online portal.
- iii. This information should be provided within 24 hours of the arrival of the person in the locality.

- iv. All such persons shall also be asked to remain on home quarantine for minimum 14 days.
- v. In case the Panchayat / ULB believes that , the person can not be quarantined at home satisfactorily 'or' it is necessary to protect the health of the general public, the person coming from abroad/other states may also be quarantined in the facility created by the panchayat /ULB.

8) Enforcement :

- i. Officers empowered under the Act are authorized to quarantine, isolate and /or admit a person who develops symptoms simulating that of the COVID-19 infection as per the case definition criteria published by WHO or Government of India from time to time. The empowered officer may initiate action under the section 188 of Indian Penal Code (48 of 1860) against the person who refuses to comply to such advice of quarantine, isolation and/or admission.
- ii. In the event of COVID-19 being reported from a defined geographic area such as village, town, ward, colony, settlement, the officers empowered under these Regulations shall be competent to implement following containment measures, but not limited to these, in order to prevent spread of the disease.
 - a) Barring entry and exit of population from the containment area.
 - b) Closure of schools, offices, cinema halls, swimming pools, gyms etc. and banning mass congregations, functions as will be deemed necessary.
 - c) Initiating active and passive surveillance of COVID-19 cases.
 - d) Hospital isolation of all suspected cases and their contacts.
 - e) Designating any building, government or private, as a quarantine facility.
 - f) Any other measure as directed by Health& Family Welfare Department.
- iii. Officers empowered under the Act may impose required restrictions on assemblies, congregations, institutions and establishments aiming at 'social distancing' as necessary to prevent the outbreak/ containment of COVID-19 within their respective jurisdictions.
- iv. Staff of all Government Departments of the concerned area will be at the disposal of Collectors/Municipal Commissioners and other Empowered Officers for carrying out containment measures. If required, the empowered officer may requisition the services of any other person also. Additionally, services may be outsourced and persons may be engaged under short term contracts.

9) COVID Hospital :

State Govt./ any empowered officer can declare any govt. or private hospital having sufficient infrastructure and manpower for isolation and/or treatment of suspected / confirmed COVID cases. COVID Hospitals shall abide by all instructions and guidelines issued by MoHFW, GoI, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Odisha, DMET, DPH, DHS, the Authorised Officer and the Authorised Medical Officer.

9-A) Any other buildings, Govt. or private can also be requisitioned by the Govt. / empowered officer for utilization of the same for any purpose related to COVID management.

10) Penalty :


Any person/Institution/ organization found violating any provision of these regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of Indian Penal Code (45 of 1860). Empowered Officers may penalize any person/institution/ organization found violating provisions of these Regulations or any further orders issued by Government under these Regulations.

11) Protection to persons acting under the Regulation :

No suit/legal proceedings shall lie against any person for anything done or intended to be done in good faith under this Regulation unless proved otherwise.

12) These Regulations shall come into force with immediate effect and shall remain valid for a period of one year from the date of its publication.

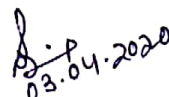
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Principal Secretary to Government.

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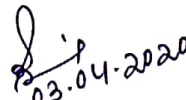
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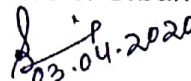
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
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
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
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
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Joint Secretary to Government.