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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Sri Subroto Bagchi, Chief Spokesperson of Govt. of Odisha on COVID-19, Sri Deoranjana Kumar Singh, Principal Secretary, Panchayatiraj & Drinking Water Department, Sri Sanjay Kumar Singh, Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Information & Public Relations Department and Prof. Dr. Jayant Panda, SCB Medical College briefed the Press about steps taken by Government of Odisha for prevention of COVID-19.

- Development Commissioner-cum-Additional Chief Secretary Sri Suresh Chandra Mohapatra and Secretary to Chief Minister (5T) Sri V.K. Pandian visited Nayagarh and reviewed management of COVID Hospital in Nayagarh District.
- In view of the reporting of COVID-19 positive cases in Ganjam, a Team consisting of Director, Family Welfare and Scientist, RMRC, Bhubaneswar has been deputed to the district to supervise surveillance and containment measures. In addition, a Rapid Response Team has been also constituted to strengthen surveillance, contact tracing, testing and medical preparedness in the district. Health & Family Welfare Department has issued an Order to this effect.
- On the request of Health & Family Welfare Department, one Rapid Response Team (RRT) from AIIMS, Bhubaneswar is visiting Bolangir for strengthening surveillance activities & medical response.
- Odia brothers and sisters are returning Odisha every day since 3rd May. 7451 Odia people have returned to Odisha today. So far 35540 Odias have returned to Odisha. Returnees are coming by train/bus and other vehicles.
- Quarantine for 14 days is compulsory for the returnees to Odisha. For urban areas, Home Quarantine is the preferred option. Wherever home quarantine is not feasible institutional quarantine for them will be arranged by the ULB. Returnee may also opt for paid quarantine in a Hotel/Lodge identified for the purpose. Institutional quarantine is compulsory for the returnees in Rural Areas. The Quarantine Authority for the Rural Areas will however, in case of pregnant and lactating women/children/students/professionals/

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transgender and physically & mentally challenged, allow Home Quarantine. Wherever it is not feasible, such categories of returnees will be provided with special facilities. Department of Revenue and Disaster Management has issued order in this regard.

- About 12,000 Temporary Medical Centres/Camps have been readied in 6798 Gram Panchayats of the State. In all these Centres, around 5 lakh beds have been arranged to provide COVID-19 health services in rural areas.
- The Temporary Health Centres/Camps are provided with all basic facilities and priority has been given on sanitation and cleanliness. Quality food as per the Menu Chart is served. Personal Protective Equipments (PPE) are used by the health workers along with other service providers working in these centres/camps.
- Today, 3,13,084 destitute and helpless persons have been provided with food in 5043 Gram Panchayats. Similarly, in 114 ULBs 35,732 persons have been provided with food.
- From 5th May morning to 6th May morning, 21 no of cases have been registered by the Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19 of which 18 no. of cases for violation of lock down, 2 case for violation of Home Quarantine and 1 case related to other issues. 23 persons have been arrested by police for different violations.

### **Health Update**

- Up to midnight of 5th May, 47454 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 185.
- 61 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 2.
- No of active cases are 122.
- 234 persons are in hospital isolation.

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