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ADMINISTRATOR REVIEWS ARRANGEMENTS IN THE CITY : WAR ROOM DIRECTIONS

Hon'ble Governor of Punjab and Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. VP Singh Badnore today presided over Daily War Room meeting. The meeting was attended by Sh. Manoj Parida, Adviser, UT, Chandigarh and Sh. Sanjay Beniwal, Director General of Police at Raj Bhawan. The Administrator also interacted with Sh. Arun Gupta, Principal Secretary (Home), Sh. AK Sinha, Finance Secretary, Sh. KK Yadav, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation and Sh. Mandip Singh Brar, Deputy Commissioner, Chandigarh, Deputy Commissioners of Mohali & Panchkula, Director-PGIMER, Director Health Services and Director Principal, GMCH through Video Conferencing.

WAR ROOM DIRECTIONS

1. The Hon'ble Administrator stressed on the need of providing routine services for regular patients of TB and vaccines for the children, which might have been disturbed during the curfew period. He also directed Commissioner, Municipal Corporation to ensure that the cleanliness in various sectors should be stepped up in areas, where garbage have accumulated due to absence of employees. The doctors of various medical institutions expressed their apprehension regarding the patients from outside coming to Chandigarh for emergency cases without prior COVID checking. The Administrator directed Principal Secretary (Health) to prepare a list of such cases, so that the matter could be taken up with the neighbouring states and sorted out.

2. The Administrator mentioned that it has come to the notice that some media organizations' are reporting wrong information regarding the number of COVID cases, thereby creating panic in the minds of people. He warned that such Fake News should be avoided, otherwise, necessary action will be taken under relevant legal provisions.

- Dr. G. Dewan, Director Health Services informed that 11,153 persons in 2541 households have been covered under house to house survey in Bapu Dham Colony today.
- Sh. Mandip Singh Brar, Deputy Commissioner stated that 1,65,719 lacs cooked food packets have been distributed among the destitutes and needy persons in various parts of the city yesterday. He further informed that Rs. 1.78 crores has been received in the Red Cross Corona Fund till date. He also mentioned that 2,09,369 Aarogya Setu Applications have been downloaded.
- Sh. AK Sinha, Finance Secretary stated that a total procurement of 7,650 MTs of wheat has been made from the farmers till date.
- Sh. K K Yadav, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation mentioned that necessary arrangements have been made for meeting higher water demand from the consumers during summer. Special arrangements for tankers have also been made.
- Sh. Vinod P. Kavle, Secretary, Food & Supplies stated that 50,500 eligible families have already been distributed wheat and pulses under PMGKAY, thereby achieving the target of 80% of the population so far in UT, Chandigarh.
- Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, Principal Secretary (Health) stated that regular coordination meeting is taking place with all the medical institutions. Arrangements will be made for home quarantine of such persons, who would like to stay at home instead of availing hospital facilities provided they have infrastructure for physical-social distancing at home. This will cover only those cases, which are having no symptom or mild symptom of COVID. Principal Secretary (Health) denied floating rumours about sealing of some other areas in Chandigarh. He clarified that only SIX affected pockets have been sealed, namely, Part of Bapu Dham Colony; Part of Sector 30-B; Kacchi Colony, Dhanas; Part of Shastri Nagar; Part of Sector 38 and Part of Sector 52.

- Manoj Parida, Adviser stated that a list is under preparation for the stranded people, who would like to go out of Chandigarh such people can register themselves on website or can call on the tollfree number. He mentioned that Sh. Rajiv Tewari has been appointed as nodal officer for coordination of movement of stranded persons. The Adviser further mentioned that Deputy Commissioner has been advised to liberally give passes for inter-state movement of persons since Central Government has now allowed such movement for stranded people as per norms.
- The Hon'ble Administrator directed Commissioner, Municipal Corporation to ensure that all Gaushalas have necessary fodder and he also stressed that such people, who do not have ration cards should be identified and given some assistance from the Administration in the form of dry ration packets. The Administrator mentioned that the new guidelines received from Ministry of Home Affairs today will be examined and implemented in Chandigarh