

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC RELATIONS

CHANDIGARH ADMINISTRATION

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Chandigarh.26th August,2020:Hon'ble Governor of Punjab and Administrator, UT Chandigarh, Sh. VP Singh Badnore today presided over War Room meeting. The meeting was attended by Sh. Manoj Parida, Adviser to the Administrator, Sh. Arun Kumar Gupta, Principal Secretary (Home), Sh. Sanjay Beniwal, Director General of Police, Sh. KK Yadav, Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Deputy Commissioners of Mohali & Panchkula, Director-PGIMER, Director Health Services & Director Principal, GMCH through Video Conferencing.

WAR ROOM DIRECTIONS

1. Dr. Jagat Ram, Director, PGIMER stated that they have 160 Covid patients in Nehru Hospital Extension, out of which 50 belong to Chandigarh, 62 to Punjab, 28 to Haryana and 10 to Himachal Pradesh. He also stated that they have tested 926 samples, out of which 90 were found positive. Among the positive samples, 51 belong to Chandigarh. Dr. BS Chavan, Director Principal, GMCH stated that they tested 330 samples in RT-PCR, out of which 80 were found positive. Dr. G. Dewan, Director Health Services stated that they have tested 917 covid samples, out of which 562 were Antigen samples. He also stated that fogging has been done in Sectors 43 and 44.

2. Deputy Commissioner, Mohali stated that they have 1,738 active cases. Deputy Commissioner, Panchkula stated that they have 508 active cases and Deputy Commissioner, Chandigarh stated that they have 1,456 active cases.

3. Dr Dewan mentioned that 22,744 persons have already registered for Digital Health Cards, which is highest in the country. After detailed discussions, the Administrator directed

that all efforts should be made to ensure that the entire population of Chandigarh is covered under National Digital Health Mission. All residents must go for Digital Health Cards.

4. The Hon'ble Governor Punjab and Administrator, U.T., Chandigarh advised Director, PGIMER that if there are mild and stable cases in Nehru Hospital Extension, they could be shifted to other places, so that the beds remain reserved for critical patients only.

5. Adviser, Manoj Parida informed the Administrator that Government of India's team, led by Dr. Parveen Gedam, Additional CEO of National Health Authority visited U.T., Secretariat and appreciated the efforts already taken to popularize Digital Health Cards.

6. Adviser, Manoj Parida also informed the Administrator that 5 months' ration quota (wheat and pulses) will be distributed in various centres shortly under Extended Prime Minister Garib Kalyan Anna Yojna.

7. The Administrator directed Shri Mukesh Anand, Chief Engineer, U.T. to ensure that the facilities being provided in various Covid Care Centres are improved. Proper sanitization and maintenance should be done, so that there is no inconvenience to the patients.

8. The Administrator directed Shri K.K. Yadav, Commissioner, MC to conduct regular sanitization in different area to contain spread of covid infection and other monsoon related diseases.