Subject: Instructions for 100% RTPCR testing of incoming passengers by trains and other means—regarding.

Government Order No: 51-JK(DMRRR) of 2020
Dated: 11.05.2020

1) Whereas, the Government of India vide its Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 11.05.2020 has notified standard operating protocol for movement of passengers by scheduled train services, which are due to commence from 12.05.2020; and

2) Whereas, Ministry of Railways is also operating special Shramik Trains for bringing back students, stranded persons and others, the first of which is due to arrive on 12.05.2020; and

3) Whereas, consequent upon Government of India's decision to allow movement of trains in a graded manner, it is felt necessary to issue mandatory instructions for 100% RTPCR testing of incoming passengers by trains and other means in order to prevent spread of COVID-19.

4) Now therefore, in exercise of powers conferred upon the undersigned, in his capacity as the Chairperson of State Executive Committee, under Section 24 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the following instructions are notified for mandatory compliance by all concerned:-

   i. All passengers arriving by trains or any other means into the UT of Jammu and Kashmir shall be 100% tested using the RTPCR method for which the Health and Medical Education Department is making necessary arrangements;

   ii. All such passengers will be put into mandatory administrative quarantine by the Nodal Officers/concerned Deputy Commissioners/Divisional Commissioners till test results come out to be negative or till they are sent to hospital if test results are positive.;
iii. All passengers shall be necessarily required to wear face masks/cover and follow social distancing norms.

5) Any violation of these instructions will attract penalties under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and other provisions of law.

(B.V.R. Subrahmanyan)
Chief Secretary
Chairperson, State Executive Committee

No: DMRRR/PS/Secy/551/2020

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