



## **Abstract**

Disaster Management - Covid-19 - Outbreak of Epidemic Covid-19 - Sanction of Fund under SDRF to Medical Officers, Nurses and other categories of health workers working in isolation wards of Government Medical Institutions - Providing accommodation and food - Orders - Issued

## **REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT(DM-II) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Ms)No.208**

**Dated:24.04.2020**

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திருவள்ளூர் ஆண்டு 2051

### **Read:**

From the Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Proposal dated 23.4.2020

### **ORDER:**

In Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs (Disaster Management Division) Lr. No.33-4/2020/NDM-1, dated 14.3.2020, it has been informed that the Central Government keeping in view the spread of COVID-19 Virus in India and the declaration of COVID-19 as pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO), by way of a special onetime dispensation, has decided to treat it as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF. The list of norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF has also been communicated by Government of India. The Government of Tamil Nadu vide its Notification No.118 dated 14.03.2020, (G.O.Ms.No.95, Health and Family Welfare (P1) Department, dated 13.3.2020) have declared that Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) as a notified disease in the State of Tamil Nadu.

2. Further, the meeting of the Tamil Nadu State Disaster Management Authority was conducted by the Chairman, TNSDMA/ Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu on 9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March 2020 to take stock of the situation prevailing due to the outbreak of Covid-19 and issued instructions on containment of Covid-19.

3. The Health and Family Welfare Department has stated that the Medical Officers, Nurses and other categories of health workers working the nCovid 19 isolation wards in Government Medical Institutions are allotted duty for 14 days schedule and replaced by another batch for the

next 14 days and during the above 14 days duty period they have to be provided with accommodation and food during non duty hours, in hotels so as to avoid spreading of disease to the families of the above personnel.

4. The Health and Family Welfare Department has further stated that the approximate fund required to accommodate around 10,000 Medical Officers/Nurses and other categories of health workers would be around Rs.60 crore to Rs.70 crore and the expenditure may be met from the State Disaster Response Fund and released to the Food Safety Commissionerate to execute.

5. The Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration has stated that considering that at given point 2000 doctors would be in lay off (since specific details are yet to be provided) considering the urgency it is suggested that for the next 30 day @ Rs.2500 per room(max) x 2000 persons initially Rs.15 crore may be sanctioned. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration has further stated that at the district level the Collector in coordination with the Health Dean/JD Health/DD Health and Food Safety officials ensure that best rates are obtained and the amount may be released to the Food Safety Commissionerate as a Nodel department head for redistribution to districts and effective utilisation.

6. The Government after careful examination accept the proposal of the Principal Secretary/Commissioner of Revenue Administration and based on the approval of State Executive Committee accord initial sanction of **Rs.15 crore (Rupees Fifteen crore only) from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF)** to Health and Family Welfare Department for providing accommodation/food to the Medical Officers, Nurses and other categories of health workers working in the nCOVID-19 isolation wards in Government Medical Institutions on the following condition:

The arrangements of hotels may be done through District Collectors/Corporation Commissioners with an overall ceiling of Rs.2500/- per room per day.

7. The above expenditure sanctioned in Para 6 above shall be debited to the following head of account :-

2245 Relief on Account of Natural Calamities - 80 General - 800 Other expenditure State's Expenditure - AH Disaster Preparedness /Preventive measures to contain the outbreak of Corona Virus (Covid 19) - 309 Grants-in-Aid - 09 Others

(Old DPC 2245 80 800 AH 0998)

(IFHRMS DPC 2245 80 800 AH 30909)

8. Necessary additional funds will be provided in RE/FMA 2020-21. Pending provision of such funds, the Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration is authorised to draw and disburse the amount.

The expenditure shall be brought to the notice of Legislature by specific inclusion in Supplementary Estimate 2020-21. The Principal Secretary/ Commissioner of Revenue Administration is requested to send necessary proposal for inclusion of this expenditure in Revised Estimate 2020-21 and also send necessary explanatory note for inclusion of this expenditure in the Supplementary Estimate 2020-21 at appropriate time.

9. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide its UO.No.235/DS(B)/2020, dated:24.04.2020 with additional sanction ledger No. 0019 (Nineteen)

(By order of the Governor)

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Tamil Nadu Disaster Risk Reduction Agency, Chepauk,  
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The Secretary, Health and Family Welfare Department,  
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The Principal Secretary, Highways and Minor Port Department,  
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The Principal Private Secretary to Additional Chief Secretary  
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The Finance (Revenue/BG-I/BG-II) Department, Ch-09

/Forwarded By Order/

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26/4/2020.

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