GOVERNMENT OF JAMMU AND KASHMIR

Department of Disaster Management, Relief Rehabilitation & Reconstruction
State Executive Committee
Civil Secretariat: J&K, Jammu.

Subject: Protocol for 100 % RTPCR testing of all incoming passengers by air/ train/ road and quarantine procedures to be followed – regarding exemptions

Government Order No. 60-JK (DMRRR) of 2020 Dated: 07.06.2020

- Whereas, the Government of Jammu & Kashmir vide its Order No. 51-JK(DMRRR) of 2020 dated 11.05.2020 and the Circular dated 23.05.2020 issued instructions for mandatory 100% RTPCR testing of all incoming passengers/ travelers by trains or any other means into the UT of Jammu & Kashmir in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19; and
- Whereas, the said instructions also mandated 100% Administrative/ Institutional quarantine of all passengers for 14 days or till their test results are reported negative, in which case they are released for Home Quarantine, or if positive, in which case they are sent to a COVID hospital for recovery and treatment.
- 3) Therefore, in continuation of the above instructions, and in supersession of all orders/ instructions on exemptions issued subsequently, the undersigned, in his capacity as the Chairperson of the State Executive Committee, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 24 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, hereby issues the following additional instructions / modifications/ exemptions to the procedure prescribed in the above circulars:
 - a) The <u>categories of passengers listed below</u>, arriving by air, rail or any other means from outside the UT into the UT of Jammu & Kashmir will have a <u>modified quarantine procedure</u>, whereby they will be <u>sampled on arrival</u> for RTPCR testing and <u>sent to Home Quarantine for 14 days</u>; and, if their test result is positive, will be brought to a COVID hospital for recovery and treatment:
 - i) Pregnant women in the last trimester, with a Doctor's certificate of pregnancy;
 - ii) Cancer patients on chemotherapy;
 - iii) Chronically ill/ organ transplant/ IVF patients, discharged from a hospital after a surgical procedure;

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- iv) Dialysis patients with a doctor's certificate of being on dialysis;
- v) Mothers with infants below 1 year;
- vi) Children below 10 years traveling alone without a family member;
- vii) Government of India personnel on bona fide government duty;
- viii) Ambulance drivers of J&K dropping patients outside the UT, on their return to J&K, if they return within 36 hours of leaving Lakhanpur;

ix) Passengers/ travelers with an RTPCR TEST Negative Certificate from an ICMR approved laboratory/ testing facility, not older than 2

days (48 hours) before the arrival date;

x) Business travelers by air/rail to J&K on business/industrial visits, with a confirmed return air/rail ticket booking within 4 days, confirmed hotel reservation and a business i.d; and,

- xi) Business travelers by road to J&K on business/industrial visits, with an undertaking to return within 4 days, a confirmed hotel reservation and a business i.d.
- b) The testing and quarantine procedures prescribed in the Orders in Paragraph 1 above will be applicable to <u>all air travelers</u> from a Red district to an Orange District within the UT of Jammu & Kashmir.
- c) Business travelers to J&K on business/industrial visits, with a confirmed return air ticket booking, confirmed hotel reservation and a business i.d, will proceed to their hotel from the airport and restrict their interactions to the business purpose for which they have come. They will however be <u>sampled on arrival for RTPCR testing</u> and, if their test result is positive, will be brought to a COVID hospital for isolation, recovery and treatment. They shall also be required to maintain complete details of the persons whom they came in contact with during their stay in J&K.
- d) Ambulance drivers of J&K dropping patients outside the UT, on their return, if they return within 36 hours.
- e) The personnel of Defense and Central Armed Police Forces returning to duty, including transit labour hired by BRO to go to Ladakh, are exempted from compulsory 100% RTPCR testing and administrative/ institutional quarantine in any facility authorized by the Government of Jammu & Kashmir. The said personnel shall be allowed to proceed to the institutional quarantine of their respective Units / Formations for necessary quarantine as per their internal procedures.

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

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Chief Secretary
Chairperson, State Executive Committee

Dated: 07.06.2020

No: DMRRR/PS/Secy/551/2020

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