

COVID 2.0

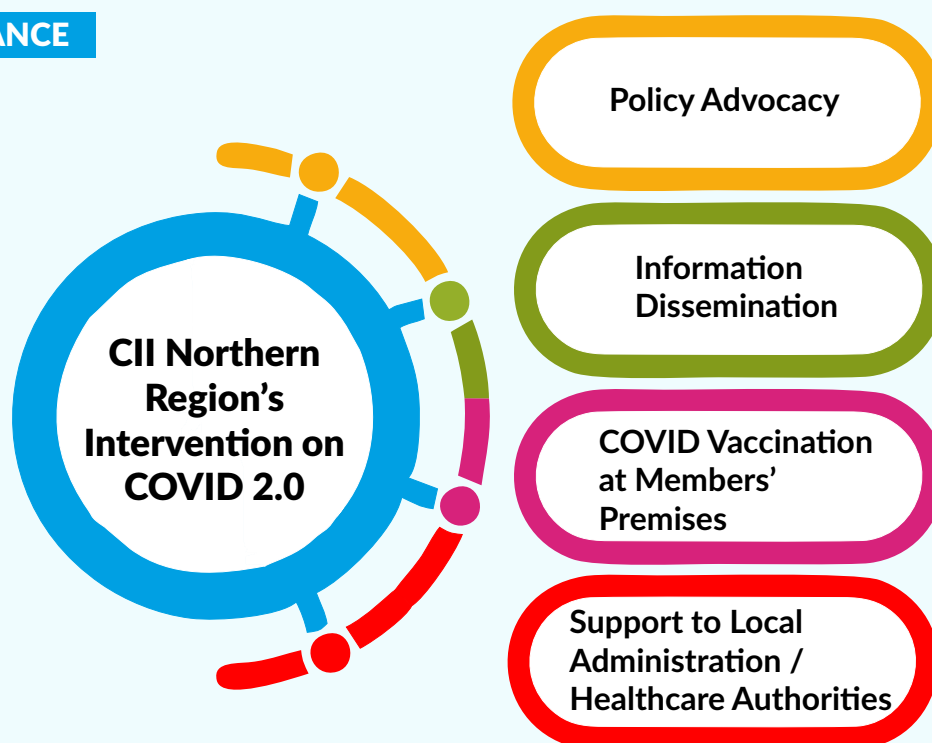
Weekly Northern Region Bulletin

24 April 2021

www.ciicovid19update.in

Issue: I

AT A GLANCE



I. POLICY ADVOCACY

Issues received and resolved

Following state-wise issues received from CII members during this period with their status as on date:

| S.No. | State / UT | Issues Received (in nos.) | Issues Resolved (in nos.) | Outstanding Issues (in nos.) |
|--------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | Chandigarh | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 2 | Delhi | 6 | 2 | 4 |
| 3 | Haryana | 8 | 5 | 3 |
| 4 | Himachal Pradesh | 3 | 1 | 2 |
| 5 | J&K | 1 | 1 | 0 |
| 6 | Ladakh | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | Punjab | 3 | 2 | 1 |
| 8 | Rajasthan | 9 | 6 | 3 |
| 9 | Uttarakhand | 4 | 1 | 3 |
| 10 | Uttar Pradesh | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | | 38 | 20 | 18 |

II. MAJOR DEVELOPMENTS

Union Home Secretary writes to Chief Secretaries of States & Administrators of UTs to Take Necessary Measures to Prohibit Supply of Oxygen for Industrial Purposes in View of Rising Cases of COVID-19

The Union Home Secretary wrote to Chief Secretaries of States and Administrators of Union Territories that they should issue necessary instructions to all authorities concerned in their States/Union Territories to take necessary measures to prohibit supply of oxygen for industrial purpose, except in nine industries

as stated in the letter of the Union Health & Family Welfare Secretary dated 18.04.2021. This is keeping in view the rapid rise in COVID-19 cases in various parts of the country and the resultant rapid demand for medical oxygen.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Interacts with Leaders of Pharma Industry

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi interacted with leaders of pharmaceutical industry via video conferencing appreciating the crucial role of the pharma sector in the fight against the pandemic. To keep the supply of medicines and essential medical equipment going smoothly, he urged the pharma industry to ensure seamless supply chains. He urged the industry to conduct more and more researches on threats which

can occur in the future along with COVID for better preparedness. Seeking cooperation from the pharma industry, Hon'ble Prime Minister assured that government is undertaking reforms for new drugs and regulatory processes. He also extended government's support for facilities like Logistics and Transportation.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Reviews Public Health Response to COVID-19 with the Nation's Leading Doctors

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi interacted with doctors across the country via video conferencing on the COVID-19 issue and vaccination progress. He urged the doctors to educate people against several rumours on Covid treatment &

prevention and use tele-medicine for treatment of other diseases, in case there is no emergency. He also emphasised on counselling the patients admitted in hospitals.

Zero Tolerance Against the Hoarders During COVID Curfews/ Lockdowns

The Department of Consumer Affairs stressed upon all the States/ UTs to adopt zero tolerance against the hoarders so that the supplies of the essential commodities may be maintained during the curfews/ lockdowns imposed due to the pandemic.

During the meeting it was emphasized that the States/ UTs administration is empowered to act against the unscrupulous traders and hoarders for maintenance of supplies of the essential commodities.

DRDO Develops SpO2 Based Supplemental Oxygen Delivery System: A Boon in current COVID-19 pandemic

Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO) has developed SpO2 (Blood Oxygen Saturation) supplemental Oxygen Delivery System for soldiers posted at extreme high-altitude areas. Developed by Defence Bio-Engineering & Electro Medical Laboratory (DEBEL), Bengaluru of DRDO, the system

delivers supplemental oxygen based on the SpO2 levels and prevents the person from sinking in to a state of Hypoxia, which is fatal in most cases, if sets in. This automatic system can also prove to be a boon during the current Covid-19 situation.

Government of India Announces a Liberalised & Accelerated Phase 3 Strategy of COVID-19 Vaccination from 1st May

The National Vaccine Strategy Phase-III aims at liberalised vaccine pricing and scaling up of vaccine coverage. This would augment vaccine production as well as availability, incentivising vaccine manufacturers to rapidly ramp up their production as well as attract new vaccine manufacturers, domestic and international. It would also make pricing, procurement, eligibility and administration of vaccines open and flexible, allowing all stakeholders the flexibility to customise to local needs and dynamics.

The main elements of the Liberalised and Accelerated Phase 3 Strategy of the National Covid-19 Vaccination program that

would come in effect from 1st May 2021, are as follows:-

- Vaccine manufacturers would supply 50% of their monthly Central Drugs Laboratory (CDL) released doses to Government of India and would be free to supply the remaining 50% doses to State Governments and in the open market (hereinafter referred to as other than Government of India channel).
- Manufacturers would transparently make an advance declaration of the price for 50% supply that would be available to State Governments and in open market, before 1 May 2021.

DoPT Issues Guidelines for Strict Compliance by Ministries / Departments of the Central Government in the Wake COVID-19 Situation

In view of the unprecedented rise in the number of COVID-19 cases and to take measures to prevent its spread, Department of Personnel & Training (DoPT), Ministry of Personnel has issued certain/instructions guidelines for strict compliance by Ministries/Departments of the Central government. These

instructions/ guidelines include physical attendance, office safety protocols as well as work from home protocols of the officers that shall come into effect immediately and will remain in force until 30.04.2021 or further orders, whichever is earlier.

Railways Getting Fully Ready to Transport Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) and Oxygen Cylinders

The Railways is getting fully ready to transport Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) and Oxygen Cylinders across the key Corridors. In

order to ensure that parameters of Transportation are tested, trials were conducted at various locations.

Hon'ble PM Address to the Nation on the COVID-19 Situation

On 20th April 2021, Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the nation on the COVID-19 situation. Upon commenting on the increasing demand of oxygen in various parts of the country, he said that Centre, State Governments and private sector are trying that every needy person gets oxygen. Speaking about making vaccination universal, the Hon'ble Prime Minister showed faith in India's 'Made in India' vaccine and urged everyone above 18 years of age to get vaccinated. He requested

the state governments that they should boost the confidence of the workers and convince them to stay wherever they are so that their work does not suffer. Hon'ble Prime Minister said that in today's circumstances, we have to save the country from lockdown. He asked state governments to treat lockdown only as a measure of the last resort and rather concentrate on micro containment zones.

Hon'ble PM Modi Interacts with Vaccine Manufacturers from Across the Country

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi interacted with vaccine manufacturers from across the country. He urged the vaccine manufacturers to continuously scale up the production capacity to vaccinate our people in the shortest possible time. Hon'ble Prime Minister remarked that throughout this process of developing and manufacturing vaccines, the country has constantly worked with the spirit of public-private partnership

under the 'Mission Covid Suraksha', and created an end-to-end vaccine development ecosystem. The Government ensured that all the vaccine manufacturers not only get all possible help and logistic support, but also the process of vaccine approval is speedy and scientific, he added. He also assured all possible support and smooth approval process for the vaccine candidates which are currently under trial phase.

Hon'ble Defence Minister Reviews Preparedness of Ministry of Defence & Armed Forces Amid Spike in COVID-19 Cases

Hon'ble Union Minister for Defence, Shri Rajnath Singh asked the DPSUs, OFB and DRDO to work on war footing to provide oxygen cylinders and extra beds to civil administration/state governments at the earliest. He called upon the Armed Forces to be in close contact with the state governments and be ready to

provide any required assistance. In a significant decision, he directed the Armed Forces and other stakeholders to go ahead with procurement of critical medical requirements under emergency powers of procurement.

All AIIMS Increase their Number of Oxygen Supported Beds as well as ICU-Ventilator Beds

As directed by Government of India, all AIIMS have increased their number of Oxygen supported beds as well as ICU beds with ventilators. They had 1,448 oxygen supported beds and 519

ICU-ventilator beds. This number has been increased to 2,113 Oxygen supported beds and 676 ICU-Ventilator beds.

Rejuvenation of 20 Control Rooms set up to Address Grievances of Workers

In view of the resurgence of COVID-19 and subsequent imposition of certain restrictions by state governments, the Ministry of Labour and Employment has rejuvenated the 20 control rooms set up in April 2020 to mitigate the problems of

migrant workers through co-ordination with various state governments" under the Office of Chief Labour Commissioner (Central) across the country. Lakhs of workers used this facility last year and got their grievances resolved.

Customs Duty on Remdesivir Waived Off

Hon'ble Union Minister for Chemical and Fertilizers, Shri D V Sadanand Gowda informed via Twitter that considering the immediate requirement on the recommendation of the Department of Pharmaceuticals, the Department of Revenue has

waived customs duty on Remdesivir and its API/KSM. This step will further augment domestic availability of Remdesivir injection, he added.

Hon'ble Finance Minister Assures Ramp up in Supply of Oxygen & Remdesivir to States

In a virtual interaction organised by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII), Hon'ble Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs, Smt Nirmala Sitharaman praised the Indian Industry for its extreme forbearance, patience and perseverance, and described it with Japanese word 'Gamanzuyoi'. She emphasised on the need for adopting micro containment strategy in dealing with the 2nd surge of the pandemic and acknowledged that the deliberations with CII had helped shaped this strategy. Elaborating on the recent announcements on the vaccination,

Hon'ble Finance Minister said that the CII's suggestions on opening up of the vaccination to all adults, allowing industry to vaccinate its employees and their families and allowing vaccine imports have all been accepted in the policy.

Welcoming the CII suggestions on mitigating the impact to the economy to save livelihoods, alongside lives, Hon'ble Finance Minister assured an examination of the same.

Hon'ble Prime Minister Holds a High Level Meeting on Oxygen Supply & Availability

Hon'ble Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi chaired a high-level meeting to review the oxygen supply across the country and discuss ways and means to boost its availability.

Hon'ble Prime Minister was informed that an elaborate exercise is being done in co-ordination with the states to identify their demand for oxygen and ensure adequate supply accordingly. He

was briefed on how oxygen supply to states is steadily increasing. It was noted that in the last few days, availability of Liquid Medical Oxygen has been increased by about 3,300 MT/ day with contributions from private and public steel plants, industries, oxygen manufacturers as well as through prohibition of supply of oxygen for non-essential industries.

Oxygen Expresses with Liquid Medical Oxygen (LMO) from Bokaro to UP

The Indian Railway is running Oxygen Express trains in response to its fight against Covid-19. The Oxygen Express started its journey from Lucknow to Bokaro via Varanasi to fulfil the

requirements of Medical Oxygen in Uttar Pradesh. For the movement of the train, a green corridor was created between Lucknow to Varanasi.

Union Government Allocates Supply of Remdesivir to 19 States/UTs with High Burden of COVID cases

The escalation of serious COVID-19 patients in hospitals for effective clinical management has also resulted in an increase in the demand of Remdesivir. While the States have been advised to promote judicious use of the drug which is listed as an Investigational Therapy by the Health Ministry, they have also been advised to take action against possible hoarding and black

marketing of the drug. To address reports of shortages in certain regions of the country and facilitate smooth inter-state supply of Remdesivir, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare in coordination with Department of Pharmaceuticals has made an interim allocation of Remdesivir for 19 States/UTs for the period up to 30th April, 2021.

Drone Use Permission to ICMR for Conducting Feasibility Study of COVID-19 Vaccine Delivery

Ministry of Civil Aviation (MoCA) and Directorate General of Civil Aviation (DGCA) have granted conditional exemption to the Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) for conducting

feasibility study of COVID-19 vaccine delivery using drones in collaboration with IIT Kanpur. The permission exemption is valid for a period of one year or until further orders.

III. GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATIONS RELATED TO COVID-19

| Sr. No. | City/State | Notification Title | Date of Release | Issuance Governing Body | Key Highlights |
|---------|------------|--|-----------------|---|--|
| 01 | Chandigarh | Notification no. DM/MA/2021/6098 | 25 March 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | All restaurants/eating places, hotels including food joints/courts in various malls shall run with 50% of their capacity and shall close by 11 PM. The last order can be taken till 10 PM |
| 02 | | Notification no. DM/MA/2021/7380 | 7 April 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | Prohibition on movement of individuals for all non-essential activities between 10.30 PM – 5 AM |
| 03 | | Notification no. DM/MA/2021/8080 | 13 April 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Night Curfew in Chandigarh between 10 PM – 5 AM to contain the spread of COVID19. All restaurants/eating places, hotels including food joints/courts in various malls shall run with 50% of their capacity and shall close by 09:30 PM. The last order can be taken till 08:30 PM |
| 04 | | Notification no. DM/MA/2021/8335 | 16 April 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | Weekend Lockdown Guidelines in Chandigarh from Friday 16 April 2021, 10:00 PM to Monday 19 April 2021, 05:00 AM to contain the spread of COVID19. |
| 05 | | Notification no. DM/MA/2021/8613 | 20 April 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | Lockdown w.e.f from 20 April 2021, 10:00 PM till 22 April 2021, 05:00 AM to contain the spread of COVID19. |
| 06 | | Notification No. DM / MA / 2021 / 8846 | 23 April 2021 | District Magistrate Cum Chairperson, DDMA UT Chandigarh | Prohibition on movement of individuals/ travelers for all non-essential activities between 9.00 PM – 5.00 AM |

| Sr. No. | City/State | Notification Title | Date of Release | Issuance Governing Body | Key Highlights |
|---------|-----------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|---|--|
| 07 | Delhi | | 11 April 2021 | Govt of NCT of Delhi | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Night curfew from 10 PM – 5 AM till 30th April 2021 (6th April 2021) All educational institutions to remain closed Prohibition on all social / political / sports / entertainment / academic / cultural / religious / festival related and other gatherings and congregations / swimming pools, except being used for training of sports persons (10th April 2021) |
| 08 | | | 15 April 2021 | Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt of NCT of Delhi | Certain hotels are linked to the hospitals for converting them into extended COVID Hospitals (14 April 2021) |
| 09 | | Notification no. F/.02/07/2020/S.1/pt.file-II/376 | 16 April 2021 | Delhi Disaster Management Authority, Govt of NCT of Delhi | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cinemas/Theatres/Multiplexes will be permitted to open with 30% of their seating capacity Imposition of Weekend Curfew from 10 PM on 16 April 2021 - 5 AM on 19 April 2021 |
| 10 | | | 18 April 2021 | Govt of NCT of Delhi, Nursing Home Cell | All Nursing Homes/Private Hospitals to reserve 80% of their ICU bed capacity and 80% of their ward bed capacity for COVID-19 |
| 11 | | Notification no. F.No.567/DGHS/PHW-IV/COVID-19/MoHFW Guidelines/320-322 | 18 April 2021 | DG Health Services, Govt of NCT of Delhi | Guidelines for Gated Residential Complexes desirous of setting up small COVID care facility by RWA/ Residential Societies/ NGOs |
| 12 | | | 19 April 2021 | Govt of NCT of Delhi | Curfew imposed from 10 PM ton 19 April 2021 till 5 AM on 26 April 2021 |
| 13 | | Haryana | Order No. DMC-PO-I-2021/332 | 12 April 2021 | Haryana State Disaster Management Authority |
| 14 | Order No. DMC-SPO/2020/2474 | | 13 April 2021 | Haryana State Disaster Management Authority | Guidelines for enforcement of "Corona Curfew" for containment of COVID-19 Epidemic in the State with immediate effect |
| 15 | Order No. DMC-SPO-2020/2474 | | 13 April 2021 | District Collector, Gurugram | Order regarding issuing the Curfew Passes |
| 16 | Notification no. 62/19/2020/6GS-1 | | 13 April 2021 | General Administration Department, Govt of Haryana | Orders regarding the Honour of passes of other state / UTs in Stare during the night 17curfew |
| 17 | Order No. DMC-SPO-2020/4863 | | 23 April 2021 | Haryana State Disaster Management Authority | Closing of Shops in crowded areas after 06:00 PM. Restaurants/ eating places to only allow home delivery |
| 18 | Himachal Pradesh | Rev(DMC)(C)20-2/2021-COVID19-III | 12 April 2021 | Revenue Department - Disaster Management Cell, Govt of HP | People with mask will only be allowed to board public/private transport and enter any other government or private establishment for availing any service/goods |
| 19 | | Order no SLN/Reader/DM/1-14/89-IV-23663 | 22 April 2021 | District Magistrate, Solan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All shops to remain closed on Saturday and Sunday except those dealing with daily needs items. All shops to remain open from 9 AM to &PM on weekdays |

| Sr. No. | City/State | Notification Title | Date of Release | Issuance Governing Body | Key Highlights |
|---------|-----------------|--|-----------------|---|---|
| 20 | Jammu & Kashmir | Order No. 16-JK(DMRRR) of 2021 | 8 April 2021 | Govt. of J&K, Dept of Disaster Management, Relief, Rehabilitation & Reconstruction/ State Executive Committee, Civil Secretariat, Jammu | Imposition of Night Curfew in 8 districts |
| 21 | | | 11 April 2021 | Govt. of J&K, Dept of Disaster Management, Relief, Rehabilitation & Reconstruction/ State Executive Committee, Civil Secretariat, Jammu | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All schools shall continue to remain closed till 18 April 2021 Imposition of night curfew in 8 districts from 10 PM – 6 AM All Administrative Secretaries in Ladakh to ensure vaccination of all eligible employees working in their respective department |
| 22 | | Order No. 21-JK(DMRRR) of 2021 | 18 April 2021 | Govt. of J&K, Dept of Disaster Management, Relief, Rehabilitation & Reconstruction/ State Executive Committee, Civil Secretariat, Jammu | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All educational institutions shall continue to remain closed till 15 April 2021 Darbar move deferred Civil Secretariat to function in both Srinagar & Jammu |
| 23 | Ladakh | Circular No:- 06-LA (GAD) of 2021 | 9 April 2021 | General Admin Dept., Government of UT of Ladakh | Government employees of the age of 45 years and above advised to get themselves vaccinated and continue to follow Covid-appropriate behaviour |
| 24 | | Circular No- M-17031 (11)/10/2021/ 1067-71 | 21 April 2021 | District Collector, Gurugram | Schools and colleges to remain closed till 30 April 2021 |
| 25 | Punjab | Order no. DCM/MA/2021/4487 | 19 April 2021 | District Magistrate, Sas Nagar (Mohali) | <p>Curfew shall be in place in Mohali:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From 8 AM on 20 April – 5 AM on 22 April 2021 From 8 PM of every Saturday - 5 AM of every Monday From 8 PM – 5 AM (Night Curfew) on all other days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All malls, markets, shops and restaurants (including in hotels) shall be closed (other than essential services) during Curfew. Prohibitions on public gatherings |
| 26 | Rajasthan | Govt of Rajasthan Order | 9 April 2021 | Govt. of Rajasthan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Night curfew from 8 PM – 6 AM till 30 April 2021 and from 6 PM – 6 AM in Udaipur. Educational Institutions will remain closed |
| 27 | | Curfew order | 14 April 2021 | Govt. of Rajasthan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Curfew across the state imposed from 6pm to 5am daily till the end of the month. To ensure that the curfew comes into force from 6pm sharp, shops and business establishments have been asked to down shutters at 5pm. All government offices, except Covid control and war rooms, have to shut at 4pm. Private offices have also been advised to close at the same time |

| Sr. No. | City/State | Notification Title | Date of Release | Issuance Governing Body | Key Highlights |
|---------|---------------|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|---|
| 28 | Rajasthan | Weekend Curfew | 16 April 2021 | Govt. of Rajasthan | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weekend Curfew from 6 pm today i.e. 16 April till 5 am imposed on Monday i.e. 19 April. Govt of Rajasthan has accepted the request of CII and excluded export oriented units in addition to continuous nature, night shift, IT and emergency services from curfew. Govt has also accepted to allow labour to stay inside the industry premises and run |
| 29 | | Covid Guidelines | 18 April 2021 | Govt. of Rajasthan | While there will be curfew in Rajasthan till 3 May, but all Industries will be opened so that there is no migration of labour |
| 30 | | Notification on eMitra Portal | 18 April 2021 | Department of Home, Govt of Rajasthan | A web portal has been launched - http://emitra.rajasthan.gov.in - wherein anyone traveling to Rajasthan state needs to upload the negative RT-PCR report for previous 72 hours on the web portal |
| 31 | | Order Extending Section 144 | 20 April 2021 | Department of Home, Govt of Rajasthan | Extension of Section 144 till 21 May 2021 in Rajasthan |
| 32 | Uttarakhand | Order no 44/USDMA/792(2020) | 12 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttarakhand | Cap in marriage functions up to 200 people |
| 33 | | Order no. 53/USDMA/792(2020) | 15 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttarakhand | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Night Curfew imposed from 10.30 PM – 5 AM Containment and Micro-Containment Zones specified |
| 34 | | Order no. 68/USDMA/792(2020) | 20 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttarakhand | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50% capacity in public transport Cinema halls/restaurants with 50% capacity |
| 35 | | Order no 3391/CPO-DM-2021 | 21 April 2021 | District Magistrate, Dehradun | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gathering of only 100 people allowed in Religious, Political, marriage functions Restrictions for Public transport, hotels, malls, restaurants, cinema halls, gym, spa etc mentioned Educational institutions to remain closed till further notice Night Curfew in Dehradun from 07:00 PM to 05:00 AM |
| 36 | | Order no. 323/xxxi(15)G/2020-04 | 22 April 2021 | Dept of General Administration, Govt. of Uttarakhand | Government offices to remain closed on 23, 24, 25 April 2021. Proper sanitation of premises will be carried out |
| 37 | Uttar Pradesh | Order no. 671/-FIVE-5-2021 | 9 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttar Pradesh | 50% people to be given work from home to curb the spread of COVID |
| 38 | | Order no. 685/2021/CX-3 | 11 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttar Pradesh | All government offices in 4 districts to operate at 50% capacity |
| 39 | | Order no. 714/2021-CX-3 | 17 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttar Pradesh | Curfew imposed for 35 hrs |
| 40 | | Order No. 826/ACS/2021 | 21 April 2021 | Govt. of Uttar Pradesh | All MSMEs and Small Industries are allowed to function. Persons with valid ID card/ permission letter from these units can attend their shifts |

IV. SNIPPETS FROM NORTHERN REGION STATES/UTs

Chandigarh

Chandigarh Set to Get 3 Oxygen Plants

- Three oxygen plants will be commissioned within two days in the city to augment the oxygen supply to patients. A Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) oxygen generation plant has already been installed at Government Medical College and Hospital, Sector 32, with the help of Government of India, Ministry of

Health and Family Welfare, for combating the ongoing oxygen crisis. The plant will suffice at least 50 per cent of the total oxygen demand at the GMCH-32. It will generate 1000 LPM per day. The plant will generate oxygen gas from air and it will be delivered to the patients through the medical gas

Delhi

COVID-19: DDMA Issues Guidelines to Regulate Oxygen Distribution Across Delhi

The Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) has issued new guidelines for supply and allocation of oxygen supply across the national capital and said oxygen supply to all health establishments will be strictly regulated as per allocation orders issued by the government from time to time. In a seven-point directive, DDMA said its order will specify the daily allocation in

respect of all health establishments as well as the 'inter-se distribution' amongst different suppliers. The allocation order shall supersede any existing contractual arrangements entered into by any health establishment with any supplier until further orders.

Haryana

Haryana Cabinet Approves New Excise Policy, Removes COVID Cess

The Haryana Cabinet, led by Hon'ble Chief Minister, Manohar Lal Khattar approved a new excise policy for the year 2021-22 and decided to remove the Covid-19 cess that was imposed for generating additional revenue in view of the pandemic. The

government has decided to discontinue/abolish Covid cess on sale of liquor in next policy (2021-22). Covid cess was imposed in 2020-21 for generating additional revenue in view of pandemic.

Jammu & Kashmir

New Industrial Policy Comes into Effect in J&K

With a mantra of government being facilitator rather than regulator and to give impetus to the industrial sector, the Jammu and Kashmir Administration has accorded sanction to the implementation of new Industrial Policy 2021-30 and its procedural guidelines with effect from April 1, 2021. As per the policy document released by the Industries department, all industrial units coming into commercial production from April 1 as well as the existing units undertaking substantial expansion, shall be entitled for incentives under this policy while the existing units eligible for incentives under the erstwhile Industrial Policy 2016 shall be allowed to avail the same under the old policy till

March 31, 2026. As per the policy, there shall be 100 per cent subsidy on purchase/installation of Diesel Genset, 60 per cent subsidy on purchase/installation of pollution control devices, 30 per cent subsidy on obtaining quality certificates, 30 percent subsidy on automation and 50 per cent subsidy on green environment protection initiative. The DIC shall approve the incentive cases up to Rs 5 lakh in the District Level Committee and the incentive cases from Rs 5 lakh to Rs 50 lakh shall be approved by Division Level Committee while the incentive cases exceeding Rs 50 lakh shall be approved by UT Level Committee.

Punjab

Control Room to Monitor Oxygen Supply Established in Ludhiana

The Ludhiana administration has established a control room to monitor oxygen supply to hospitals involved in treating COVID-19 patients. During a review meeting, Deputy Commissioner Mr Varinder Kumar warned oxygen suppliers that there should not be any pilferage of oxygen for industrial activities as treating

Covid-19 patients was government's top priority. The administration has also appointed two nodal officers to ensure smooth oxygen supply to the hospitals as well as to patients kept under home isolation.

Uttar Pradesh

DRDO steps in to build 300 plus beds COVID hospital in Lucknow

The Defence Research and Development Organization has (DRDO) started work on building a 300 beds hospital which will have all the facilities to treat COVID-19 patients. The official spokesperson of DRDO, Mr Narendra Arya said, "Work has started at Avadh Shilp gram in Lucknow. And is expected to be completed in 8-10 days. Another facility is coming up at Amar Shaheed Path." In total the number of beds which are going to be available is 300 beds for general ward and 150 beds in ICU. According to officials, the medical facilities will be provided by

the Army Medical Corps and the Army Central Command will be there too. The Haj House on Kanpur Road and Golden Blossom Resort on Faizabad Road are going to be converted into makeshift Covid hospitals with the DRDO's help. According to an official release of the UP Government, orders have been issued for acquisition of land to make Awadh Shilp Gram a temporary hospital by the DRDO which is expected to have around 250 to 300 beds and once the facility is ready it will be open to take in patients.

V. STATUS OF COVID - 19 CASES IN NORTHERN STATES / UTs

| State / UT | Total Confirmed | Cured / Discharged / Migrated | Loss |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Chandigarh | 4,273 | 31,704 | 427 |
| Delhi | 91,618 | 8,51,537 | 13,193 |
| Haryana | 58,597 | 3,28,809 | 3,583 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 11,859 | 69,763 | 1,254 |
| J & K | 16,094 | 1,36,221 | 2,092 |
| Ladakh | 2,041 | 10,761 | 135 |
| Punjab | 40,584 | 2,70,946 | 8,189 |
| Rajasthan | 1,07,157 | 3,57,329 | 3,389 |
| Uttarakhand | 26,980 | 1,09,058 | 1,972 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 2,59,810 | 7,06,414 | 10,541 |

Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Gol (as on 23 April 2021, 0800 hrs)

VI. STATUS OF COVID-19 VACCINATION IN NORTHERN REGION STATES/ UTs

| State / UT | Beneficiaries Vaccinated | | |
|------------------|--------------------------|-----------|--------------|
| | 1st Dose | 2nd Dose | Total Doses |
| Chandigarh | 1,30,884 | 32,988 | 1,63,872 |
| Delhi | 23,26,052 | 5,29,698 | 28,55,750 |
| Haryana | 29,29,178 | 4,16,237 | 33,45,415 |
| Himachal Pradesh | 12,86,023 | 1,65,347 | 14,51,370 |
| J & K | 15,77,017 | 2,79,978 | 18,56,995 |
| Ladakh | 70,599 | 20,711 | 91,310 |
| Punjab | 24,49,142 | 2,66,337 | 27,15,479 |
| Rajasthan | 1,00,69,713 | 17,66,615 | 1,18,36,328 |
| Uttarakhand | 14,61,335 | 3,06,216 | 17,67,551 |
| Uttar Pradesh | 95,65,334 | 18,77,394 | 1,144,41,728 |

Source: Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Gol (as on 23 April 2021, 0700 hrs)

VII. CII SUPPORT FOR COVID-19 INTERVENTIONS

COVID Vaccination Drive at Member Companies

| ORGANISATION | VACCINATED | STATE |
|------------------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| Ganga Acrowools Ltd | 400 | Ludhiana, Punjab |
| Highway Industries Ltd | 380 | |
| Kitty Industries (Kitty Bread) | 120 | |
| FMI Ltd | 260 | |
| Antarctic Industries Ltd | 125 | |
| Trishala Alloys Pvt Ltd | 125 | |
| Parmeshwari Silk Mills Limited | 617 | |
| Kalsi Metal Works | 337 | Jalandhar, Punjab |
| Cheema Boilers Limited | 150 | Kurali, Punjab |
| Nachiketa Papers Limited | 120 | Derabassi, Punjab |
| Khanna Paper Mills | 300 | Amritsar, Punjab |
| Hero MotoCorp | 2400 | Gurugram, Haryana |
| Honda Motorcycle & Scooter Pvt Ltd | 250 | |
| Rico Auto Industries Ltd | 550 | |



COVID Vaccination Drive at Member Companies (contd.)

| ORGANISATION | VACCINATED | STATE |
|---|------------|-----------------------|
| Shahi Exports Pvt Ltd | 400 | Faridabad, Haryana |
| Indo Auto Tech Pvt Ltd | 380 | |
| Sanden Vikas Pvt Ltd | 120 | |
| Kanpur Plastic Pack Limited | 100 | Kanpur, UP |
| HUL | 229 | Haridwar, Uttarakhand |
| Rockman Industries Pvt Ltd | 90 | |
| NBC | 500 | Rajasthan |
| Bhiwadi Manufacturers Association (BMA) | 200 | |
| Man Structurals | 150 | |



Support to Health Authorities / Local Administration

| Sr. No. | PLACE/STATE | ORGANISATION | SUPPORT | PROVIDED TO |
|---------|----------------------------|---|---|---|
| 1 | Haridwar, Uttarakhand | Akums Drugs & Pharmaceuticals | 50,000 Sanitizers 10,000 Masks | District Administration |
| 2 | | BHEL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sanitization of Ghats and Roads Distribution of sanitizers and mask to the pilgrims Transport facilities/ Vehicles / Ambulance / Taxis etc. COVID dispensary with proper emergency bed arrangements and medicines for pilgrims | District Administration |
| 3 | Jaipur, Rajasthan | NBC | 45 Oxygen Cylinders | RUHS Hospital Tagore Hospital & Research Centre |
| 4 | | JCB | 20 Oxygen Cylinders | RUHS Hospital |
| 5 | | Bhiwadi Manufacturers Association (BMA) | 500 Oxygen Cylinders | Hospital |
| 6 | | MCCI | 250 Oxygen Cylinders | Hospital |
| 7 | | Hindustan Zinc | Providing 5 Tonne Oxygen Daily | State Government |
| 8 | | Shree Cement | 125 Oxygen Cylinders | State Government |
| 9 | | Balaji Industrial Products | 5 Oxygen Cylinders | Apex Hospital |
| 10 | Parwanoo, Himachal Pradesh | CII Member Companies | 4 Ambulances & 200 Isolation facility in Parwanoo for Industrial COVID patients | ESI Parwanoo |

VIII. ACTIVITIES ORGANISED BY THE REGION

Interaction with Hon'ble Industry Minister & Hon'ble MSME Minister, Govt of Uttar Pradesh

21 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

The meeting was called to understand from the industry representatives about the major operational challenges being faced during the second wave of COVID-19. Also, a series of

recommendations were made to ensure the safety of the workers in the industrial areas as well as how to steer the vaccination drive at industry premises.



Sri Satish Mahana - Industry Minister, Sri Sidharth Nath Singh - MSME Minister & Mr Navneet Sehgal, ACS - MSME, UP interacting with the industry representatives

Interactive Session with Sunil Kant Munjal, Past President - CII on Vaccination

21 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

Government of Punjab has reached out to CII to spearhead the vaccination Drive for vaccination of all persons above the age of 18 from May 1 in the state especially for industrial workforce and their families. To strategize & synergies the efforts with Government Initiatives, a virtual Interaction with Mr Sunil Kant Munjal, Past President, CII and Mr Abhimanyu Munjal, Chairman, CII Northern Region was organised. Mr Sunil Kant Munjal, Past President, CII in his remarks shared that while the Government is doing whatever it can to slow the spread of virus and vaccinate as many people as possible, the need of the hour for all of us is to come forward to supplement & complement the Government's efforts to contain the spread of this virus and at the same time vaccinate as many people as we can. Mr Sunil Munjal appealed to the Heads of Local Industry associations to join hands with CII and put in place a coordinated strategy to organise mass vaccination drives for everyone who is a part of Industrial ecosystem. Over 65 prominent Industry Members participated in the deliberations.



Virtual Workshop on Process to Efficient Supply Chain & IoT in Logistics

22 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

The objective of the programme was to promote Growth and Development of MSMEs with the use of IoT in logistics. The webinar broadly focused on steps to:

- Successfully integrate procurement, operations and logistics management
- Benefits of IoT in Supply Chain Management in the Manufacturing Sector
- Identify, Resolve and Bridge the Processes to Effective

Supply Chain Management

- Integrated Intelligent Logistics Management Increases Supply Chain Efficiency

Mr Milan Thakkar, CEO of Walplast; Manish Porwal, Founding Members, LogiNext and Mr Rajesh Raja, Program Manager in Material Logistics Engineering for FCA US LLC were the eminent speakers for the session. During the session, case studies which the speakers implemented in their industry were shared.



Virtual Session on Digital Marketing

23 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

The objective of the programme was to share insights on digital marketing trends and developments that marketers must consider in 2021 and provide clarity on where to shift the main focus. The webinar broadly focused on:

- Digital Marketing Tools & Techniques to follow in 2021
- Effective Lead Generation and Conversion
- Email Marketing
- Using LinkedIn efficiently to leverage business
- Understanding Sales in COVID Times
- Customer Retention

Mr Abhishek Jain, Founder, Digitofy and Mr Yogesh Udgire, Founder, Digital Transformation Academy, were the speakers for the session.



Yi Jaipur Members Interaction with Paddy Upton, Performance & Strategic Coach of Indian Cricket Team during ICC World Cup 2011

21 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform



Mr Paddy Upton, Performance & Strategic Coach of Indian Cricket Team during ICC World Cup 2011 sharing insights on Emerging Careers in Sports

Session on Production Linked Incentive Scheme for 10 Sectors

16 April 2021: CII Virtual Platform

Sectors covered : Auto, White goods, Solar PV modules, Advanced Chemistry Cell, Food, Textile, Telecom & Networking Equipment, Electronics & IT Hardware, Pharmaceuticals and Steel. The expert panel comprised of Mr Uday Pimprikar, Partner and National Leader – Indirect Tax, EY India, Mr Saurabh Agarwal, Indirect Tax Partner, EY India, Mr Bhavesh Thakkar, Indirect Tax Partner, EY India and Mr Kunal Chaudhary, Indirect Tax Partner, EY India. Objective of this session was to impart knowledge on various incentives schemes that Government of India has announced with an aim to encourage local companies to set up or expand existing manufacturing units and also to generate more employment and cut down the country's reliance on imports from other countries. Over 125 participants attended the session virtually."



CII Masterclass on Essentials of Toyota Production System

16 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

Toyota's lean production system has transformed the manufacturing industry. The Toyota Production System (TPS) is the culmination of the company's dedication to continuous improvement. It is the culture adopted by employees and management alike. In the Toyota Production System, each person follows the same set of principles, which focus on improving production processes based on the customer's need and the product's quality, as well as safety in the plant and on the road. Objectives of the session were:

- Eliminating 8 wastes in the processes for shortening the process time

- Changing from push system planning to pull system by Takt time
- Minimizing the inventory by just in time scheduling and synchronize with supplier's schedule
- Standardize the working method aims to zero defects, zero breakdown and zero accident
- Cost reduction

This Session was attended by Approx 170 participants.

Training course on Plant Productivity Improvement Tools & Techniques

15-16 April 2021 : CII Virtual Platform

The objective of the session was to help industry cope up with the challenges occurred in past one year. The session helped participant understand the strategies and actions which they can take for the betterment of organization in terms of productivity improvement in various departments of the plant. Regardless of the size of your business, continuous improvement in productivity is essential for enhancing gross profits and maintaining competitiveness



IX. FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

| Date | Activities (Virtual Platform) |
|-----------|--|
| 27 April | Online Workshop on Enhancing Professional Effectiveness of Employees |
| 30 April | Virtual Vendor Development Programme with BEL |
| 30 April | How to Start A Business |
| 1 May | Webinar on Success/Resilience – Turn Obstacles Into Opportunities |
| 3-7 May | High Impact Training Program on Energy Efficient System and Energy Efficient Design Considerations |
| 4-8 May | Training program on energy management. |
| 4-6 May | Certification Course on Lean Manufacturing |
| 6 May | CII Electronics Manufacturing Summit 2021 |
| 6 May | CII Vendor Development Program with Hindustan Aeronautics Ltd (HAL) |
| 7 May | Masterclass on SMED |
| 7 May | ERGONOMIC Workplace solutions for Health, Wellness and Productivity" |
| 10-11 May | CII Certified Internal Auditor Course on Energy Management Systems (EnMS) |
| 11-12 May | CII Certified Training on Compliance to Recent Amendments in Waste Management Rules |
| 13 May | Interactive Virtual Session on 6S & Visual Management - |
| 13 May | Digital Training Program on Prevention & Control of Avian Influenza & Covid 19 for Food Business Operators |
| 14 May | CII Online Masterclass on Blockchain: The Real Business Value of Blockchain Technology |
| 14 may | Webinar on SME preparedness for COVID19 relapse |
| 18-22 May | Certification Training Course on Cost Reduction Performance & Reliability Improvement Techniques In Boiler and Steam Systems |
| 19 may | Workshop on Writing World Class Proposals |
| 21 May | Conference on Railways Excellence |
| 24-25 May | CII - Certified Internal Auditor Training Programme for Environment, Health & Safety Management Systems (EHSMS) as per ISO 14001:2015 and ISO 45001:2018 |
| 24-25 May | |
| 27 May | Web-based Masterclass Improving Cashflow Via Integrated Inventory Management |
| 27 May | 8th CII Northern Region Inter Industry Competition on Environment, Health and Safety Management (EHS) |
| 27 May | Conference on Construction |
| 27 April | Plant Profitability Improvement via Kaizen Blitz – A Rapid Improvement' |
| 28 May | Indian Automotive Value Chain Summit |
| 27-28 May | 8th CII - Northern Region EHS Competition 2021 |
| 28 May | Vendor Development & Supply Chain Registration Process of Diesel Loco Modernisation Works (DMW) |

For participation, please contact : neetu@cii.in

X. HELPLINE NUMBERS OF CII NORTHERN REGION

| S.No | State / Zonal | Head | Email Address | Mobile Number |
|------|------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | Chandigarh UT | Mr Dev Jyoti | dev.jyoti@cii.in | 9501077222 |
| 2 | Delhi | Ms Vaishali Shrivastava | vaishali.shrivastava@cii.in | 9711257055 |
| 3 | Haryana | Mr Vivek Thakur | vivek.thakur@cii.in | 9988887141 |
| 4 | Himachal Pradesh | Mr Aditya Agnihotri | aditya.agnihotri@cii.in | 9910005864 |
| 5 | Jammu & Kashmir | Mr Khurshid Dar | khurshid.dar@cii.in | 9906746669 |
| 6 | Ladakh | Mr Khurshid Dar | khurshid.dar@cii.in | 9906746669 |
| 7 | Punjab | Mr Shivdev Singh | shivdev.singh@cii.in | 9780844500 |
| 8 | Rajasthan | Mr Nitin Gupta | nitin.gupta@cii.in | 9829056343 |
| 9 | Uttar Pradesh | Mr Alok Shukla | alok.shukla@cii.in | 8009011333 |
| 10 | Uttarakhand | Mr Sumanpreet Singh | sumanpreet.singh@cii.in | 9814868859 |

For CII work on COVID-19, please visit: www.ciicovid19update.in

XI. PRESS COVERAGE

सीआईआई की पहल पर उद्योगों ने राज्य में शुरू की ऑक्सीजन सप्लाई

उद्योगों की पहल पर उद्योगों ने राज्य में शुरू की ऑक्सीजन सप्लाई

Industry steps in to meet oxygen shortage at hosps

Industry steps in to meet oxygen shortage at hosps

Employment Generation highest priority for CII Northern Region

Employment Generation highest priority for CII Northern Region

CII to join hands with startups to improve ecosystem in North

CII to join hands with startups to improve ecosystem in North

750 लोगों ने लगवाया कोरोना का टीका

जयपुर @ पत्रिका. कॉन्फिडरेशन ऑफ इंडियन इंडस्ट्री (सीआईआई) की ओर से आयोजित कोरोना टीकाकरण अभियान के तहत दो दिनों के दौरान 750 लोगों को वैक्सिनेशन लगाई गई। संगठन की प्रदेश इकाई के अध्यक्ष संजय सावू ने बताया कि विभिन्न इंडस्ट्रीज के सहयोग से आर्युचएस सहित निजी अस्पतालों में भी ऑक्सीजन सिलेंडर मुहैया कराए जा रहे हैं।

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

प्रमुख सेवाओं के डिजिटलीकरण की वकालत करेगा सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई उत्तरी क्षेत्र के लिए रोजगार सृजन सर्वोच्च प्राथमिकता

सीआईआई ने की सामाजिक पहल

सीआईआई ने की सामाजिक पहल

तैयारी: चौबीसों घंटे चलेंगे 24 प्लांट, रोजाना 154 एमटी उत्पादन

तैयारी: चौबीसों घंटे चलेंगे 24 प्लांट, रोजाना 154 एमटी उत्पादन

Employment generation main priority for CII: Abhimanyu Munjal

Employment generation main priority for CII: Abhimanyu Munjal



Confederation of Indian Industry

125 Years: 1895-2020

The Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) works to create and sustain an environment conducive to the development of India, partnering industry, Government and civil society, through advisory and consultative processes.

For 125 years, CII has been working on shaping India's development journey and, this year, more than ever before, it will continue to proactively transform Indian industry's engagement in national development.

CII is a non-government, not-for-profit, industry-led and industry-managed organization, with about 9100 members from the private as well as public sectors, including SMEs and MNCs, and an indirect membership of over 300,000 enterprises from 288 national and regional sectoral industry bodies.

CII charts change by working closely with Government on policy issues, interfacing with thought leaders, and enhancing efficiency, competitiveness and business opportunities for industry through a range of specialized services and strategic global linkages. It also provides a platform for consensus-building and networking on key issues.

Extending its agenda beyond business, CII assists industry to identify and execute corporate citizenship programmes. Partnerships with civil society organizations carry forward corporate initiatives for integrated and inclusive development across diverse domains including affirmative action, livelihoods, diversity management, skill development, empowerment of women, and sustainable development, to name a few.

With the Theme for 2020-21 as Building India for a New World: Lives, Livelihood, Growth, CII will work with Government and industry to bring back growth to the economy and mitigate the enormous human cost of the pandemic by protecting jobs and livelihoods.

With 68 offices, including 10 Centres of Excellence, in India, and 8 overseas offices in Australia, Egypt, Germany, Indonesia, Singapore, UAE, UK, and USA, as well as institutional partnerships with 394 counterpart organizations in 133 countries, CII serves as a reference point for Indian industry and the international business community.

Confederation of Indian Industry

Northern Region Headquarters

Block No. 3, Dakshin Marg, Sector 31- A, Chandigarh 160030 (India)

T: 91 - 172-5022522 / 2607228 F: 91-172 - 2606259

E: ciinr@cii.in W: www.cii.in

Follow us on:



[cii.in/facebook](https://www.facebook.com/cii.in)



[cii.in/twitter](https://twitter.com/cii.in)



[cii.in/linkedin](https://www.linkedin.com/company/cii.in)



[cii.in/youtube](https://www.youtube.com/c/cii.in)

Reach us via our Membership Helpline: 00-91-124-4592966 / 00-91-99104 46244

CII Helpline Toll free No: 1800-103-1244