GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH <u>ABSTRACT</u>

HM&FW Department- COVID-19 – Containment, Control and Prevention of COVID-19 – Three Tier Structure for Covid Management - Constitution of State Level Task Force & District Level Flying Squads – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (B2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 173 Dated: 26-04-2021.

ORDER:

The Hon'ble Chief Minister has reviewed the steps being taken for Containment and Management of COVD-19 cases in the Districts. In view of various media reports regarding over charging and fleecing of Covid patients by some unscrupulous hospitals, Government, hereby decide to follow the three tier structure for effective implementation of Covid Management in the State with immediate effect as hereunder:

- At the District level, District Collector shall divide all private hospitals permitted to treat Covid-19 patients into clusters & appoint a District Level Officer as in-charge for each of these clusters to frequently inspect these hospitals, receive complaints and look into these and take appropriate action against the hospitals wherever needed. Each cluster shall have 5-8 private hospitals. Complaints pertaining to nearby hospitals illegally treating Covid patients should also be monitored by Officer so appointed.
- 2. There shall be a District Level Flying Squad constituted by the District Collector with representatives from (i) DG, Drugs Control Administration, (ii) Vigilance and Enforcement Department and (iii) Medical & Health Department. This Flying Squad shall inspect the hospitals frequently and ensure that strict action is initiated against hospitals violating the guidelines issued by the Government from time to time. The Flying Squad shall thereby ensue effective functioning of the cluster in-charge officers.
- 3. The State Level Task Force Committee is hereby constitute with the following members to monitor the effective functioning of the above arrangements and review the complaints received from time to time:
 - 1. Sri. Satish Chandra, IAS, Chairperson Special Chief Secretary to Government, Higher Education Dept.
 - 2. Dr.K.S.Jawahar Reddy, IAS Member E.O, TTD & Chairperson, State Covid Command & Control Centre
 - 3. Sri.K.V.Rajendranath Reddy, IPS ...Member Director General, V&E Dept.,
 - 4. Sri Anil Kumar Singhal, IAS ... Member Principal Secretary to Govt. HM&FW Department
 - 5. Sri Bhaskar Katamaneni, IAS ... Member Commissioner, Health & Family Welfare Department
 - 6. Sri Ravi Shankar, IRS Member-Convenor Director General, Drugs Control & Administration.

- 2. The District Collectors are directed to constitute the clusters and appoint District Level Officers as suggested at item (1) of Para 1 above and District Level Flying Squad as suggested at item-(2) of Para 1 above and report compliance urgently, duly furnishing the details of the Officers appointed and teams constituted to the Government.
- 3. All the District Collectors in the State shall take immediate necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL KUMAR SINGHAL PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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All the District Collectors of the State.

All Members of the State Level Task Force Committee.

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