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Subject: Preparing Cluster Containment Strategy in District for preparedness for COVID19 cases.

Dear,

All Civil Surgeons,

In reference to the Video conference held on dated 3.3.2020, under the chairmanship of Chief Secretary, Haryana, wherein it was discussed to make District Cluster containment strategy.

WHO has declared the recent Novel Corona Virus (**COVID-19**) epidemic as Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). Till date it has affected **75 countries** with majority of them in China, Korea, Italy, Japan and Singapore. Worldwide a total of **88,948 cases** and **3043 deaths** have been reported till 02.03.2020. Most of the deaths are from China. In India, total **6 cases have come positive so far.**

As evident from the emerging scenario, there may a surge in the Suspected /Confirmed cases of Corona Virus in the country/State. In view of 3 new cases reported on 2nd march, 2020 i.e. One each from Delhi, one from Telangana and one from Rajasthan, there is the need of the hours to change the strategy from surveillance of travelers to containment. Hence a **Cluster Containment Strategy** at the District level is required to contain the disease within defined geographic area by **early detection, breaking the chain of transmission and preventing spread to new areas.** Guidelines from MoHFW are attached for your reference.

You all are requested to make and activate Crisis Management Plan under the chairmanship of your respective **District Deputy Commissioner** and review the Public Health Preparedness with regard to Isolation facilities, Case Management and Logistics. Further, you are requested to make COVID 19 specific Response/Containment Plan or a Generic Crisis Management Plan as per guidelines, so that situation can be handled in emergency conditions.

I am sure you must be apprising the situation on day to day basis to your Deputy Commissioners. Your active role in Surveillance activities as per the contingency plan is crucial and need of the hour.

With warm regards.

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Copy to: All District Surveillance Officer.


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