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Subject: Minutes of Meeting regarding Emerging COVID-19 Situation in Kashmir Division.

The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir Shri P.K. Pole, IAS, took a review meeting on the evolving of Covid-19 issues with all the concerned officers on 01.06.2021 at 04:00pm.

The list of the Officers who participated in the meeting are appended as Annexure "A".

Initially, Mission Director, NHM, Shri Mohammad Yaseen Chowdhary, gave a detailed presentiation regarding the emerging Covid-19 situation in Kashmir Division along with Oxygen status, Covid-19 Lab issues in the Division. He share the details of cumulative and weekly performance of Districts with regard to Covid-19 testing, contact tracing, mortality, Home isolation, vaccination coverage and expected trends. He also brief about further course of action and reinforcement of Covid-19 mitigation measures to avert a Second Wave.

S No	Agenda	Directions/Instructions given by Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir	Action to be taken by
1.	Covid-19 Testing	<ul> <li>The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir expressed his satisfaction over the status of COVID-19 testing and complemented all the districts for complying with the minimum target of 1500 Tests per Million Population per day.</li> <li>The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir, however directed to enhance the RTPCR testing of symptomatic cases (ILIs &amp; SARI) if initial report of RAT comes negative in these suspected cases so that Covid patients are diagnosed, isolated &amp; treated in time: that will reduce the risk transmission of infection &amp; Case fatality rate (CFR %) are further reduced. He also directed to conduct at least 5-10 RAT at every Covid care center in every block/Panchayat halqa.</li> </ul>	All CMOs.
2.	Contact Tracing	• The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir expressed satisfaction over the contact tracing scenario in the Division and advised to enhance the quality as well as in time bound manner (max. 48-72 Hours in Micro Containment Zones) of contact tracing besides not affording to lower the guard.	All DCs, All CMOs.
3.	Analysis of Performance of Districts	<ul> <li>The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir took serious note of the key points of analysis of performance of Districts &amp; stressed to settle these issues at the earliest. The major key points were:</li> <li>District Anantnag has done minimum number of tests (288681) per million population followed by District Kupwara (296523)</li> <li>District Pulwama has highest Case Fatality Rate (1.27%) followed by District Baramulla (1.23%)</li> <li>District Srinagar has highest number of cases per million population (42785) followed by district Ganderbal (24805).</li> <li>District Kulgam &amp; Baramulla have not tested 462 &amp; 278 RAT</li> </ul>	All DCs, All CMOs



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		negative symptomatic patients by RT-PCR.	
		• District Bandipora has tested minimum number (1087) of	
		symptomatic cases followed by district <b>Ganderbal</b> (1540) duringlast two weeks.	
		District Kupwara has highest (11.73%) Positivity Rate in RAT	
		<ul> <li>followed by District Pulwama (11.16%).</li> <li>District Bandipora has lowest positivity rate (5.23%) in RAT followed by District Ganderbal (7.56%).</li> <li>District Shopian has done minimum number of tests (1448) per million per day during last two weeks followed by District Anantnag (1836).</li> </ul>	
		<ul> <li>41.6% of Positive cases were symptomatic, 32.8% were from Contacts category, and only 0.5% were from Travelers</li> <li>District Anantnag has minimum positive contact Per Index case</li> </ul>	
		(0.05) followed by <b>District Ganderbal</b> (0.07).	
		• District Srinagar has (89.05%) of Active Cases outside Containment Zones followed by District Bandipora (86.86%).	
4.	Implementation of Covid Appropriate Behavior and Vaccination.	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir stressed upon all the districts to ensure strictly Covid Appropriate Behavior (use of Face Masks, Physical distancing, Hand hygiene, and cough etiquette) is being abided by.  The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir also stressed upon all districts to augment vaccination coverage in all targeted age groups. (18-44yrs and >45 years) as of now.	All DCs, All CMOs
		The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir stressed upon all	
5.	Home isolation/ Covid Care Centres	the districts to effectively implement a robust surveillance mechanism of Home Isolation & immediately shift the sick patients to designated Covid Health facilities. He also stressed upon to make hassle free distribution of COVID Management kits for home isolation patients at their door steps. Divisional Commissioner also directed to all districts that they must make 25% operational every Covid Care Centre by admitting at least 1-2 patients in these centres and report of utilization must be submitted by all concerned district on daily basis.	All DCs, All CMOs.
6.	Oxygen Availability in Covid -19 Health Facilities	Divisional Commissioner Kashmir stressed upon the optimal usage of Oxygen in the Covid-19 designated health facilities by ensuring the proper monitoring of Oxygen delivery at the delivery points& maintaining the record (ORDER already communicated through Communication No: DivCom/PS/MISC/2021/462-67 Dated: 15/05/2021)).Plus Oxygen audit report by every Secondary and teritiary care hospital.	Director SKIMS Soura/Principals of GMC Srinagar, SKIMS Bemina, GMC Ang, GMC Bla/ DrWasim Qureshi/ DHSKmr/ All CMOs/ Lab Coordinator J&K

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7.	Availability of designated Hospital Beds for Covid-19 patients	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir stressed upon the availability of sufficient number of designated Covid beds in the Districts/Tertiary Care Hospitals in accordance with the directions given by Honorable L.G. & directed the concerned to increase the number upto the targets given. He also stressed upon to better utilization of Ventilator Supportive Beds in these institutions	Director SKIMS Soura/Principals of GMC Srinagar, SKIMS MC Bemina, GMC Ang, GMC Bla/ Director Health Services Kmr/All CMOs
8.	Triage Centers & their functioning	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir expressed satisfaction over the functioning of Triage Centre at JVC Bemina, & stressed upon the need to improve the functioning of Triage Centres at NIT Hazratbal and MMC Sanatnagar.	CMO Srinagar
9.	Positivity Rate on Tests	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir directed all districts to achieve the positivity rate of <5% by this week and the same must come down to <2% by the next week.	All DCs, All CMOs.
10.	Infodemics Monitoring	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir directed all districts to keep vigil on false information and fake news against vaccination campaign on social media, print media as well as electronic media. And such type of rumors/misinformation must be timely rebutted at appropriate form.	All DCs, DHS
11.	Fast track Recruitment of Staff for COVID 19 mitigation process	The Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir directed the Principal Government Medical College Srinagar and Director SKIMS, Soura to recruit the staff on fast track basis for Covid mitigation process as he expressed his displeasure on delay in recruitment.	Soura/Principal

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- 2. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor Jammu &Kashmir .
- 3. Mission Director NHM Jammu &Kashmir.
- 4. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary for information of worthy Chief Secretary.
- 5. District Informatics Officer, NIC C/o DC Office, and Srinagar with the request to upload the minutes on the official website of this office.
- 6. All concerned as above for information and necessary action.