No.Z.20015/127/2019-ME-I Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Medical Education Division

Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi – 110011 Dated the 31st March, 2020

То

All Chief Secretaries (States/UTs)

Subject: Augmenting Human Resources and Capacity Building for COVID-19 Management Madam/Sir,

Hon'ble Prime Minister's Office has constituted an Empowered Group on Augmenting Human Resources and Capacity Building. This group, in their meeting held on 30th March, 2020 has suggested that human resources, medical, para-medical as well as non-medical (for voluntary work) may be kept identified and trained for utilizing their services as and when required, either for treatment and management, or for surveillance or other management/ancillary works related to COVID management. Besides the doctors, nursing personnel, lab technicians, para-medical personnel, other personnel working in health facilities; the other categories of manpower that may be kept identified are as follows:

- a. AYUSH doctors and para-medical personnel;
 - b. NCC/NSS/NYK volunteers;
 - c. Retired Army doctors;
 - d. Ex-servicemen;
 - e. Veterinary doctors;
 - f. Red Cross, Civil Society Organizations;
 - g. Gram Panchayat and Urban Local Bodies' employees;
 - h. Resident Welfare Associations
- 2. The list of training resources as appropriate for each category has been shared earlier vide my letter of even No. dated 28th March, 2020 (copy enclosed for reference). We shall continue to update the training resources' list to include more resources and modules, as available.

Yours faithfully,

(Nipun Vinayak)

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The Secretary (Medical Education/Health) (All States/UTs)

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To

The Secretary (Medical Education/Health separately) (All States/UTs)

Subject: Capacity building of field staff on Clinical management protocol in Government & private medical colleges for COVID-19 management.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to the above mentioned subject and to request that the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has being issuing guidelines for clinical management protocol for health care professionals and supporting staffs from time to time. The same has already been uploaded in the website of this Ministry. Some of the important links for the guidelines already issued in this regard is as given below:-

For training:

- 1. Webinars on SARS CoV-2/COVID-19 https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/COVIDWebinarSchedule26March2019.pdf
- 2. Webinars for nursing officers for training in care of patients suspected of/ or having covid-19 infection https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/COVIDWEbinar.pdf

For hospitals:

- 1. SOP for reallocation of residents/ PG students and nursing students as part of hospital management of COVID https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/COVID19SOPfordoctorsandnurses.pdf
- 2. Guidelines on rational use of Personal Protective Equipment https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesonrationaluseofPersonalProtectiveEquipment.pdf
- 3. Discharge Policy of nCoV Case https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/Corona%20Discharge-Policy.pdf
- 4. Guidelines on Clinical Management of COVID 19 https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/GuidelinesonClinicalManagementofCOVID1912020.pdf
- 5. COVID-19: Guidelines on dead body management https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/1584423700568 COVID19GuidelinesonDeadbodymanagement.pdf
- 6. National guidelines for infection prevention and control in healthcare facilities https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf//National%20Guidelines%20for%20IPC%20in%20HCF%20-%20final%281%29.pdf
- 7. Specimen Collection, Packaging and Transport Guidelines for 2019 novel Corona virus (2019-nCoV) https://www.mohfw.gov.in/pdf/5Sample%20collection_packaging%20%202019-nCoV.pdf

NCDC guidelines:

- 1. Guidelines for Quarantine facilities COVID-19 https://nedc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/90542653311584546120.pdf
- 2. Guidelines for Setting up Isolation Facility/Ward https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/42417646181584529159.pdf
- 3. Guidelines for disinfection of quarantine facility (for COVID-19) https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/89168637271584172711.pdf
- Guidelines for Workplace of COVID-19 case https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/18679749311583919448.pdf
- 5. Guidelines on Clinical management of severe acute respiratory illness (SARI) in suspect/confirmed novel corona virus (nCoV) cases https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/96997299691580715786.pdf
- 6. Guidelines for screening centres https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/55422471421580628860.pdf
- 7. Ambulance Transfer https://ncdc.gov.in/WriteReadData/1892s/66149969001580629188.pdf

IMA Guidelines

- 1. COVID-19 Role of hospitals & healthcare professionals http://www.ima-india.org/ima/pdfdata/COVID-19-Guidelines-for-Hospitals-n-Doctors.pdf
- 2. The guidelines issued by the Ministry are also being revised from time to time and uploaded in the website. You are, therefore, requested to ensure that the clinical management protocol for health care professionals and supporting staffs may be followed as per the latest guidelines issued by the Ministry on the website. The protocol/guidelines in the above mentioned links may be disseminated to all concerned both in Government/Private sector hospitals/medical colleges for compliance.
- 3. These guidelines and other authentic resource material may be used extensively for training all the Health professionals working in government/private sector hospitals/medical colleges for COVID-19 management
- 4. It is also requested that a Hospital Infection Control Committee, (if not already established) may be set up in each hospital to continually train health professionals in all aspects of infection control.

Yours faithfully,

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