

**GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
REVENUE DEPARTMENT (HQ)
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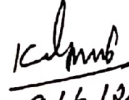
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Sub: Minutes of the Delhi Disaster Management Authority meeting held on
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Delhi Disaster Management Authority held on 09.06.2020 under the Chairmanship
of Hon'ble Lt. Governor of Delhi for kind information please.

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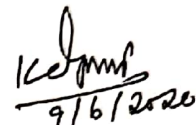
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1. The Secretary to Hon'ble Lt. Governor, Raj Niwas, Delhi-110054, for
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2. The Addl. Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Delhi Sectt., I.P. Estate, Delhi,
for kind information of Hon'ble Chief Minister.
3. To the Secretary to the Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister of Delhi
4. The Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Health, GNCT of Delhi, for kind
information to Hon'ble Minister.
5. The Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Revenue, GNCT of Delhi, for
kind information to Hon'ble Minister.
6. The OSD to the Chief Secretary, GNCT of Delhi, I.P. Estate, Delhi
Sectt., Delhi, for kind information to Chief Secretary.
7. Shri Rajesh Bhushan, OSD, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India
8. ACS/Pr. Secretary (Home), 5th Level, C-Wing, Delhi Secretariat, I.P.
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9. Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police, Headquarter, I.P. Estate, Delhi.
10. Dr. Balram Bhargava, Director General, ICMR, Govt. of India
11. The General Officer Commanding (HQ), Delhi Cantt. Area, Delhi.
12. Joint Secretary (Disaster Management), Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India.
13. The Director, Local Bodies, UD Department, 9th Level, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, Delhi.
14. Pr. Secretary (Health), Health & Family Welfare Deptt, GNCT of Delhi
15. Pr. Secretary (Revenue) cum Divisional Commissioner, GNCT of Delhi.
16. Secretary (Health) GNCT of Delhi.
17. CEO, Disaster Management, Delhi .


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(DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY)

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (DDMA) HELD ON JUNE 09, 2020 AT 11.00 AM, RAJ NIWAS UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF HON'BLE LT. GOVERNOR/ CHAIRPERSON, DDMA.

1. A meeting of the Delhi Disaster Management Authority was held on June 09, 2020 at 11.00 AM at Raj Niwas under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Lt. Governor to review the present health status in respect of COVID-19 in Delhi, status of Hospital Bed Augmentation, ambulances, health care facilities, etc. List of participants is enclosed.
2. At the outset, Chairman/Hon'ble Lt. Governor welcomed the members. Thereafter, Pr. Secretary (Health) made a detailed presentation where it was informed that up to 8th June 2020 there are total 29943 confirmed cases in Delhi out of which 11357 patients have recovered/discharged/migrated. It was further informed that Case Fatality Rate in Delhi is 2.92% as compared to the national average of 2.81%. Recovery rate is 37.93%, doubling rate 12.6 days and test per million is 13453 which compares favorably to the national average of 3531 tests per million.
3. It was further apprised that at present there are 8821 hospital beds, 582+ ICU beds, 468+ Ventilators beds and 3590+ Oxygenated supported beds in dedicated COVID hospitals. Pr. Secretary (Health) informed that 5 more hospitals have been earmarked with additional 500 beds for COVID (namely Ambedkar Hospital (200 beds), DDUH (200 beds), MMMH (50 beds), Hedgewar Hospital (50 beds) and JPC Hospital (50 beds). The new hospital in Burari with 450 beds is



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expected to be operational by 20.06.2020. However, with the prevalent doubling rate and hospitalization rate nearly 30,000 oxygenated dedicated COVID beds will be needed around July end.

4. Accordingly, for augmentation of hospital beds in private sector, Private hospitals with more than 50 beds have been allowed to increase bed capacity by 25% where 20% bed capacity is earmarked for COVID in these private hospitals. He further informed that 2000 beds are in the process of getting ready by linking hospitals to nearby hotels. Members were further apprised that various steps are being taken to improve the efficiency of CATS ambulance which includes fleet augmentation, redeployment of ambulances as per call frequency and increasing the number of phone lines by about 33% and setting up of alternate call center with scalable capacity of at least 100 call lines. The covid testing guidelines and the protocol to establish mortality rate were discussed during the presentation.

5. Members discussed and concluded that Health Department should continuously and closely monitor the capacity building of medical infrastructure and take all necessary steps to scale up the availability of oxygenated beds, ICU beds and ventilators in Delhi as per the projected requirement. It was expressed that the doubling rate has become faster and there is an urgent need to upgrade the infrastructure by further reduction in projected timelines.

6. Thereafter the agenda item for ratification of decisions taken by the State Executive Committee and by the Chairman, Delhi Disaster Management Authority were taken up :

(A) The following orders issued under Sec.-22 by the chairperson, State Executive Committee were ratified:



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| i | Dt. 01.06.2020 (F.02/07/2020/S.I/part file/212) | MHA, GoI Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 30.05.2020. | Guidelines for Phased Re-opening (Unlock-I) and extension of lockdown in Containment Zones upto 30.06.2020. |
| ii | Dt. 02.06.2020(F.15/DDMA/COVID-19/2020/214) | ----- | Requirement to enhance the capacity of CATS Ambulance services as well as Taxi Ambulance services in Delhi. |
| iii | Dt. 03.06.2020 (F.DDMA/COVID-19/2020/215) | ----- | Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for pre-emptive identification and Protection of Senior Citizens from (COVID). |
| iv | Dt. 03.06.2020(F.02/08/2020/S.I/part file/216) | Dt. 24.05.2020(DDMA order No. 02/08/2020/S.I/part file/194) | Partial modification in order dated 24.05.2020 conveying guidelines for domestic travel (air, train, inter-state travel). |
| v | Dt. 03.06.2020(F.02/07/2020/S.I/part file-ii/217) | ----- | Management of Dead bodies of COVID positive/suspect persons at mortuaries of various hospitals in Delhi |
| vi | Dt. 05.06.2020(F.02/07/2020/S.I/part file-ii/219) | ----- | Deployment of Government officers as Nodal Officers for COVID-19 hospitals of Delhi |
| vii | Dt. 07.06.2020(F.02/07/2020/S.I/part file.221) | OM dated 04.06.2020, issued by MoHFW, GoI enclosing five SOPs | Restaurants, Shopping Malls and Religious Places are permitted w.e.f. 08.06.2020, except in containment zones. Also no restrictions on inter-state movement of persons and goods. |

(B) Regarding the decisions i.e. No: F.1(489)/ DDMA(HQ)/ Facilities/ Govt./Pvt.Hosp./ 2020/A-1437 dated 08.06.2020 and F.1(489)/DDMA(HQ)/Facilities/ Govt./ Pvt.Hosp./ 2020/ A-1436 dated 08.06.2020 taken under Sec.-18(3) of the Disaster Management Act by the Hon'ble Lt. Governor as Chairperson, DDMA, Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister expressed certain reservations regarding the orders. He also submitted a dissent note regarding the same. The observations were considered and Hon'ble Lt. Governor mentioned that Hon'ble Supreme Court has held in several pronouncements that "Right to Health" is an integral part of "Right to Life" under Article 21 of the Constitution of India. He also pointed that the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in WP(C) No 10585/2018 titled "Social Jurist, Civil rights group V/s GNCTD & another", had

held that denying patients medical treatment on grounds of not being residents of Delhi is impermissible. Given such a rich legal jurisprudence and case law this decision was taken. Further, testing criteria should be as per ICMR guidelines. After the discussion, DDMA ratified both decisions dated 08.06.2020 taken by the Hon'ble Lt. Governor as Chairperson, DDMA

7. As part of any other items to be taken up with permission of the Chair three issues were raised. Firstly, it was observed that several orders are passed by different departments on important issues impinging on COVID-19 management. Some of these orders have significant policy ramifications for disaster mitigation & preparedness & also have cross-functional and cross-departmental implications. It was felt that for better coordination & monitoring, issues of importance and significance, especially pertaining to policy matters relating to COVID-19, must be brought to the notice of the DDMA and wherever approval of the authority is required, the same should be sought.

Secondly, it was felt that there needs to be greater emphasis on a well coordinated IEC. The Government of NCT of Delhi already has a system in place of spokesperson/ regular press conferences to elaborate on the activities undertaken by the Government. However, the decisions of the DDMA also need to be disseminated. This issue was deliberated upon. Hon'ble Dy. Chief Minister raised an apprehension that separate communication by DDMA may lead to duplicacy of effort and may lead to variation in statements too. Other members felt that such an apprehension is misplaced, and that there is a need to disseminate decisions of the DDMA. Accordingly it was decided that the Convener/ Member of the DDMA may be authorized to communicate the decisions and measures taken by DDMA across all media platforms.



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Thirdly, an issue was raised that given the COVID-19 epidemic has acquired threatening proportions and the pace at which infrastructure needs to be upgraded there is an urgent need to carry out immediate procurement of provisions & materials for providing relief to the patients suffering from the epidemic. In order to address the same the health department was authorized to carry out emergency procurement & accounting as per Section 50 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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09.06.2020

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