



OFFICE OF THE CHAIRPERSON,  
DELHI DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

No.F.1(489)/DDMA(HQ)/Facilities/Govt./Pvt.Hosp./2020/ A-14 26 Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> June 2020

ORDER

1. Whereas, the Delhi Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), established under Section 14 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005(DMA), is satisfied that the COVID-19 epidemic, also declared as a pandemic by the World Health Organization (WHO), has spread in the NCT of Delhi in threatening proportion and therefore has considered it necessary to take effective measures to prevent the spread of the said disaster in the NCT of Delhi;
2. And whereas, the DDMA has issued various orders/ instructions from time to time to all authorities concerned to take all required measures to appropriately deal with the situation;
3. And whereas, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) has issued strategy for COVID-19 testing in India on 18.05.2020, which has prescribed testing for nine categories, including asymptomatic direct and high-risk contacts of a confirmed case to be tested once between day 5 and day 10 of coming into contact;
4. And whereas, in order to contain the spread of COVID-19, it is essential to conduct a thorough contact tracing of affected persons, especially in containment zones and as such, the ICMR strategy for COVID-19 testing should be followed without any deviation;

5. And whereas, this deviation in the ICMR guidelines can result in inadequate contact tracing of affected individuals and can result in further spread of COVID-19 in NCT of Delhi;

6. Now, therefore, in exercise of powers conferred under Section 18(3) of the DMA, the undersigned in his capacity as the Chairperson of the DDMA, hereby directs all departments and authorities concerned of NCT of Delhi, to ensure that ICMR strategy for COVID-19 testing in India issued on 18.05.2020 and as updated from time to time, be strictly observed in NCT of Delhi without any deviation.

  
( Anil Baijal ) 8/6/20

Chairperson, DDMA

**Chief Secretary, Delhi**

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