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Dear All

On 31 December 2019, a cluster of pneumonia of unknown etiology was reported in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of China. Wuhan city is a major domestic and international transport hub. As on 29th January 2020, a total of 6065 cases and 132 deaths of Novel Coronavirus were reported globally, of which 5997 cases were reported from China.

In this regard, Ministry of Health had initiated screening of passengers (since 17.1.2020) coming from China at selected Airports (Kolkata, Delhi, Mumbai, Cochin, Chennai, Bengaluru and Hyderabad). This screening is being undertaken through thermal scanners/infrared thermometers at the pre - immigration area, through Health Counters. It was further expanded from 7 airports to 21 airports (List attached) in view of increasing spread on the disease inside China and in other countries.

You are directed to ensure that as far as flights from China and Hong Kong are concerned, **all the passengers in these flights have to be screened universally through thermal screenings or infrared thermometers.**

Further as directed the announcement **has to be done in all the flights as such for symptomatic screening** in these 21 airports as per the **self-declaration** from **persons having travel history of China or contact with such persons and having cough and fever.**

Further, you are requested to **follow with states** for tying up of **additional thermal scanners** as per the instructions so issued by **Cabinet Secretary in the VC with Chief Secretaries and state Health Secretaries today.**

Additional manpower if needed for the same may be coordinated with the concerned states Health Secretaries.

Yours sincerely,


(Lav Agarwal)

Attached

- List of airports

To,

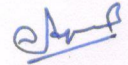
Concerned APHOs/RDs/Officer Concerned.

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1. Principal Secretary (Assam, Bihar, Punjab, Tamil Nadu, West Bengal, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Kerala, Telangana, Odisha, Maharashtra, Delhi, Karnataka, Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh and Goa) with a **request to provide necessary HR and logistics support to the APHOs as per need.**
2. MDNHM (Designated States)

Copy for information to,

1. Sh Anil Malik, Addl. Secretary (Foreigners), Ministry of Home affairs,
2. Ms. Rubina Ali, Joint secretary, Ministry of Civil Aviation
3. Sr. PPS to Secretary (HFW).
4. Sr. PPS to Spl. Secretary (HFW)
5. Sr. PPS to DGHS



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