GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT PUDUCHERRY DISTRICT DISASTER MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY

No.13032020/DRDM/DM/2020/9

Puducherry, dt.16/03/2020

ORDER

WHEREAS, Novel Corona Virus Disease-2019 (COVID- 19) is a fast spreading respiratory disease all over the world and the community is at increasing risk of infection of the disease as some cases with travel history abroad have been reported in other states. The Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India keeping in view the spread of COVID-19 virus in India and the declaration of COVID-19 as pandemic by the World Health Organization(WHO), by way of a special one-time dispensation, has decided to treat it as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF.

AND WHEREAS, the U.T. of Puducherry is taking all possible preventive measures to prevent the possible outbreak of COVID-19.

AND WHEREAS , all the transport operators (bus, taxi, cabs and omnibus etc.) in Puducherry shall:

- create awareness among all the labourers regarding the symptoms of Coronavirus
- provide / display pamphlets, posters, banners in this regard for awareness among the staff and travellers
- grant leave to the drivers, maintenance staff and office employees with possible symptoms and advise them to follow self-imposed home quarantine
- · refer such cases to the nearest designated hospitals
- motivate the employees to follow good hygiene practices and proper hand washing techniques, and provide sanitizer and liquid soap
- ensure hygienic maintenance of the vehicles and sanitisation of vehicles with suitable sanitizer.

The Transport Commissioner shall issue necessary instructions to the department officials to:

- check the incoming vehicles from other states especially from Kerala, Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh at the Transport check posts, to screen travellers with possible symptoms or with travel history to any of the COVID affected areas.
- ensure the instructions issued to the transport operators as above is adhered to

NOW THEREFORE in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 30(2)(v) of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned hereby directs all concerned to adhere to the instructions issued in this Order and enforce it wherever required and also to take such other measures for the prevention and mitigation of disease nCOVID-19. This Order shall come into force with immediate effect and continue till it is rescinded.

(Dr. ARUN, T, I.A.S.)
DISTRICT COLLECTOR-cum-CHAIRMAN (PDDMA)

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- 1. The Transport Commissioner, Puducherry
- 2. All Transport Operators, Puducherry

Copy to

- 1. The P.S. to the Chief Secretary-cum-Chairman (SEC), Puducherry
- 2. The Secretary to Govt. (Transport), Puducherry.
- 3. The Secretary to Chief Minister, Puducherry.
- 4. The OSD to LG, Puducherry.
- 5. The District Collector, Karaikal.
- 6. The P.S. to all Ministers, Puducherry.
- 7. The Regional Administrator, Mahe / Yanam.