HM&FW Department - COVID-19 – Lockdown - Containment, Control and Prevention of spread of COVID-19 - Arrangements for shelter and food requirements of migrant labour from other States who are stranded in Andhra Pradesh - Guidelines - Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE (B2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 230 Dated: 04-04-2020

Read the following:

6) G.O.Rt.No. 211, HM&FW (B2) Dept., Dt.23.03.2020.
9) G.O.Rt.No. 218, HM&FW (B2) Dept., Dt.27.03.2020.
10) G.O.Rt.No. 219, HM&FW (B2) Dept., Dt.27.03.2020.
12) G.O.Rt.No. 221, HM&FW (B2) Dept., Dt. 29.03.2020.
14) GO MS No 224, HM&FW (B2) Dept; Dt. 31.03.2020.

ORDER:

The Hon’ble Chief Minister reviewed the arrangements made with regard to shelter and food requirements of migrant labour from other States who are stranded in Andhra Pradesh.

2. The Government after examination, is hereby issue the following directions for strict adherence:

1) Special Shelter Centres are established by the Government for providing shelter and food to the migrant workers, homeless people, beggars etc., as per the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) issued vide G.O.14th read above. The Social Welfare Department functionaries or Officers appointed by the District Collectors for this exclusive activity has to take care of food and other essential requirements of the migrant workers, homeless people, beggars etc., The Officer appointed to run the shelter, shall display the Menu being provided prominently. The expenditure for maintenance of such shelter shall be drawn from the State Disaster Relief Funds (SDRF) by the District Collector.

2) In the case of migrant labour from other States employed by different Industries and various Small & Medium Enterprises (SMEs), the management of the establishments have to take care of the food requirements of these labour. Further, if the District Collector feels any necessity to support them in case of non-cooperation from the managements of such Enterprises, relief shelter shall be opened depending on the requirement on case to case basis and ration shall be provided through Civil Supplies Corporation i.e., 5 kgs of rice per person.

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and one kg of red gram dal or pulses. The Centre in-charge shall be responsible to ensure that, proper record is maintained regarding the persons/ Families supported to enable drawl of funds from the SDRF.

3) In case of migrant labour belonging to Andhra Pradesh stranded in other Districts for agriculture and allied activities, the Civil Supplies Department shall provide them ration based on the entitlement using portability in e-PDS as per the original ration card issued to them in their respective native places by posting the data as per procedure. In case any labour reports that, they are not provided ration card for any reason, their data shall be recorded and send the same to the District Collector of their native District for users of ration cards. In such cases, the ration as per the scale given to BPL families shall be provided to them as one-time measure.

4) The Civil Supplies Department shall issue operational guidelines with regard to points - (2) and (3) above separately. The District Collectors are directed to take immediate necessary action on pending issue of formal orders in view of the urgency.

5) The shelters run by the Government and Industrial establishments shall be visited by the local Government doctor at least once in a day to take care of the health issues and counsel them in the time of hardship. Similarly, one ANM or Health Worker shall be attached to such Centre for monitoring the health situation of the inmates. The Officers in-charge of such Centres shall have phone numbers of at least two inmates and be in touch with them on daily basis to ensure food is provided and proper care is taken to ensure that there is no spread of COVID-19. Further, it is directed to identify one Counsellor from the local NGOs not only to calm down those who are in state of panic but also to supervise the welfare activities of the migrants as per the Directions given by the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India in WP(s)(Civil) No(s) 468/2020.

6) No person belonging to other State stranded in Andhra Pradesh should complain about non-availability of food and other basic amenities. All District Collectors are directed to make Dy. Director, Social Welfare as in-charge for this work as per Standard Operating Procedure (SOP). If the District Collector entrust this responsibility to any other Officer, they may report the issues to the Director Social Welfare; the Director, BC Welfare and the Director, Tribal Welfare, who are appointed for relief coordination involving NGOs, Voluntary Groups, CSR funding etc., including attending to stranded persons/distress families under Quarantine, Old Age, Sick and needy people.

7) The Chief Commissioner, Commercial Taxes, shall oversee all the above arrangements with the help of coordinating team mentioned above appointed by the Government. The details of relief counters run by Government/NGOs/Industrial Establishments etc., shall be updated daily in the Proforma without fail.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

NILAM SAWHNEY,
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
All the District Collectors in the State.

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The Commissioner of Police, Visakhapatnam, Vijayawada.
All the Superintendents of Police in the State.
All the Municipal Commissioners in the State.
All DM&HOs in the State.
The Secretary to Government, Civil Supplies Department.
The Commissioner, Civil Supplies Department.
The Chief Commissioner, Commercial Taxes.
The Prl.Secretary to Government, Social Welfare Department.
The Director, Social Welfare Department.
The Director, B.C. Welfare Department.
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