OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Public Health response to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

The undersigned is directed to refer to spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) cases in several countries. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has been coordinating the efforts of the Central Government in order to mitigate the impact of the outbreak in India. In this regards following course of action / directions have been given in a Video Conference meeting, chaired by Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat on 09.03.2020:

(i) Bio-metric attendance to be dispensed with;
(ii) Video Conferencing to be preferred;
(iii) Video Conferencing with corona affected countries;
(iv) Avoid large conferences and meetings;
(v) To extend support to State Governments / local organizations.

2. Further, following specific tasks have been entrusted with MoRTH:

(i) Ensure sanitation of seats, handles and bars of all public transport vehicles;
(ii) Display of public messages on transport vehicles.

3. All concerned are requested to take immediate action in this regard.

Under Secretary to the Government of India

(Anil Sharma)

To

1. DG (RD) & SS
2. Chairman, NHAI
3. MD, NHIDCL
4. Director, IAHE
5. Secretary General, IRC
6. All JS / CE’s

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