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Government of Goa


To,

1. All Secretaries, Government of Goa.
2. Collector/Chairperson (DDMA), North-Goa.
3. Collector/Chairperson (DDMA, South-Goa.
4. All HoDs, Government of Goa.

Sub: Minutes of the State Executive Committee: reg.

On 08/04/2020, the State Executive Committee (SEC) reviewed implementation of the directions issued by the Chairperson, National Executive Committee and as conveyed by the MHA from time to time.

After deliberation, the SEC has taken certain decisions for the proper implementation of the above instructions. Please find enclosed herewith a copy of minutes of SEC meeting for necessary action. The same has approval of the Chairman, SDMA.

(SANJAY KUMAR)
Secretary, Revenue
Member Secretary, SEC & SDMA

Encl.: As above.

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1. Secretary to Hon'ble Governor, Goa
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Minutes of Meeting of the State Executive Committee held in the
Forest Bhavan, on 8th April 2020

On 08/04/2020, a meeting of State Executive Committee (SEC) was held under the
Chairmanship of Chief Secretary (also Principal Secretary, PWD), Goa and all the following
members attended:

1. Shri Puneet Goel, Principal Secretary, Science and Technology
2. Shri SK Bhandari, Secretary, Transport
3. Shri Sanjay Kumar, Secretary Revenue, Member Secretary, SEC & SDMA

The following officers also attended the meeting as special invitee:
1. Daulat A. Hawaldar, Secretary, Finance
2. Shri Subhash Chandra, PCCF
3. Shri Kunal, CEO
4. Shri Rajesh Kumar, DIG
5. Ms. Nila Mohanan, Secretary, Health
6. Shri Amit Satija, Commissioner, Excise
7. Shri PS Reddy, Secretary, Fisheries
8. Shri J. Ashok Kumar, Secretary, Tourism
9. Shri Sanjay Grihar, Secretary, Panchayats
10. Shri C.R. Garg, Secretary, Law
11. Ms. Isha Khosla, Secretary, Civil Supply.
12. Shri. U. P. Parsekar, Principal Chief Engineer (PWD)
13. Shri. R. G. Keni, Chief Engineer ( Electricity)

After deliberation on the current situation, the SEC noted and decided the following:

1. The Secretary, Health informed that all test results received for the last remaining 14
cases in the past-24 hours were negative. Now, no sample was pending for the
testing in GMC. No new cases have been detected after 3rd April 2020. Goa has
seven positive cases of COVID19 till date. Six of the positive cases have travel
history and only one infection happened in Goa, who is brother of one of the patients
who earlier tested positive. The SEC noted with caution that Goa had not yet faced
any community transmission.

2. The SEC deliberated on the availability of masks. A mechanism needs to be put in
place to make the masks available at reasonable rates. The SEC asked Secretary,
Civil Supply to examine the possibility of declaring the masks as Essential
Commodity as the Central government has delegated the necessary powers to the
States under the Essential Commodities Act, 1965.
3. The SEC asked the DIG to put a mechanism to ensure that no person uses the Railways tracks for inter-state movement. A mechanism needs to be in place to ensure that no person can walk along such tracks to cross the State border.

4. Shri PS Reddy, Secretary, Fisheries informed the SEC that Quarantined facilities are functioning as per norms. The Margao Residency now has nine inmates left as compared to 23 earlier. Similary, the Old Goa residency has three remaining inmates only.

5. Secretary, Health informed that the training for the Master trainers and Incident Commanders for the planned House-to-House survey has started. A few teams were also sent to the field to conduct a pilot survey. After their feedback, necessary course correction would be done, if required. Additionally, repeated appeals should also be made to build confidence in the people to support the staff engaged in this survey. The purpose of the survey is to identify people having flu like symptoms for getting their tests done.

6. Commissioner, Excise informed that out of 13 units manufacturing alcohol, nine have started manufacturing hand sanitizers. The total production so far is about 70,000 liters. Out of which, about 20,000 liters has been made available for the Government of Goa departments and defence forces. The rest of the quantity is being sent to other States/UTs apart from making them available for local requirements.

7. Director (Panchayat) informed that out of 191 Panchayats, 164 have started the pre-monsoon work, such as desilting of nullah and gutters. The similar work is going on in Municipal areas.

8. PCE (PWD) informed that he needs to bring a gang of workers to undertake an emergency repair of the large Hydraulic pump. The trained gang is available in Karnataka. The SEC advised the PCE to manage the work within Goa as far as practicable. However, if such movement is required, then the gang of workers shall be kept at an isolated location near the worksite or testing facility. The Health department shall send a team to take their samples for testing to ensure they are COVID negative. Thereafter, the workers shall be allowed to start the job only after a negative report comes.

9. The SEC also asked the PCE(PWD) to be prepared to carry out necessary maintenance and repair works for the National and State Highways after the end of lockdown, only with the help of the labourers available within the State.

10. April is the time to start the activity of pruning of trees along the roads. Generally, Dy Collectors lead this exercise with their staff. However, considering that most of the revenue staff would be engaged in the relief work, AE (PWD) may take up this work along all the roads. The Collectors shall provide the necessary guidance and support for this exercise, as done every year. However, the Collectors may form a team consisting of AE(PWD), ACF, and CEO of Municipal bodies/ Panchayat Secretary at
village panchayat level. The Collectors, after forming the teams under AE (PWD), shall share the lists with the PCCF for any further support, if required.

11. The SEC asked the District Observers to remain alert during the lockdown period. This is necessary as the last positive tested case came on 3rd of April. The SEC emphasised the need for ensuring the effective lockdown.

Committee also conveys to all concerned that as per MHA orders, any person violating these containment measures or not complying with the above directions will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provisions of Section 51 to 60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides legal action u/s 188 of the IPC.

(Sanjay Kumar)
Secretary, Revenue
Member Secretary, SEC & SDMA