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Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
(Disaster Management Division)

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To
The Chief Secretaries
(All States)

Subject: Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer this Ministry’s letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14th March 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to enclose herewith partially modified list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF.

Yours faithfully,

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Copy to AS(UT), MHA for making similar provisions for utilization of UT Disaster Response Funds by the Union Territories.

CC for information: PS to HM/MOS(N)/HS
Annexure to Ministry of Home Affairs letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14.03.2020
Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 virus outbreak

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| 1.     | Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:  
(a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations.  
(b) Cost of consumables for sample collection.  
(c) Support for checking, screening and contact tracing. | As per actual expenditure and as per the assessment of need by State Executive Committee (SEC), to ensure the effective containment of outbreak for a period upto 30 days. The SEC will decide the number of quarantine camps, their duration and the number of persons in such camps.  
\[\text{This period can be extended by the SEC beyond the prescribed limit subject to condition that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25\% of SDRF allocation for the year.}\]  
Medical care may also be provided from National Health Mission (NHM). |
| 2.     | Procurement of essential equipments/labs for response to COVID-19:  
a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables.  
b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities.  
c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, and consumables for Government hospitals. | Expenditure is to be incurred from SDRF only (and not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC) to strengthen the surveillance and control measures against COVID-19 virus outbreak.  
Total expenditure on equipment should not exceed 10\% of the annual allocation of the SDRF |

Note:-
1. SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.
2. Any amount spent by the State for COVID-19, over and above the ceiling, would be borne out of the resources of the State Government and not from SDRF.

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