# PROCEEDINGS OF THE LABOUR COMMISSIONER, KERALA (PRESENT: PRANABJYOTI NATH, I.A.S.)

Sub: - Labour Commissionerate - Covid-19 Preventive, safety and welfare measures for the migrant workers - Constitution of District Level Co-ordination and Response team for addressing the Psychosocial grievances - Orders issued - reg.

Read: 1.D.O. Letter No. 40-3/2020-DM-I (A) dated 12.4.2020 of the Home Secretary, Govt. of India.

2. Minutes of meeting dated 13.4.2020 convened in the Chamber of Labour Commissioner for analysing the lockdown associated Welfare measures/psychosocial issues of migrant workers.

# ORDER No.Enf.(5) 4113/2020: DATED 13-04-2020

In pursuance of the directions contained in the D.O. letter read as 1<sup>st</sup> paper above and on the basis of the minutes of the meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> read paper above, orders are issued as follows.

- 2. It has been decided to constitute a District Level Co-ordination and Quick Response Team which caters to the welfare/psychosocial grievances of the migrant workers sheltered in camps across Kerala to instill confidence and to remove anxiety related to Covid-19 pandemic regulations, as mentioned here under.
  - Comprising of District Labour Officer as Convenor,
    Additional District Magistrate, Dy. Superintendent of
    Police, District Mental Health Nodal Officer, Deputy
    Director, Panchayath, Women & Child District Project
    Officer as members. This Committee shall meet once

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in three days to review the field visits and the status reported. Such report shall be submitted to the District Collector for intervention under intimation to the Labour Commissioner.

(ii) Quick Response Team in the field level will be constituted as follows:-

Assistant Labour Officers/Inspector of Plantations as Convenors, the respective Panchayath Secretary, personnel/Home guard deputed by Police Department and the Village Officer concerned, as members. This Quick Response Team shall visit the camps, compulsorily the larger ones, more frequently based on the details of grievances escalated to them from the District level call centres and will take action to remove the anxiety and associated queries of the migrant workers. The queries related to any psycho- social issue shall be categorised based on the nature of compliant. The existing helpline/ district level call centre shall refer any such psychosocial grievance to the trained psychosocial support team (list appended as Annexure I), constituted under the Department of Health, Govt. of Kerala. This team comprising of multi lingual counsellors will associate with the District Helpline numbers already provided. The counsellors shall respond to the psychosocial grievances. They shall further escalate specific complaints to the Quick Response Team deployed in the field which will in turn conduct visits to the camps and meet the workers individually. The Quick Response Team thus visiting the camps shall report to the District Level Co-ordination Committee on the

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grievances redressed in the format(spread sheet) enclosed as Annexure II

3. The Quick Response Team shall sensitize the migrant workers about the welfare measures being extended to them by the Govt. of Kerala and emphasise on the lockdown regulations as per the orientation check list points, enclosed herewith as Annexure III The anxiety and concerns of workers shall properly be addressed and specific grievances shall promptly be attended to.

Labour Commissioner.

To

- 1. The Additional Chief Secretary, Home & Vigilance ( with C/L)
- 2. Additional Chief Secretary, Labour & Skills (with C/L)
- 3. Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department. Govt. of Kerala.
- 4. The Principal Secretary, Local Self Govt. Department.(with C/L)
- 5. Dr. Ratan Kelkar IAS, Director, NHM Govt. of Kerala.
- 6. Sri. K. Sanjaykumar Garudin IPS, Deputy Inspector of General of Police, Southern Range.
- 7. Sri. K. Biju IAS, Special Secretary, Local Self Govt. Department.
- 8. Sri. A. Alexander IAS, Registrar of Co-op. Societies.
- 9. All District Collectors
- 10. All District Police Chiefs
- 11. The Director of Health Services
- 12. The Director, Urban Affairs.
- 13. The Director of Panchayath

- 14. All Additional Labour Commissioners
- 15. All Regional Joint Labour Commissioners & CIP
- 16. All Deputy Labour Commissioners.
- 17. Labour Publicity Officer.
- 18. District Labour Officers.

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19. All Assistant Labour Officers and Inspector of Plantations.

# ANNEXURE I

#### LIST OF HINDI SPEAKING SOCIAL WORK COUNSELLORS AS VOLUNTEERS

Name	Ph.No	District			
Resmi Shiju	9744618761	Pathanamthitta			
Dr.Peter	9446436918 . Pathanamthitta				
Anjali	8281197150	Alappuzha			
Parvathy	9020971026 Alappuzha				
Ajay Paul	7560801510 Alappuzha				
Alex .	8907887346 Alapuzha				
George	9544914651	Alappuzha			
Anju	9446680249	Alappuzha			
Charanya	9400558905	Alappuzha			
Archana	9747570569	Alappuzha			
Dr.lpe Varughese	9446448215	Kottayam			
Joy	9747522003	Kottayam			
Sinu Thomas	9495235265	Kottayam			
Ullas	9747196002	Kottayam			
Ms.Sreekala Lenin	9746589903	Ernakulam			
Mr.Nikhil	9995157411	Ernakulam			
Benson	8547948557 Thrissur				
Vineetha	9495916475	Thrissur			
Vrinda das	7034925038	Thrissur			
Praise	9567985006 Thrissur				
Leo Rajan	8848103374	Thrissur			
Merina	7907352671	Thrissur			
Sruthy	6282460320	Thrissur			
Sujeesh Nair	9946043604	Kozhikode			
Dr.Vincy Abraham	9037716504	Palakkad			
Sreekanth	9847809538	Palakkad			
Sreejesh	8861865996	Kannur			
Saviourkutty	8113071154	Kannur			
Asish Dey	9747347999	S. Bathery Wayanad			
Ana Pinto					
Soumya J	9539384655	Puthpariyaram Kannur			
Deena Balakrishnan	9387651328	Trivandrum			
Vandana.P.S.	8589852179	Kottayam			
Vijiatha Retheesh	9947758745	Ernakulam			
Dr. Emarson VP	9567886018	Ernakulam			
Leny Shemy	9747724097	Ernakulam			

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Seri   Name & Mob No of Assistant Labour   locations of the existing   Taluk, Village in which the all Officers in charge	Panchayat, Ward No. in which the camp is functioning persons including	eir state of origin (who provides as facilities (own facilities (own assessments/contractor	accommodat and the the	Status of food availability: provisions given for cooking OR cookied food available from the angle of the ministratus from the angle of 14	(Whatsapp) Persons
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Annexue II (2)

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Social/Psychol V		Made on	Made on	Made on 04.04.2020		Made on 06.04.2020	Made on 07.04.2020	Made on 08.04.2020	Made on 09.04.2020	10.04.2020	11.04.2020	12.04.2020	18(12)	fforecast)	20	facilities 21
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# **ANNEXURE - III**

# Points for orientation/sensitization

- It is a Nation wide lockdown prevailing at present. It is applicable to all Hence you are advised to stay safe in the camps
- Even if you want to return back home, your Native State may be reluctant to receive you. We can think of your departure only when your State, among others, opens their boundaries for transit.
- If you leave on your own, breaking the lockdown regulations, en-route anything can happen to you. You may not be traced out and your family will be embarrassed under this situation.
- You may not be able to reach home without undergoing two spells of quarantine period of 24 days each ie., one in your home State and the other one, when you return to Kerala for want of work. In short almost one and half months will be lost in agony.
- As a responsible citizen of India it is your duty to call your family, give them confidence and convince them about the situation. If you wish we will get in touch with your family.
- If you try to reach home, tress passing the lockdown regulations, your family members and local people would presume that you might have contracted the Covid-19 disease.
- Any attempt to break the lockdown regulations will compel the Police and other authorities to take necessary action against you. About 75000 cases have been registered by the Police against the Native Keralites, till now.
- If lockdown would not have happened and if you were working in Kerala, this situation could have been avoided. But it was unprecedented.
- **Beware** of middle men who are likely to trap you giving false assurances of your transit/journey back home.
- **Do not** spread false/fake news via. Social media platform.

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