

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

Orders by the Governor

NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong the 6th April, 2020.

No. Health.99/2020/21 :- In view of the urgent need to put in place a protocol for first reported positive COVID -19 case in Meghalaya, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to prescribe the following procedure elaborated below.

This order will come into force with immediate effect.

Protocol for first reported positive COVID-19 case in the State.

- If a patient that falls under the case definition of COVID-19 has arrived at any of the designated hospital with sample collection facility, the patient will remain at that designated hospital in the isolation ward until the patient results are received.
- In case the patient is tested positive and falls under the category A, B and C (mild and severe symptoms), the patient will remain at the same designated hospital until recovery.
- If the patient falls under category D (critical) and there is a need for ICU care, the patient will be shifted to nearest designated hospital with such facility.

- The patient's sample will be collected at the hospital/ facility and be transported to NEIGRIHMS by IDSP.
- The patient will remain in isolation at the designated hospital/ facility for till results are received.
- If results come up positive, the patient will remain at the designated facility/hospital until recovery from COVID-19.
- The DC / District Surveillance Officer will take immediate steps for contact tracing of positive cases and ensure isolation and testing of all the persons who have come into close contact with the positive patient.
- If the patient is tested negative but are showing mild symptoms, the patients will be asked if they have room available in their homes for Home-Quarantine or if they would prefer to go to CCC or quarantine facility. This is to be done with assistance from District Surveillance Teams.
- Critical patients who will need ICU and ventilator support will be placed at Civil Hospital Shillong / Tura (provided availability of beds) or at NEIGRIHMS or at any of the other hospitals that have agreed to keep COVID-19 critical patients in their dedicated COVID-19 ICU with ventilator support.

<p>Protocol for first 10 reported positive COVID-19 cases in the State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If a patient that falls under the case definition of COVID-19 has arrived at any of the designated hospital with sample collection facility, the patient will remain at that designated hospital in the isolation ward until the patient the results are received. - In case the patient is tested positive and falls under the category A, B and C (mild and severe symptoms), the patient will remain at the same designated hospital until recovery. - If the patient falls under category D (critical) and there is a need for ICU care, the patient will be shifted to nearest designated hospital with such facility. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The patient's sample will be collected at the hospital/ facility and be transported to NEIGRIHMS by IDSP. - The patient will remain in isolation at the designated hospital/ facility for till results are received. - If results come up positive, the patient will remain at the designated facility/hospital until recovery from COVID-19. - If the designated hospital does not have a dedicated ICU beds with ventilator support for COVID-19, the patient would be shifted to Civil Hospital, Shillong or Tura.
<p>Protocol after 10th reported positive COVID-19 cases in the State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Asymptomatic and mild symptomatic patients (category A and B) will be treated at Corona Care Centres; - Severe symptomatic patients (category C) will be placed at the Civil Hospital, Shillong or any of the designated hospitals for severe cases (if there is no room available in Civil Hospital, Shillong). - Critical patients who will need ICU and ventilator support will be placed at Civil Hospital Shillong / Tura (provided availability of beds) or at NEIGRIHMS or at any of the other hospitals that have agreed to keep COVID-19 critical patients in their dedicated COVID-19 ICU with ventilator support 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The detailed protocol on handling suspect and infected cases issued by the Government notification No. Health. 99/2020/12 dated 28th March 2020 be referred.

(Sd/-Sampath Kumar)
Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya
Health & Family Welfare Department

Copy to :-

- 1.The Secretary to the Governor of Meghalaya,Shillong for kind information of Governor
- 2.The Private Secretary to Chief Minister,Meghalaya,Shillong for kind information of Chief Minister.
- 3.The Private Secretary to Deputy Chief Minister,Meghalaya,Shillong for kind information of Deputy Chief Minister.
- 4.The Private Secretary to Health Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Minister.
- 5.Private Secretaries to all Ministers,Meghalaya,Shillong for kind of Minister.
6. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary for kind information of the Chief Secretary.
- 7.The Additional Chief Secretaries/Principal Secretaries/ Commissioners & Secretaries/ Secretaries of all the Department,Government of Meghalaya.
- 8.Director of Health Services (MI),Meghalaya,Shillong with a request to ensure that these protocols are despatched to and received by all private hospitals.
9. Director of Health Services (MCH & FW)/(Research),Meghalaya,Shillong
9. The Director, Printing & Stationery, Shillong for publication in the Meghalaya Gazette.
- 10.All Deputy Commissioners,
East Khasi Hills, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin/Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh / West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai / West Garo Hills District, Tura / East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar / South Garo Hills District, Baghmara/North Garo Hills, Resubelpara/South West Garo Hills, Ampati/East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat/ South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat.
- 11.Joint Director of Health Services (MCH & FW) I/c IDSP,Meghalaya,Shillong.
- 12.Joint Director of Health Services(Surgeon Superintendent),Civil Hospital,Shillong/Medical Superintendent (Jt.DHS) Ganesh Das Hospital, Shillong/ Joint Director of Health Services (Garo Hills Division) Tura/State T.B. Officer-cum-Superintendent, R.P.Chest Hospital, Shillong/Project Director, Meghalaya AIDS Control Society, Pasteur Hills, Polo, Shillong
- 13.Superintendent, Civil Hospital, Jowai / Tura/MCH Hospital, Tura/Tirot Sing Memorial Hospital, Mairang/100 Bedded Hospital, Nongpoh/ Nongstoin/ Williamnagar/ Khliehriat/ MIMHANS,Shillong.
- 14.District Medical & Health Officer, East Khasi Hills, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin/Ri Bhoi District, Nongpoh / West Jaintia Hills District, Jowai / West Garo Hills District, Tura / East Garo Hills District, Williamnagar / South Garo Hills District, Baghmara/North Garo Hills, Resubelpara/South West Garo Hills, Ampati/East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat/ South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat.
15. Executive Director, State Disaster Management Authority,Shillong.....
- 16.District Surveillance Officers.....

By Orders, etc.



Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya,
Health & Family Welfare Department