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

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Dated 14.03.2020

To
The Chief Secretaries
(All States)

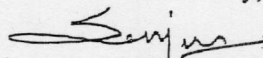
Subject: Items and Norms of assistance from the State Disaster Response Fund
(SDRF) in wake of COVID-19 Virus Outbreak

Sir/Madam

I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 32-7/2014 dated 8th April, 2015 on the above mentioned subject.

2. The Central Government, keeping in view the spread of COVID-19 Virus in India and the declaration of COVID-19 as pandemic by the World Health Organisation (WHO), by way of a special one time dispensation, has decided to treat it as a notified disaster for the purpose of providing assistance under SDRF. A list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible from SDRF is annexed.

Yours faithfully,


(Sanjeev Kumar Jindal)

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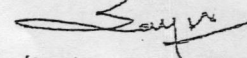
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I am directed to refer this Ministry's letter No. 33-4/2020-NDM-I dated 14th March 2020 on the above mentioned subject and to enclose herewith *partially modified* list of items and norms of assistance for containment of COVID-19 Virus in India, eligible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

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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

Sl. No.	ITEMS	NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
1.	<p>Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:</p> <p>(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.</p> <p>(b) Cost of consumables for sample collection.</p> <p>(c) Support for checking, screening and contact tracing.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p><i>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.</i></p> <p>Medical care may also be provided from National Health Mission (NHM).</p>
2.	<p>Procurement of essential equipments/labs for response to COVID-19:</p> <p>a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables.</p> <p>(b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities.</p> <p>(c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, and consumables for Government hospitals.</p>	<p>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.</p> <p>Total expenditure on equipment should not exceed 10% of the annual allocation of the SDRF</p>

Note:-

- SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.
- 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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14/3/2020