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To

All Directors/PDs of ICAR Institutes/PDs/NRCs/ATARIs etc.

Subject :- Public health response to Novel Coronavirus (COVID 19) outbreak.

As you are aware, the Government of India has taken a number of proactive measures such as travel restrictions, universal screening of passengers at airports and seaports, suspension of visas and self-quarantine measures to effectively prevent, contain and manage COVID-19. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) being the nodal ministry of the Govt. of India has been issuing instructions to contain/mitigate the impact of this outbreak. The instructions issued by MoHFW in this regard are being notified for information of all through all the available media viz print, social, digital, radio/FM. Accordingly, the Council on its part has dispensed with the biometric (AEBAS) attendance system in conformity with the advisory issued by the DOPT, GoI and would provide necessary instructions/advisory as are conveyed by the GoI from time to time.

2. A copy of the following instructions/guidelines issued by the MoHFW are hereby circulated for information to all concerned for their compliance :-

- Posters indicating the Do's & Dont's (Hindi and English versions) (ANNEXURE I)
- Advisory on Social Distancing Measures in view of spread of COVID-19 disease. (ANNEXURE II)
- Guidelines on use of masks by public. (ANNEXURE III)
- Guidelines for home quarantine. (ANNEXURE IV)

The attached posters may be suitably displayed at appropriate locations in the office/Institute premises to re-inforce the message.

3. The following measures are also to be followed upto 31st March, 2020 :-

- Conference/Seminars/mass gatherings may be avoided. As far as possible meetings may be held through video conference instead of arranging physical gatherings;
- Contacts with foreign national, especially those from countries affected by COVID-19 needs to be avoided;
- Canteen services in ICAR Institutes be put on hold to avoid gatherings;
- Cleanliness and hygiene be maintained all around and precautions be taken for containment instead of any kind of panic.

4. Besides above instructions, the Institutes/PDs/NRCs/ATARIs etc. are also advised to follow the instructions/guidelines as are issued from time to time in connection with COVID-19 by the respective State/UT Government(s) where the Institutes are located.



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Director (Admn.)

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Copy for information to :-

1. PSO to DG, ICAR / PPS to DDGs, ICAR / PPS to Secretary, ICAR / PPS to FA, DARE/ICAR.
2. All officers/Sections at ICAR Hqrs. (through e-office).
3. Media Unit for display on website.
4. e-office Notice board.