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With a view to streamline the sample collection process for COVID 19 infection it has been decided that the microbiologist of the concerned District Hospital (IGM and other district Hospital) shall ensure collection SWAB from the quarantine people housed in different quarantine centre throughout the State and no suspected patients to be brought before the AGMC authority. The SOP of collection to be maintained properly and there should not be any contamination. Necessary precautionary measures should be taken for transport of the sample from the collecting point to the nodal testing centre of AGMC. The collection of sample of all suspected cases are to be taken without any fail and this should be intensified to cover maximum number of cases. The HoD of Microbiology Department, AGMC is requested to give advance requisition of reagents and kits to ICMR in anticipation of imminent crisis so as to avoid any shortage of reagents. The HoD of the Department of Microbiology shall ensure procurement of additional PCR machine/kits from the funds of NHM.

2. The CMOs of the concerned District shall coordinate with the MS of the District Hospital and subsequent transport to the testing centre. A daily report in this regard is to be shared with State Surveillance Officer.

(Dr. D. Basu) Secretary, H&FW

To

- 1. DHS/DFWPM/MD, NHM/DME
- 2. HoD, Department of Microbiology, AGMC

3. All CMOs

4. All MS of AGMC/IGM/District Hospital

Copy to :-

- 1. The OSD to the Hon'ble CM
- 2. The PS to the Chief Secretary
- 3. The State Observer, COVID 19
- 4. The Principal, AGMC
- 5. All DM & Collector

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