To,
Airport Director, Airport Authority of India, JPNI Airport, Patna, Bihar
Airport Controller, Airport Authority of India, Gaya Airport, Gaya, Bihar

Patna, Date- 27/01/2020

Sub: HEALTH ALERT-Regarding inter-sectoral coordination for prevention of outbreak due to novel Coronavirus

Ref: SHSB Letter No: 7876, dated 25/01/2020

Sir/Madam,

You must be aware that outbreak of novel Coronavirus (nCoV) is being reported in Wuhan city of China. As of 26 January 2020, 2744 cases have been confirmed in China including 80 deaths. Other countries where n-CoV cases have been reported include: Thailand (7), Japan (3), South Korea (3), US (3), Vietnam (2), Singapore (4), Malaysia (3), Nepal (1), France (3), Australia (4).

With the commencement of religious pilgrimage there are chances of visit of passengers from the above affected countries to our State. Advisory to keep vigil for novel Corona Virus (n-CoV) has already been provided to all the districts, Govt. Medical College and Hospitals & Airport Authorities vide above reference letter (Encl: 1).

To prevent any possible outbreak in the State, Patna and Gaya districts are required to ensure following steps:

1) Providing space (isolation room) and health counter for screening of passengers.
2) Announcement in the flight regarding patients travel history and n-CoV symptoms.
3) Daily reporting of the passengers screened at the respective Airports to District Surveillance Unit. Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme (IDSP) of Patna and Gaya districts who would provide the consolidated report to State Surveillance Unit, IDSP. Format for daily reporting is attached as (Encl: 2) for your ready reference.
4) Providing space for Hoardings and banners at your respective Airports for display on novel-CoV.
5) Providing the Health Advisory to pilgrims and travelers visiting/arriving from above countries in coordination with Health Authorities (Gaya and Patna).
6) Any other support to the respective district health authorities as and when required.

The Advisory along with IEC material is annexed for ready reference. We would like to work very closely together and are greatly appreciative of your assistance in keeping the citizens of our State healthy.

Enclosures: As above

Yours Sincerely

(Manoj Kumar)

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3. District Magistrate, Patna and Gaya for information & necessary action
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5. Director-in-Chief, Health Services, Bihar for information & necessary action
6. NPO (IDSP), Govt. of India for information

(Executive Director)

Signature