

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
HEALTH, MEDICAL AND FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

**ORDER NO.66/COVID-19**

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**COVID INSTANT ORDER-66**

**Sub:** Re-focused action Plan for meeting the challenge of COVID-19 Surge- Instructions Issued.

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Post Unlockdown, State has registered Increased number of Positive cases and mortality on account of COVID-19. It can be inferred with certainty that we are very close to Surge of COVID-19 cases in the state. From time to time COVID Instant orders have been issued notifying various guidelines to contain spread of Infection and to reduce mortality. Now Time has come to put a concrete action plan covering various action points to meet the challenge of Covid19 surge In all districts of the state. These action points were already given in various covid orders and are being reiterated for your ready reference.

The two outcomes we should achieve out of this action plan are:

1. Time gap between onset of Covid symptoms to detection should be less than or equal to 24 hrs.
2. Detection to death of a positive case should be 6 days in the event of death.

With the above outcomes as main focus, following action points are to be re-focused in all very active Containment Clusters.


1. Very robust community surveillance in all containment zones where case load is high and where deaths have been reported with focussed screening of Persons of high-risk category by field level teams and screening of all persons for Covid symptoms. Please ensure that sufficient field surveillance teams are formed and functioning.
2. Organising Fever Clinics in all high case load clusters on a regular basis till cases come down.
3. Testing of all cases of fever, SARI and ILI cases, All persons with Covid symptoms (list enclosed), Persons with less than 94%of SPO2, Front line health workers, Blue tooth contacts of Positive cases and Primary contacts of Positive case in the containment zone. Not less than 90% of daily testing should be in Containment zones.
4. Sample collection for all persons who need to be tested should be done locally. Please organise testing of persons in high risk category

with less than 94% SPO2 with rapid antigen kits in the locality itself duly taking Precautions as per guidelines to facilitate early detection and all positive cases of Rapid antigen test shall be admitted in Covid Hospitals.

5. For negative cases on Rapid antigen test, X ray /CT scan screening or RT PCR test shall be done to rule out Covid 19.
6. Contact tracing (CT)- CT teams shall be constituted with Village and ward secretariat staff. These teams shall be supervised by Mandal/Municipal level teams. Contact tracing has to happen within 12 hours of positive result being declared.
7. Risk Communication and Community engagement through MEPMA groups, Ward volunteers, Anganwadi functionaries and RWAs in urban areas. SHG members, Village volunteers, Anganwadi functionaries in rural areas.
8. Mask wearing to be made compulsory along with maintaining Physical distance when people come out in public spaces.
9. Display posters which are supplied to districts in Ward / village secretariats.
10. Laboratory functioning to be streamlined by establishing sample reception counters. Samples to be tested are as per Priority given in Covid order 62.
11. Hospital /Clinical management-
  - A. Please assess the beds availability in different layers of hospitals including oxygen beds.
  - B. Covid care centres to function with atleast 3000-5000 beds as per case load with proper medical and civic facilities.
  - C. Encourage home isolation to the extent possible.
  - D. Organise HELP DESK at each Covid hospital and Covid care centre to help the anxious relatives of a positive case who is under treatment.
  - E. Dist control room to be reorganised to handle requests for testing and hospital admissions from hereafter.
12. Transport- Please make use of old vehicles of 108 and 104 services, RBSK vehicles and hire cabs if required for transporting positive and suspect cases.

Remember that all these action points are aimed at achieving twin objectives of reducing time from onset of symptoms to detection and prolonging time from detection to death there by reducing mortality to less than 1%.

All Collectors are requested to lead the fight against Covid 19 once again to meet the challenge of COVID-19 SURGE.



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