## SOP FOR COVID-19 TESTING AT BLOCK LEVELS

In order to contain the rapid increase on COVID\_19 positive cases it has been decided that COVID-19 testing (Rapid Antigen and RTPCR) has to be boosted in the vulnerable pockets of blocks. The following standard operating procedure has to be followed in this regard.

- At each block level a mobile testing team has to be formed by the medical officer of the block (HC/PHC concerned with overall coordination of BDO.
- > Daily target for rapid Antigen testing and RT-PCR shall be provided by the District Authority to all blocks. The BDOs shall accordingly chalk out plans and decide on the areas to be tested.
- The BDOs may focus on the hot-spot areas of their block on the basis of daily report on positive cases sent from District Administration.
- Persons arriving from outside to an area has to be tested.
- The mobile teams shall report the nos. of tests done to the concerned BDOs and Medical Officers of Block CHCs/PHCs on daily basis.
- After test results are made available with BDO, if required mini containment Zone may be formed in consultation with Tahasildars.
- > The rapid response teams stationed with each CHC/PHC of the block shall contain each and every positive case of the block and recommended in the following options:
  - (a) Whether the person to be kept in home isolation.
  - (b) Whether the person to be kept in home guarantine.
  - (c) Whether the person to be referred to COVID hospital.
- > Red stickering shall be done at the house of the person to be kept in home isolation.
- > Yellow sticker shall be pasted at the house of the person to be kept in home quarantine.
- > RRT recommended referred person to COVID hospital has to be sent to Talcher COVID hospital through the dedicated Ambulance stationed at each block headquarter.

The guidelines above are explanatory in nature though not exhaustive. Further instruction may follow in due course.

Hence, it is impressed upon all the offices of Angul District to ensure strict observance above noted standard protocol as a precautionary measure for preventing COVID-19 infection in different public offices.

> Collector & Empowered Officer Angul

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Copy forwarded to all Heads of Offices in Angul District for information and necessary follow up action. They are also requested to instruct their Sub-Ordinate Offices accordingly.

Collector & Empowered Officer
Angul

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Copy forwarded to the DIO, NIC, Angul for information and necessary action. He is requested to host the office order in the District Website for wider publicity and information of all offices.

Collector & Empowered Officer
Angul

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Copy submitted SRC & Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Disaster Management, Odisha, Bhubaneswar/ Addl. Chief Secretary to Government, Health & Family Welfare Department, Odisha, Bhubaneswar / Revenue Divisional Commissioner (Northern Division), Sambalpur for favour of kind information.

Collector & Empowered Officer
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