Chief Minister Reviews Lockdown Modified Lockdown in the State from April 21 Production to Start in Industrial Areas

Jaipur, April 15. Chief Minister Shri Ashok Gehlot said that the 'Modified Lockdown' will be implemented in the State in phased manner from April 21. He directed to start the industrial units after April 20 in rural and industrial areas in the State. This step will provide employment to the migrant labourers present in the State.

Shri Gehlot gave these directions in a high-level meeting held at his official residence on Wednesday over the lockdown. He said that industries in the urban areas can also be started which have the facility to provide staying facility for the labourers at the workplace. Commuting of labourers from outside will not be permitted. He directed that the District Collector, RIICO, District Industry Centre and Police in coordination should ensure this, so that there is no problem on starting the industries during the lockdown. He asked to make foolproof arrangement so that entrepreneurs in case of any kind of requirement could contact the concerned officer. Besides this, arranging pass for labourers and employees for commuting should be made easy.

Other Government Offices Will Also Open

Chief Minister has also directed to open other Government Offices in the phased manner. He said that at present departments involved in essential services are fully functional but other offices should also start working in coming times. He said presence of Group-A and Group-B officers as per requirement should be ensured. Along with, one-third personnel of Group-C and Group-D should be called and should be asked to abide by the social distancing.

Works Related to Public Works and Irrigation Will Start

Shri Gehlot directed that works related to PWD and Irrigation should be started in rural areas. MGNREGS works should be intensified by following the social distancing and other health related protocols. This move will provide more and more employment opportunities to labourers in rural areas. Chief Minister said curfew imposed in the areas that are hotspots of corona infection should be strictly followed. No one will be permitted to commute in these curfew-imposed areas including the employees. Shri Gehlot said it should be ensured that the detailed guidelines issued by the Government of India over extension of lockdown till May 3 completely followed looking to the situation of the State. The State Government is working in coordination with the Centre to protect the general public from this pandemic and in making the economic activities easy, he said.

Chief Secretary Shri DB Gupta, Additional Chief Secretary Home Shri Rajeepa Swarup, Additional Chief Secretary Medical & Health Shri Rohit Kumar Singh and other senior officers were present in the meeting.