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The protection of doctors/ health staff from infection to be ensured

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Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Yogi Adityanath Ji has expressed satisfaction over distribution of Rs 1000 per beneficiary sustenance allowance among poor and weaker sections and directed to launch a drives to further benefit the construction labourers, daily wagers and destitute.

The CM issued these directions while addressing a high-level meeting to review the situation due to lockdown in Lokbhawan on Saturday. The government has so far made available a total of Rs 236.98 crore of sustenance allowance from its own resources to 23.70 lakh such labourers of different categories.
He said that his government has made arrangements to pay Rs 1000 each and food grains to labourers, Daily wagers, Destitute and traditional artisans under Vishvakarma Shram Samman Yojana. He also instructed the officials to identify other destitute of urban and rural areas who are left out so far. It should be done on war-footing he added.

The CM said the government has taken effective measures to meet out various challenges due to Covid-19. Starting from 24th March, 2020 when the amount of Rs 1000 each was transferred through RTGS into the accounts of 5.97 crore registered construction labourers, the government has transferred Rs 135.10 crore into the bank accounts of 13.51 lakh labourers until now, he pointed out.

In a major initiative, the state government transferred Rs 1000 each in the accounts of Thela, rickshaw, e-rickshaw pullers, street vendors, Palledars, railway porters and other daily wagers for their sustenance, he said. As many as 5.82 lakh labourers of urban areas have so far been paid Rs 58.19 crore while a total of Rs 43.69 crore has been transferred to 4.37 lakh helpless and destitute persons of rural areas, he added.

The CM directed to exempt temporary and outsourced employees of educational institution, hospitals and offices from their absence and not cut honorarium of lockdown period. The private units will do the same with their outsourced employees, he further directed.

The officials apprised the CM that the payment of Rs 512.98 crore has been made to the employees of 34,309 private industrial units after proper persuasion. A total of 36,090 such units were
contacted by the concerning department while others are being followed up for the same. The CM appealed to these private units and business establishments to show exemplary compassion and sensitivity towards their employees in such hour of distress.

He said the government has already displayed its humane face while ensured to transfer Rs 611 crore in the accounts of 27.15 lakh MNREGA workers on 30th March, 2020. In addition, the government transferred two month pension in advance totaling Rs 871.48 crore in the accounts of 86.71 lakh beneficiaries of old age, destitue women, Divyaangjan and lepers pension schemes on 03rd April, 2020.

Reviewing the arrangements for protection and treatment of Covid-19, the Chief Minister directed the health officials to ensure availability of ventilators and oxygen for serious patients and also ensure protection of doctors and other health staff. He said the regular supply chain of PPE kits and N-95 masks should be maintained and the covid staff in government and private hospitals should be trained properly before deployment.

Issuing fresh directions for the DMs and CMOs, he said the protection and treatment activities with regards to Covid-19 should be monitored effectively and separate teams to be set up for execution of different works. He was also apprised of the status of community kitchen system.

The CM said all precautions should remain in place in the districts which have become corona-free. The lockdown in these districts should still continue without any relaxation.
He advised that the communication should remain open among the Chief Secretary, Union Home Secretary and Chief Secretaries of other states for redressal of the problems of natives of Uttar Pradesh presently living in other states. The regular feedback from nodal officers is also required in this connection, he added. Also, he required the nodal officers to remain in touch with foreigner students and keep posted various embassies officials about their wellbeing.

The CM said the Mandis, which are in hotspot areas, should be shifted immediately in consultation with DMs, SPs, and Mandi officials. He said the social distancing should be maintained in the Mandis while the persons coming from other places should be quarantined.

The officers present in the meeting included the Chief Secretary Shri R.K. Tiwari, Agriculture Production Commissioner Shri Alok Sinha, Infrastructure and Industrial Development Commissioner Shri Alok Tandon, Additional Chief Secretary Information and Home Shri Awanish Kumar Awasthi, Additional Chief Secretary Finance Shri Sanjiv Kumar Mittal, Additional Chief Secretary Basic Education Ms. Renuka Kumar, Director General of Police Shri H.C. Awasthi, Principal Secretary Health Shri Amit Mohan Prasad, Principal Secretaries to CM Shri S.P. Goyal and Shri Sanjay Prasad, Director Information Shri Shishir and other senior officers.

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