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CM: More than 4 lakh migrant workers reach to their native

Gandhinagar, Thursday: Chief Minister of the state Mr. Vijay Rupani has successfully ensured the safe return of more than 4 lakh migrant workers to their native.

Providing details of the same, Secretary to CM Mr. Ashwani Kumar said, “The state government in co-ordination with GOI has successfully sent 1 lakh 21 thousand migrant workers through labour trains to various states like U.P, Bihar, Orissa, etc. In addition to that, the state government also provided the permission for labourers residing in Surat to return to their native districts/talukas. This includes 5500 workers through S.T buses, 1.67 lakh workers through private vehicles and 1.14 lakh workers through their own vehicles /other private means by the permission of Surat Municipal Corporation.”

The state government, in consultation with GOI, has started special labour trains to states like U.P, Bihar, Orissa etc from 2nd May, 2020. 67 labor trains, each with a capacity of 1200, have been operated from 2nd May, 2020 to 6th May, 2020. This includes 39 trains to U.P, 13 trains to Orissa, 13 for Bihar and 2 trains for Jharkhand.

34 more trains will run today which includes 20 to U.P, 4 to Bihar, 2 to Jharkhand, 5 for Orissa, 2 for Madhya Pradesh and 1 for Chhattisgarh. These trains will start from stations in Ahmedabad, Vadodara, Rajkot, Morbi, Mehsana, Godhra, Jamnagar, Junagadh, Surat.

Around 1 lakh 21 thousand migrant workers have been sent to their respective home states through these trains.

29540 stranded Gujaratis have been successfully brought back till date. This includes 15,523 from Maharashtra, 4252 from Rajasthan, 1412 from Uttar Pradesh, 1590 from Madhya Pradesh, 1138 from Karnataka, and others from Delhi, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh etc.

Free food grain distribution for 61 lakh APL-1 card holders has begun across the length and breadth of Gujarat, except in Ahmedabad, from today. Around 4 lakh beneficiaries have already availed its benefits by noon. Around 8 lakh people will avail its benefits by 10 pm tonight. The state government is following all the safety protocols during the same.

People of Banaskantha, Patan, Mehsana, and Kutch are safe from the attack of
locusts at present. Despite this, the Agriculture Secretary of GOI had a detailed discussion about the same with the ACS of Agriculture Department and concerned District Collectors.

The Chief Minister has sent immediate help to Vishakhapatnam in Andhra Pradesh on account of a gas leak from a private factory. A special chemical called Para Tertiary Butyl Catechol (PTBC), is used for reducing the effects of gas in air after a leak. The same is only manufactured in Vapi.

The Chief Minister had a discussion with P.S, Industries and Collector of Valsad to send 500 kg of PTBC through a flight from Daman.

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