

National Health Mission, Himachal Pradesh

Dated: 6/3/2020

MISSION DIRECTOR (NHM)

06 MAR 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

New Shimla-9 (H.P.)

**Subject: Advisory regarding mass gatherings in view of COVID-19**

It is informed that Government of India has taken out an advisory for the states on organization of mass gatherings etc (copy enclosed). It has been advised that mass gathering may be avoided or possibly be postponed till the disease spread is contained.

In case any such mass gathering is essentially required to be organized in any part of the district, the following measures may be taken for the prevention and control of COVID-19.

1. IEC Material may be displayed and distributed adequately during the mass gathering.
2. The District RRT and the concerned authorities must be geared up to deal with any contingency.
3. Surveillance personnel may be stationed in adequate numbers after adequate trainings.
4. The area/site of gathering should have adequate hand washing facilities with provision of soap etc.
5. The participants in the mass gathering should be put on surveillance if having a positive history of travel from COVID-19 affected countries and should be managed as per protocol.

The list of measures prescribed above is only indicative and all efforts must be made to contain the spread of the disease, if at all the mass gatherings are essentially required to be organized.

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Additional Chief Secretary (Health) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh





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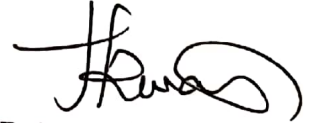
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**Subject: Query from states on mass gatherings – reg**

Kindly recall queries raised by states on organisations of mass gathering etc. In view of the above, it is highlighted that:

- Experts across the World have advised to reduce mass gatherings to avoid the spread of COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus disease. In view of above, it is advised that mass gatherings may be avoided or possibly be postponed till the disease spread is contained.
- In case any such mass gatherings are organised, States may take necessary action to guide the Organisers on precautions to be taken as per the risk communication material already sent so as to avoid any Severe Acute Respiratory Illness (SARI) cases and Influenza Like Illness (ILIs) including Covid-19.

States may take necessary action accordingly in the matter.



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