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## Abstract

Disaster Management Department - Treating Covid-19 as a notified disaster and permitting to use State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) - Items and Norms of assistance from SDRF - Orders Issued

# DISASTER MANAGEMENT (A) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms)No.9/2020/DMD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 17/03/2020

Read:- 1) GO (Ms) No. 194/2015/DMD dated 20-5-2015

2) Letter No.DM/233/2020/SDMA dated 16.03.2020 from Member Secretary, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority.

### **ORDER**

As per GO read as 1st paper above, Govt of Kerala ordered Natural Calamity Norms for Relief Assistance to the victims from SDRF/NDRF for the period 2015-2020. In the wake of Covid-19 Virus outbreak in the Country, Government of India has decided to treat Covid-19 as a Notified Disaster and have permitted the use of State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and has partially modified the norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund.

- 2) Member Secretary, Kerala State Disaster Management Authority has reported that the allocation of SDRF for the financial year 2019-20 is Rs. 224 crores and has requested to issue orders in line with the Government of India directions and authorise the use of funds from SDRF.
- 3) Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to permit to use up to 25% of the SDRF allocation for the year for 'Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening' and up to 10% of SDRF allocation for 'Procurement of essential equipment/labs for response to COVID-19'.
- 4) The norms of assistance permitted are annexed to this order.

The Government Order read as 1st paper is modified

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to this extent.

(By order of the Governor)

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All District Collectors

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# Annexure

# Modified List of items & norms of assistance from State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) in the wake of COVID-19 virus outbreak

		NORMS OF ASSISTANCE
Sl. No.	ITEMS	
1.	Measures for quarantine, sample collection and screening:  (a) Provision for temporary accommodation, food, clothing, medical care, etc. for people affected and sheltered in quarantine camps (other than home quarantine) or for cluster containment operations.	As per actual expenditure and as per the assessment of need by State Executive Committee (SEC), to ensure the effective containment of outbreak for a period upto 30 days. The SEC will decide the number of quarantine camps, their duration and the number of persons in such camps.  This period can be extended by the SEC beyond the prescribed limit subject to condition that expenditure on this account should not exceed 25% of SDRF allocation for the year.
	<ul><li>(b) Cost of consumables for sample collection.</li><li>(c) Support for checking, screening and contact tracing.</li></ul>	Medical care may also be provided from National Health Mission (NHM).
2.	Procurement of essential equipments/labs for response to COVID-19:  a) Cost of setting up additional testing laboratories within the Government and the cost of consumables.  (b) Cost of personal protection equipment for healthcare, municipal, police and fire authorities.  (c) Cost of Thermal Scanners, ventilators, air purifiers, and consumables for Government hospitals.	not from NDRF), as assessed by the State Executive Committee (SEC) to strengthen the surveillance and control measures against COVID-19 virus outbreak.  Total expenditure on equipment should not exceed 10 % of the annual allocation of the SDRF

#### Note:-

1. SEC shall ensure overall oversight mechanism so that no duplication takes place with reference to other Government schemes.

2. Any amount spent by the State for COVID-19, over and above the ceiling, would be borne out of the resources of the State Government and not from SDRF.