

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

HM&FW Department – Containment, Control and Prevention of COVID-19 – LOCKDOWN till 3rd May 2020 in the State of Andhra Pradesh - Guidelines on Intra-State and Inter-State movements of migrants – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (B2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 258

**Dated: 01-05-2020.
Read the following:**

1. MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1, Dt:15.04.2020.
2. MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1 (A), Dt:19.04.2020
3. MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1 (A), Dt:21.04.2020
4. MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1 (A), Dt:24.04.2020
5. MHA Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-1(A), Dt:29.04.2020

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The Government of India in its order vide reference 5th read above, has prescribed an SOP for movement of stranded labourers in different parts of the Country. The economic activities halted due to the Lockdown also started to pick up due to the gradual relaxation of the agriculture and industrial related activities by GoI. The stranded migrant labourers in different parts of the Country shall be encouraged to participate in the economic activity of their choice in the places of their stay if they are willing.

2. The agricultural harvest operations are almost coming to an end due to which migrant labourers who are working as chilli workers, tobacco workers etc across the State may be wanting to go back to their native places. Similarly, there are many labourers who have migrated to different parts of the Country on vocation purpose and waiting to return to their native after the National Lockdown is over on 3rd May, 2020.

3. The following guidelines are issued for allowing Intra State and Inter State Migrant labourers across the state and country.

I. Guidelines for Intra-State Migrant Labourer:

1. Identification of the migrant labour whether in agriculture or in industry shall be done District wise along with their current place of stay i.e. relief camp or in industrial estate / industry camp or other camps.
2. Such stranded labour shall be encouraged to call **Toll free number 1902** to register their wish to go back to their native village. Further they can register through an APP Covid-19 Andhra Pradesh and also through the website www.spandana.ap.gov.in . All such requests shall be forwarded to the Tahsildar of the concerned Mandal for verification. The Tahsildar shall verify if these persons are currently residing in Green Zone and their native place is also Green zone. They shall be enumerated village wise.
3. **The movement of Intra-State migrant labour shall be directly between Green Zone to Green Zone only and in no case shall be allowed from Red Zone to Green Zone or Green Zone to Red Zone.**
4. Random tests shall be conducted on the migrant labour preferably in a cohort of village wise. For the purpose of random testing persons who are having symptoms of ILI / fever, persons who had mild symptoms of ILI / Fever during their stay in the relief centre, highly vulnerable persons such as persons above 60 years of age with comorbidities, persons with comorbidities shall be tested. The random testing shall be conducted using RTPCR pooling method of sample or TRUNAT whichever is feasible.

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5. If the randomly tests sample of the particular village is found negative the following shall be done:
 - a) Transportation shall be made available directly from the relief camp / other camp to the village or villages in the District where they are supposed to be dropped.
 - b) Nearby villages shall be clubbed together while transporting strictly following the norm of the social distancing. Only 50 % of the Bus seating capacity shall be allowed.
 - c) Communication of the respective local District Administration shall be given in advance.
 - d) The receiving District Administration shall identify in the village a community Quarantine Centre which may be as school or community hall or local building available with the Gram Panchayat to provide 14 day Quarantine for the arriving migrant labourers. The community quarantine centres identified shall be as nearby as possible to the village / villages of the migrant labour pooling.
 - e) After the 14 day community period is over in the quarantine centres they may be allowed to move out into the respective homes duly following procedure and they shall be advised the precautions to be taken while at home and also to stay at home for another 14 days without meeting any one including relatives and friends.
6. If the randomly tested sample(s) of a particular village is found positive, the following shall be done:
 - a. The group of villagers from whom the positive patient is found shall not be allowed to move to the destination District or village and they will remain in their origin place of stay only.
 - b. The COVID positive patient shall be handled as per the treatment protocol and all his contacts shall be traced.
 - c. Once the 14 day quarantine, the standard protocol for discharge from quarantine shall be followed.
 - d. The Gram Sarpanch and Village Secretary of the respective village shall keep vigil on the above persons and ensure they are encouraged to stay at home. Medical supervision of those at community / home quarantine shall be necessarily done daily.

II. Guidelines for Inter-State Migrant Labour

In case of Inter-state migrant labourers who may be wanting to come directly to State of Andhra Pradesh, the following guidelines shall be followed:

1. The State team who is in charge of migrant labour shall communicate with other States to understand the number of people who are willing to come back into the State/District wise. This exercise shall be completed before May 3rd, 2020 so that necessary planning can be made.

The stranded labour of Andhra Pradesh in other States, shall be encouraged to call **1902 Toll free number** to register their wish to go back to their State. They can also apply through the APP Covid19-Andhra Pradesh or through website www.spandana.ap.gov.in. These applications shall be consolidated District wise/ State wise. The State team shall communicate with the sending District / State and arrange for their travel to Andhra Pradesh to the designated locations where they shall be received.

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2. After identification of the District wise Inter-state migrant labourers willing to come back, designated dis-embarkment points i.e. big railway stations or bus stations shall be identified District wise in coordination with the District.
3. The designated dis-embarkment point shall be communicated to the railway authorities as well as to the State Administration from where the migrant labour will come in order to ensure that the migrant labour is allowed to disembark only at that designated points.
4. The District Administration shall make arrangement at the dis-embarkment points to receive the inter-state migrant labours by making arrangement for thermal screening as well scanning for fever / ILIs by adequate number of medical teams.
5. The dis-embarkment points shall be designated for taking samples so that inter mixing will not happen. Symptomatic / vulnerable population as mentioned above shall be tested using pooling / TRUNAT as is feasible.
6. If any person falling in asymptomatic category or non-vulnerable category are tested negative, they can be sent to the respective villages and put into the community quarantine by following some procedures as mentioned above.
7. In case of tested positive then the protocol for hospitalisation / quarantine shall be followed at the place of dis-embarkment itself.
8. The State team respectively for migrant labour shall get the details of where the people are coming from. Adequate care shall be taken at the dis-embarkment places for identification of people coming from Red and Containment clusters in other States and they shall not be allowed to move to Green Zones. This category of people shall not ordinarily be allowed to come into the State subject to MHA guidelines. However, in case they come, they shall be kept quarantine for 14 days at the dis-embarkment point itself and test shall be conducted before discharging from quarantine centre. All protocols applicable to the quarantine centres shall be followed.

III. Guidelines for migrant labour wanting to go to back to their home States from Andhra Pradesh:

The stranded labour of other States in Andhra Pradesh shall be facilitated to call **Toll free number 1902** to Register their wish to go back to their own State. They can also register through the App Covid-19 Andhra Pradesh or through website www.spandana.ap.gov.in. All such reports shall be forwarded to Tahsildar of concerned Mandal for verification. On verification and approval by Tahsildar these lists shall be consolidated State wise and District wise.

The State team after these lists are prepared State wise/ District wise shall forward to the receiving State / District for facilitating their return to the receiving State / District.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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