

Minutes of the Special State Executive Committee Meeting on CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)
held on 17TH April, 2020 at Chief Secretary Conference Hall, Dispur

The list of officers present in the meeting is given at Annexure "A"

The meeting was chaired by Shri Kumar Sanjay Krishna, Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam.

After detailed discussion the following issues were taken for consideration and necessary action:

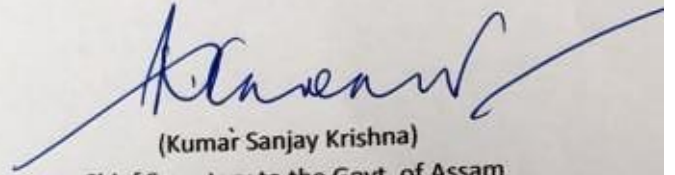
- DIPR will give wide publicity in print & electronic media regarding enforcement of restrictions on pillion riding on two wheelers and vehicles carrying more than two persons including the driver.
- The DCs / SPs are directed to scrupulously follow the National Directives issued by MHA. It was proposed that exemplary penalties / punishments should be meted out to people violating the directives.
- ADGP (L & O) informed the house that Uber has come forward with a proposal of providing free cab rides worth Rs.10.00 lakh for Govt. of Assam. As per the proposal, the services could be provided through two systems i.e either by attaching the vehicles with Police or addressing the need of elderly people for medical emergencies.

In this regard, it was decided to keep the proposal of Uber on hold till 20th April, 2020 after which a decision would be taken.

- Agriculture Department will allow regular agricultural activities like tilling, sowing, harvesting, etc. following all COVID-19 advisories w.e.f. 20th April, 2020 outside the containment zones across the State. The department was further requested to establish more cold storages across the State through lease.
- Health & Family Welfare Department to share their views on the intra-district movement of labourers and the procedure to be followed by the State Govt. for sending them back to their home towns. The department will also carry out a survey on the availability of stock of emergency medicines across the State, especially in Upper Assam districts.
- Irrigation Department to allow operation of borehole schemes for irrigation and related ancillary works for facilitating agricultural activities after 20th April, 2020 except in the containment zone.
- Addl. Chief Secretary, FCS & CA informed the house that:
 - I. Supply position of essential items like Rice, Atta, Dal, Sugar, Potato, Onions, etc. was satisfactory across the State and their prices are also under control
 - II. Lifting of rice for GPSS for the month of April has been done

- III. To ensure availability of processed food and health & Hygiene items, DCs should issue more passes to dealers / C & F agents
- SAD informed the House that the department will make arrangements for plying ASTC buses for enabling Secretariat employees to commute from their homes to office w.e.f. 21st April, 2020.
 - Chief Secretary asked the Police to accept ID cards issued to government employees by the administrative heads for attending office. He also directed SAD to keep a few vehicles in reserve to pick up and drop employees below the rank of Deputy Secretaries as and when called for.

The meeting ended with vote of thanks from the Chair.

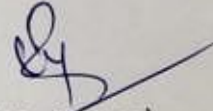


(Kumar Sanjay Krishna)
Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
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1. All concerned.



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