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## Minutes of the daily meeting of the Covid LSGD war room held online.

HODs, Covid war room members, Mission Heads and senior field officers of LSGD participated in the meeting.

Decisions taken based on the discussion on the War Room Bulletin and on the concerned issues raised are the following:

- 1. As per the CM's instructions, those nodal officers from LSGs with TPR below 20% can be withdrawn. The details of those LSGs will be given by the health department. LSGD to issue instructions.
- 2. The micro level monitoring at the LSGs is to be strengthened. These additional areas of monitoring had been discussed:
  - a. The number of hospital admissions in each LSG.
  - b. No of reinfections and breakthrough infections in each LSG

It was suggested that the help of health/epidemiological experts could be taken into the war room to examine this dimension.

- 3. Regarding the daily TPR, the situation of the Idukki district needs to be examined separately. It is noted that the districts Trivandrum and Palakkad do not have any LSG with TPR below 10% for three continuous days.
- 4. War room should compare the list of districts with TPR less than 10% and the list of LSGs with active case load less than 50. Identify those LSGs that come in both the lists. Also check which LSG fulfills one condition but not the other and vice versa. From the list given, it is noticeable that there is considerable variation between active caseload and TPR.
- 5. All the collectors have been asked to submit a rolling TPR of 7 days from now on. All the DDPs and RJDs should make sure that the TPR information obtained is a rolling TPR of 7 days.
- 6. The ACS raised a concern over the probability of attempts to reduce the TPR artificially by examining the people who are vaccinated, or not primary contacts, or who are from safe zones, avoiding the people who should be

tested as per the sentinel list, so as to avail the exemptions for reduced TPRs. This will be counterproductive in the long run, as the disease can creep up from behind and explode all over again. KILA may address this issue within the capacity building group - Identify whether the concern is valid and if so, what instructions are needed to address that tendency. Executive Director Kila and Mr. Jagajeevan should think of developing a strategy to address the attempts made intentionally to bring down the TPR by increasing the number of non sentinel and non contact tests.

- 7. Idukki DDP must ensure that the Vandanmedu Panchayat is closely watched as the drop in TPR in just a day compared to the previous days seemed to be very steep and unnatural.
- 8. DDP Kasargod should formally report on the instructions given by health (DMO) for further action.
- 9. Kudumbashree should include measures to create awareness among the public and to reduce hesitancy to take tests in their training program, in Thrissur and Thiruvananthapuram coastal areas. Kudumbashree should give a specific report on the interventions made by the CDS to strengthen the awareness activities and to overcome the hesitancy of the public in the Kadappuram Panchayat, Thrissur.
- 10. The war room should submit the list of top 5% of Panchayats in each district with high active caseload in the next meeting. The TPR of these Panchayats will be examined. The top 5% list of all the urban local bodies should be given with respect to the active caseloads. Will be reviewed in the next meeting.
- 11. District Collectors will be asked to provide a certificate to the nodal officers for their work in covid prevention and management.
- 12. The Executive Director, KILA presented the process documentation of the Covid War Room, which had taken inputs from the direct experience of the war room and other stakeholders. The report was appreciated and it was requested to submit the formal report to the Government for further action.

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