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#Covid19 Media Updates | Time 7 PM

Samples Collected: 838

Tested Negative: 714

Tested Positive: 11 (10 active)

Result Awaited: 113

- Food Quota for April, 2020 for NFAs as well as non-NFSA has already been distributed
- FCI has transported 38,000 MT of food grains to Meghalaya under PDS and PMGKAY

Meghalaya Chief Minister Conrad K. Sangma today said that elderly citizen should refrain from going out as far as possible.

“We have seen throughout the world that the virus affects the elderly more. Therefore, I would urge our elderly, our senior citizens to refrain from going out to crowded places. They should keep themselves safe because this virus is something that we have seen throughout the world affects the elderly more,” the Chief Minister said in his daily media briefing.

On body management protocol, the Chief Minister said, “We have prepared the body management protocol. It has already been circulated to the DCs for necessary intervention at their level.”

On concerns regarding labours from other States stranded in Meghalaya, the Chief Minister clarified that daily wage earners, who are stranded in the State are taken care by the State government through respective DCs.

“It is very clear that every State government in every part of the country is supposed to take care of all migrant labourers. Like followed in other States, Meghalaya government has been supporting and taking care, providing food and shelter to all migrant daily wage earners from different parts of the country stranded in our State,” the Chief Minister added.

On setting up of relief camp in mining areas of the State, the Chief Minister said, “There are some suggestions that relief camp be set up in the mining areas, where many labourers are stranded. The government is helping in the labourers in those areas, and if there are any areas which is left out, government will take necessary action.”

The Chief Minister informed that financial aid under Chief Minister's Special Grant for individuals stranded in different parts of the country is under process, wherein students and working professionals will be given lumps support of Rs. 3000 each.

He informed that a list of 1,617 people stranded in different parts of the country has already been prepared and the grant will be transferred.

On drivers involved in supplying of essential commodities in the State, the Chief Minister stated that they are being screened and tested. "We are disinfecting the trucks and the vehicles that are coming in to our States. There is delay in the transportation of products because these processes and protocols are being followed," the Chief Minister added.

He also urged parents and guardians to ensure that their children/wards do not venture out in the localities and engage in outdoor games in locality streets.