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Karnataka Government Secretariat
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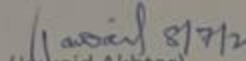
ADDENDUM

Subject: Addendum to Revised Lab Testing Protocol – Karnataka; dated 08.06.2020

- Reference:**
1. Order No: HFW 205 CGM 2020, Dated 08.06.2020
 2. Addendum to Revised Lab Testing Protocol-Karnataka; dated 09.06.2020
 3. Proceedings of the meeting of the High Powered Committee of the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka held on 3rd July 2020.

In the Addendum dated 09.06.2020, after serial no. (I) (8), the following is added.

9. All persons arrested by Police who are required to be sent to judicial custody (Prison) and to be produced before the Magistrate shall be tested for COVID-19 compulsorily and immediately.
- a. One throat swab and one nasopharyngeal swab to be collected in one VTM tube by Lab Technician donning appropriate PPE
 - b. All such arrested persons, after sample collection shall be separated from other inmates by the police till receipt of results
 - c. All samples from Bangalore City shall immediately be sent to the ICMR approved COVID testing lab at VRDL Laboratory, Victoria Hospital / Bangalore Medical College.
 - d. The labs shall test these samples on priority under Category 'A' (Urgent) and upload results on ICMR portal within 24 hours of receipt of samples.
 - e. Local police in whose custody the arrested person is, should also be informed/collect results within 24 hours of receipt of samples
 - f. In respect of other Districts, Deputy Commissioners, in consultation with Superintendents of Police would also undertake a similar exercise of sending swabs of those persons arrested at Districts / Taluka level to designated labs and on receipt of the reports, persons arrested would be sent to jurisdictional jails along with COVID-19 negative certificates for being admitted to the prison.


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6. All COVID-19 testing labs