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Advisory

(To general public on the use of Home based Covid-19 Self-test kit)

In the context of current Covid 19 situation in the State, it is observed that some of the public with flu like symptoms are going for Home based Covid 19 testing kits instead of approaching the Health Care Facilities to get tested. In such cases, the persons should note & ensure that the results of the Home based Covid 19 test (either Positive Or Negative) are uploaded on the ICMR portal, so that the State does not miss out on reporting Positive cases and also the proportion of those taking up Home based testing vis a vis testing at Health Care Facilities is known. This not only provides a hint about the case load, but also helps the Health authorities to detect the clusters, so that focused interventions are implemented in a timely manner. The procedure to upload the test results on the ICMR portal is mentioned on the outer carton box / literature leaflet available with the kit.

Necessary instructions are given to the Drug Controller to monitor the sale of Covid 19 Home based test kits at point of sale & provide regular update to the Health Department.

General Public may therefore provide the necessary details to the vendor & upload the results of Covid 19 testing results on the ICMR portal, so that Covid situation is monitored well & timely measures are put in place.

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Commissioner

Health & Family Welfare Services

To,

1. Special Commissioner - Health & IT, BBMP, Bengaluru
2. The Mission Director NHM, Bengaluru.
3. The Director , HFWS, Bengaluru
4. The Deputy Commissioners of all districts
5. CEO, ZP of all districts
6. The District Health and Family Welfare officers of all districts
7. The District Surveillance Officers of all districts

Copy submitted for kind information to,

1. The Chief Secretary, GoK
2. The Principal Secretary Health and Family Welfare Services, GoK
3. The Chief Commissioner – BBMP, Bengaluru
4. PS to Hon'ble Minister for HFW and Medical Education.

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