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Subject: Guidelines for Rational Use of Oxygen for Management of Covid-19 and safe storage, Transportation and Handling of Liquid Oxygen for Medical Use.

Reference: 1. Letter from Ministry of Home Affairs, NDMA, GOI, D.O. No. 5 95/2020/Mitigation, Dated: 23rd April 2021.
2. Letter from Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI, D.O.No.1830290/ Immunization/ 2020 Dated 25th September, 2020.

The State is experiencing second wave of COVID-19 and as there is a surge of COVID-19 positive cases, the demand for oxygen has increased multifold in both Government and private health care institutions. There is an urgent need to have **rational use of oxygen and to ensure safe Storage, Transportation and Handling of Liquid Oxygen for Medical Use** in both Government and private health care facilities. Government of India has issued guidelines & circulated vide the letters cited above reference 1 & 2.

The guidelines issued vide above reference 1 & 2, are attached for circulation. All the concerned authorities are instructed to ensure compliance of these guidelines.


(Jawaid Akhtar)

Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Health and Family Welfare Department

Copy to:

1. The Chief Commissioner, BBMP
2. The Commissioner of police, Bengaluru.

3. The Commissioner, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Bangalore.
4. The Mission Director, NHM Bangalore
5. The Special Commissioner, BBMP.
6. All the Deputy Commissioners in the State of Karnataka.
7. All the Superintendents of police in the State of Karnataka
8. The Director, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Bangalore.
9. The Director, Department of Medical Education, Bangalore.
10. All Divisional / Joint Directors, Health and Family Welfare Department.
11. The Chief Health Officer, BBMP.
12. All the District Health Officers / District Surgeons / Administrative Medical Officers and Taluk Medical Officers and Medical Superintendents of all General Hospitals in Karnataka.

Copy for Kind Information to;

1. Chief Secretary, Government of Karnataka, Vidan Soudha, Bengaluru.
2. PS to Health and Medical Education Minister, Vidhan Soudha, Bengaluru.
3. Principal Secretary Department of Medical Education, Bengaluru.



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D. O. No. 1830290/Immunization/2020
Dated the 25th September, 2020

Subject: Guidelines for rational use of Oxygen for management of COVID-19

Dear Sir / madam,

As you are aware that medical oxygen is one of the mainstays for management of "Moderate" and "Severe" COVID-19 cases. COVID-19 pandemic has led to a need of ensuring adequate supply of oxygen and also the protocols for its rational use.

Keeping above facts in mind, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has developed new 'Guidelines for rational use of Oxygen for management of COVID-19' which are enclosed.

You are requested to instruct all the concerned state and district level officials to strictly follow these Guidelines for creation of Non-ICU oxygen supported beds & ICU beds and for calculation of oxygen requirement for each and every health facilities providing COVID-19 treatment accordingly.

With warm regards,

Encl: as above

Yours sincerely

(Arti Ahuja)

To: - Additional Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary (Health) - All States/UTs

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1. Mission Director (NHM) - All States/UTs
2. State Nodal Officer, Oxygen - All States/UTs