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COMMISSIONERATE Health & Family Welfare Services

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Subject: Identification of five tertiary care facilities & five Laboratories as Sentinel sites for Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) in Karnataka : Regarding.

Reference: D O letter from Arti Ahuja, I A S, Additional Secretary, GoI, MoH & F W, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi, D O No: Z – 21020/16/2020-PH, Dated: 12th April 2021.

With reference to the above subject, three Regional Genome Sequencing Laboratories (RGSLs) i.e.,(1) NIMHANS, Bengaluru ,(2) NIV – Field Unit, Bengaluru (3) NCBS, Bengaluru, are functional in Karnataka , to carry out Genome sequencing of the samples. Further, in order to derive the meaningful information from the Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) & to facilitate the smooth flow of samples to the three functional RGSLs, five tertiary care facilities & five Laboratories are identified as shown below across the State as Sentinel sites.

List of Identified Tertiary Care Hospitals		List of Identified Laboratories	
Sl No	Name of the Tertiary Care Hospital	Sl No	Name of the Tertiary Care Hospital
1	Victoria Hospital, Bengaluru	1	NIMHANS, Bengaluru
2	Bowring & Lady Curzon Hospital, Bengaluru.	2	Mysore Medical College, Mysore
3	Wenlock Hospital, Bengaluru	3	Hassan Institute of Health Sciences, Hassan
4	Belagavi Institute of Health Sciences, Belagavi	4	Bengaluru Medical College & Research Institute , Bengaluru
5	Bidar Institute of Health Sciences, Bidar	5	Gulbarga Institute of Health Sciences, Kalaburagi

The set of guidelines formulated by MoH & FW & the sample referral form for the above identified centres as Sentinel sites is enclosed for strict compliance.


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Copy to:

1. The Dean & Directors of the concerned Medical Colleges
2. The Medical Superintendent, Victoria Hospital / Bowring & Lady Curzon Hospital, Bengaluru.
3. The Heads of the Laboratories, Identified Laboratories.
4. Head of the Department, Dept. of NeuroVirology, NIMHANS, Bengaluru.
5. Special Commissioner - Health, BBMP, Bengaluru.
6. The District Health and Family Welfare Officers, All Districts.
7. Chief Health Officer, BBMP, Bengaluru
8. The District Surgeons, All Districts
9. The District Surveillance Officers, All Districts
10. The Mission Director – NHM, Bengaluru.
11. The Director, Medical Education, Bengaluru.
12. The Director, Health & F W Services, Bengaluru.

Copy for kind information:

1. Smt. Arti Ahuja, I A S, Additional Secretary, GoI, MoH & F W, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi,
2. The Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Health & Family Welfare.
3. The Principal Secretary, Dept. of Medical Education.
4. Chief Commissioner - BBMP, Bengaluru
5. The Director, NIMHANS, Bengaluru.
6. The PS to Hon'ble Minister for Health & F W and Medical Education, GoK.
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