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Member Secretary
(District & Sessions Judge)

ROC.No.1768 /TSLSA/2021, Date:10.05.2021

Sir/Madam,

Sub: Suo Motu Writ Petition (C) No.1/2020 - in Re-Contagion
of Covid 19 Virus in Prisons - Guidelines issued for
compliance - Regarding.

Ref:- 1) NALSA Letter dated.08.05.2021.
2) Note file orders of the Hon'ble Executive Chairman,
TSLSA.

Adverting to the subject and reference cited, I am to state that as per the earlier directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Suo Motu Writ Petition (c)No.1/2020, a High Powered Committee has been constituted in the State of Telangana under the Chairmanship of the Hon'ble Executive Chairman, Telangana State Legal Services Authority and with the membership of Secretaries of some of the Government Departments. The said Committee complied the Guidelines issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court in respect of prisoners in jails throughout the State during the first wave of Covid-19 Pandemic. As requested by the High Powered Committee, the Departments concerned and the Chairpersons of District Legal Services Authorities have implemented the earlier directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, in accordance with the SOP of NALSA.

I am to further state that now, in view of the second wave of Covid-19 virus, the Hon'ble Supreme Court has given directions afresh in Writ Petition (C)No.1/2020 in respect of release of prisoners in the State. The Member Secretary, National Legal Services Authority has also addressed a letter under reference cited, to this Authority while enclosing the copy of the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court, and requested to comply the directions of the Apex Court, in letter and spirit.

The Hon'ble Executive Chairman of Telangana State Legal Services Authority, being the Chairman of High Powered Committee, has directed the Member Secretary, TSLSA, to intimate the Members of the High Powered Committee and the Chairpersons of District Legal Services Authorities to

comply the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court strictly and submit the action taken reports, from time to time.

In the above circumstances, I request you to go through the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court in Writ Petition (C)No.1/2020 in *Re-Contagion of Covid-19 Virus in Prisons*, and comply them strictly, by following the SOP of NALSA, and report the compliance from time to time to this Authority, so as to submit the same to NALSA.

Yours faithfully,


MEMBER SECRETARY

To

1. The Prl. Secretary to Government, Home Department, Government of Telangana.
2. The Director General of Prisons & Correctional Services, Telangana, Hyderabad.
3. The Secretary to Government, Law Department, Telangana Secretariat.
4. The Public Prosecutor for the State of Telangana, Hyderabad.
5. The Inspector General of Prisons, Telangana, Hyderabad.
6. All the Chairpersons, DLSAs in the State of Telangana.

ITEM NO.301

Court 1 (Video Conferencing)

SECTION PIL-W

S U P R E M E C O U R T O F I N D I A
R E C O R D O F P R O C E E D I N G S

Suo Motu Writ Petition(C) No.1/2020

IN RE : CONTAGION OF COVID 19 VIRUS IN PRISONS

Petitioner(s)

VERSUS

Respondent(s)

(MR. DUSHYANT DAVE, SR. ADV.(A.C) [NAME OF SRISHTI AGNIHOTRI (M-9811629064), ADVOCATE MAY BE SHOWN]MR. SATISH TALEKAR (M-9082577493) & MR. KANHAIYA SINGHAL(M-9212424765)

(IA No. 89470/2020 - APPLICATION FOR PERMISSION, IA No. 49580/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 51847/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 51653/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 48261/2020 - APPROPRIATE ORDERS/DIRECTIONS, IA No. 82741/2020 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION, IA No. 55273/2021 - CLARIFICATION/DIRECTION, IA No. 48049/2020 - CONDONATION OF DELAY IN FILING, IA No. 57278/2021 - EARLY HEARING APPLICATION, IA No. 57074/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 49579/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 55276/2021 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 76234/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 66569/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 89471/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 49581/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING AFFIDAVIT, IA No. 48050/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 48031/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 47522/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 47512/2020 - EXEMPTION FROM FILING O.T., IA No. 48335/2020 - INTERVENTION APPLICATION, IA No. 79197/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 57069/2021 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 49577/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 78680/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 48680/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 48263/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 46086/2020 - INTERVENTION/IMPLEADMENT, IA No. 48270/2020 - MODIFICATION, IA No. 48217/2020 - MODIFICATION OF COURT ORDER, IA No. 46091/2020 - PERMISSION TO APPEAR AND ARGUE IN PERSON, IA No. 96394/2020 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES, IA No. 60033/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES, IA No. 57853/2021 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES, IA No. 82743/2020 - PERMISSION TO FILE ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS/FACTS/ANNEXURES)

WITH

CONMT.PET.(C) No. 393/2020 in SMW(C) No. 1/2020 (PIL-W)
(FOR ADMISSION)

Date : 07-05-2021 These matters were called on for hearing today.

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UPON hearing the counsel the Court made the following
O R D E R

I.A. Nos.55273 & 55276 of 2021 in I.A. No. 48231 of 2020 in Suo
Motu Writ Petition (C) No.1 of 2020:-

1. Application of impleadment is allowed. The applicant who was already permitted to intervene in the Suo Motu Writ Petition filed the above I.A.s seeking the following reliefs:

- i. Pass an order directing the High Powered Committees as constituted vide order dated 23.3.2020 of this Hon'ble Court to examine the current situation of risk of virus spreading in prisons and recommend release of prisoners on interim bail/parole based upon the situation in the concerned State.
- ii. Pass an order directing the State Legal Service Authorities to strictly adhere to the Standard Operating Procedures of National Legal Service Authorities on the functioning of the Undertrial Review Committees as adopted vide order dated 04.12.2018 in WP(C) 406 of 2013 in Re-Inhuman Conditions in 1382 Prisons by this Hon'ble Court.
- iii. Pass an order directing the High Powered Committees/ High Courts to identify and release the vulnerable categories of prisoners on an urgent basis.
- iv. Pass an order directing the High Powered Committees / State Legal Services Authorities to periodically monitor the prison-wise occupancy rates in their respective States, and give a report of the

same to this Hon'ble Court of the prison occupancy as on 31st March, 2021, and the prospective increase in occupancy rate on a monthly basis, in the format as annexed in Annexure A9.

- v. Pass an order directing the DG Prisons to publish the prison-wise occupancy rates of UTPs/ Convicts/Detenues on their website monthly.
 - vi. Pass an order directing the High Powered Committees / monitoring teams to prioritise healthcare in prisons and scrutinise the prison-specific readiness and response plans as directed by this Hon'ble Court vide its order dated 23.03.2020 in the present case.
 - vii. Pass an order directing the State Governments/ Union Territories to undertake a vaccination drive in the prisons across their respective States/ Union Territories.
 - viii. Pass any other order or further directions as this Court may deem fit or proper in the circumstances of the case.
2. On 11.03.2020, the World Health Organisation declared Covid-19 as a pandemic. On 16.03.2020, 107 persons were tested positive for Covid-19 in our country. Anticipating the spread of Covid-19 virus in overcrowded prisons, notices were issued to all the Chief Secretaries, Administrators, Home Secretaries, Director Generals of Prisons and Departments of Social Welfare of all the States and Union Territories seeking their response regarding immediate measures to be adopted for the welfare of inmates in prisons and juveniles lodged in remand homes.
3. On 23.03.2020, this Court directed the State Governments, Union Territories to constitute High Powered Committees to

determine the class of prisoners who can be released on parole or on interim bail for appropriate periods. It was left open to the High Powered Committees to determine the category of prisoners who should be released depending upon the nature of offence, the number of years to which he/she has been sentenced, the severity of offences which he/she is charged with and the stage of trial or any other relevant factor which the Committee thinks appropriate. The High-Powered Committees were directed to take into account the directions contained in para no.11 of the judgment of this Court in *Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar*, (2014) 8 SCC 273. The High-Powered Committees were constituted in all the States, except a few. On the basis of recommendations made by the High-Powered Committees, a large number of prisoners were released either on interim bail or on parole.

4. Due to the reduction of the number of active cases, the released prisoners were directed to report back to prisons. We are informed that almost 90% of the prisoners who have been released last year have returned to prisons in February and March, 2021.
5. An unprecedented surge in Covid-19 during the last few weeks has resulted in a steep spike in the number of people who are affected by Covid-19. In the present situation there is a serious concern about the spread of Covid-19 in overcrowded prisons where there is lack of proper sanitation, hygiene and

medical facilities.

6. Mr. Colin Gonsalves, learned Senior Counsel appearing for the Applicant submitted that the High Powered Committees which have been constituted pursuant to the orders passed by this Court on 25.03.2020 should be directed to release all those prisoners who have been released last year on regular bail. Such of those inmates who have been granted parole last year should be granted 90 days parole by this Court. He requested that all orders of the High-Powered Committees shall be put on the website of the Governments. Mr. Gonsalves argued that the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) formulated by the National Legal Services Authority for release of prisoners should be taken into account by the High-Powered Committees.
7. The learned Attorney General submitted that prisons need to be decongested by release of some prisoners in view of the grim situation. He submitted that the High-Powered Committees may be permitted to adopt the procedure that was followed earlier and release the prisoners on the basis of the guidelines formulated by them last year. The learned Attorney General requested for relaxation of handcuffing of the prisoners as during the present outbreak of Covid-19 there is a great danger of spread of the virus to the police personnel who have to hold the hands of the accused while being escorted. The learned Solicitor General of India and Ms. Aishwarya Bhati, learned Additional Solicitor General also supported the

learned Attorney General. A further request was made on behalf of the Union of India that the Commissioner of Police, Delhi be made a member of the High-Powered Committee to be constituted by the Delhi Government.

8. We may notice that India has more than four lakh prison inmates. It is observed that some of the prisons in India are overburdened and are housing inmates beyond optimal capacity. In this regard, we may notice that the requirement of de-congestion is a matter concerning health and right to life of both the prison inmates and the police personnel working. Reduction of impact of Covid-19 requires this Court to effectively calibrate concerns of criminal justice system, health hazards and rights of the accused. From limiting arrests to taking care of Covid-19 Patients, there is a requirement for effective management of pandemic from within the prison walls so as to defeat this deadly virus.

9. As a first measure, this Court, being the sentinel on the qui vive of the fundamental rights, needs to strictly control and limit the authorities from arresting accused in contravention of guidelines laid down by this Court in *Arnesh Kumar v. State of Bihar* (*supra*) during pandemic. It may be relevant to quote the same:

11. Our endeavour in this judgment is to ensure that police officers do not arrest the accused unnecessarily and Magistrate do not authorise detention casually and mechanically. In order to ensure what we

have observed above, we give the following directions:

11.1. All the State Governments to instruct its police officers not to automatically arrest when a case under Section 498-A IPC is registered but to satisfy themselves about the necessity for arrest under the parameters laid down above flowing from Section 41 CrPC;

11.2. All police officers be provided with a check list containing specified sub-clauses under Section 41(1)(b)(ii);

11.3. The police officer shall forward the check list duly filled and furnish the reasons and materials which necessitated the arrest, while forwarding/producing the accused before the Magistrate for further detention;

11.4. The Magistrate while authorising detention of the accused shall peruse the report furnished by the police officer in terms aforesaid and only after recording its satisfaction, the Magistrate will authorise detention;

11.5. The decision not to arrest an accused, be forwarded to the Magistrate within two weeks from the date of the institution of the case with a copy to the Magistrate which may be extended by the Superintendent of Police of the district for the reasons to be recorded in writing;

11.6. Notice of appearance in terms of Section 41-A CrPC be served on the accused within two weeks from the date of institution of the case, which may be extended by the Superintendent of Police of the district for the reasons to be recorded in writing;

11.7. Failure to comply with the directions aforesaid shall apart from rendering the police officers concerned liable for departmental action, they shall also be liable to be punished for contempt of court to be instituted before the High Court having territorial jurisdiction.

11.8. Authorising detention without recording reasons as aforesaid by the Judicial Magistrate concerned shall be liable for departmental action by the appropriate High Court.

12. We hasten to add that the directions aforesaid shall not only apply to the cases under Section 498-A IPC or Section 4 of the Dowry Prohibition Act, the case in hand, but also such cases where offence is punishable with imprisonment for a term which may be less than seven years or which may extend to seven years, whether with or without fine.

10. Second, the rapid proliferation of the virus amongst the inmates of congested prisons is a matter of serious concern. The High-Powered Committees constituted by the State Governments/Union Territories shall consider release of prisoners by adopting the guidelines (such as *inter alia*, SOP laid down by NALSA) followed by them last year, at the earliest. Such of those States which have not constituted High

Powered Committees last year are directed to do so immediately. Commissioner of Police Delhi shall also be a member of the High-Powered Committee, Delhi.

11. Third, due to the immediate concern of the raging pandemic, this court has to address the issue of de-congestion. We find merit in the submission of Mr. Colin Gonsalves, learned Senior Counsel appearing on behalf of the applicant, that the High-Powered Committee, in addition to considering fresh release, should forthwith release all the inmates who had been released earlier pursuant to our order 23.03.2020, by imposing appropriate conditions. Such an exercise is mandated in order to save valuable time.
12. Fourth, further we direct that, those inmates who were granted parole, pursuant to our earlier orders, should be again granted a parole for a period of 90 days in order to tide over the pandemic.
13. Fifth, the fight against the pandemic is greatly benefitted by transparent administration. In this regard, our attention was drawn to example of Delhi, wherein the prison occupancy is updated in websites. Such measures are required to be considered by other States and should be adopted as good practice. Moreover, all the decisions of High-Powered Committees need to be published on respective State Legal Service Authorities/State Governments/High Courts websites in order to enable effective dissemination of information.

14. Overcrowding of prisons is a phenomenon, plaguing several countries including India. Some prisoners might not be willing to be released in view of their social background and the fear of becoming victims of the deadly virus. In such extraordinary cases, the authorities are directed to be considerate to the concerns of the inmates. The authorities are directed to ensure that proper medical facilities are provided to all prisoners who are imprisoned. The spread of Covid-19 virus should be controlled in the prisons by regular testing being done of the prisoners but also the jail staff and immediate treatment should be made available to the inmates and the staff. It is necessary to maintain levels of daily hygiene and sanitation required to be improved. Suitable precautions shall be taken to prevent the transmission of the deadly virus amongst the inmates of prisons. Appropriate steps shall be taken for transportation of the released inmates of the prisons, if necessary, in view of the curfews and lockdown in some States.

(VISHAL ANAND)
ASTT. REGISTRAR-cum-PS

(PRADEEP KUMAR)
BRANCH OFFICER

TELANGANA STATE PRISONS DEPARTMENT

DAILY LOCK UP REPORT IN TELANGANA PRISONS AS ON 11-05-2021

Sl.No	Name of the Prison	Authorized Accommodation										Convicts										Remand										Detenues				Civil Debtors		Male Grand Total	Female Grand Total	Grand Total					
		Ordinary			High Security		High Risk		High Profile		Foreigners		Others		Male Total		Female Total		Total		Ordinary		High Security		High Risk		High Profile		Foreigners		Others		Male Total		Female Total		Total				Male		Female		
		Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male				Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
1	CP HYDERABAD	1150	0	1150	238	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	245	0	245	0	245	729	0	0	0	4	0	14	0	30	0	0	777	0	777	95	0	0	0	1117	0	1117			
2	CP CHERLAPALLY	1980	0	1980	550	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	5	0	558	0	558	0	558	1367	0	0	0	0	9	0	3	0	0	1379	0	1379	132	0	0	0	2069	0	2069				
3	CP WARANGAL	886	80	966	574	39	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	575	39	614	236	18	4	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	241	19	260	71	2	0	0	887	60	947					
4	PAC CHERLAPALLY	150	0	150	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	0	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	0	86						
5	SPW HYDERABAD	0	250	250	0	81	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	81	81	0	113	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	118	118	0	9	0	0	0	208	208				
6	DJ ADILABAD	295	36	331	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17	0	17	190	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	190	9	199	0	0	0	207	9	216						
7	DJ NIZAMABAD	412	48	460	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	95	0	95	168	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	168	12	180	0	0	0	263	12	275						
8	DJ KARIMNAGAR	309	40	349	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	31	224	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	224	19	243	0	0	0	255	19	274						
9	DJ KHAMMAM	303	37	340	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	31	0	31	224	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	224	19	243	0	0	0	255	19	274						
10	DJ NALGONDA	210	7	217	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	0	36	206	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	206	36	242	0	0	0	242	36	278						
11	DJ MAHABUBNAGAR	131	16	147	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	22	182	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	182	18	200	0	0	0	204	18	222						
12	DJ SANGAREDDY	347	40	387	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	43	0	43	332	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	332	19	351	0	0	0	375	19	394						
13	SSJ ASIFABAD	59	7	66	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	18	0	0	0	21	0	21						
14	SSJ NIRMAL	30	8	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	14	0	14						
15	SSJ JAGITYAL	40	14	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	16	0	0	0	16	0	16						
16	SSJ BHADRACHALAM	55	15	70	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	4	40	0	0	0	36	4	40						
17	SJ LUXETIPET	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	12	0	0	0	12	0	12						
18	SJ KAMAREDDY	10	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	14	0	0	0	14	0	14						
19	SJ HUZURABAD	43	0	43	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	0	3						
20	SJ JANGAON	30	10	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	11	0	11						
21	SJ PARKAL	30	10	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0	0	0	7	0	7						
22	SJ MAHABUBABAD	90	10	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	1	12	0	0	0	11	1	12						
23	SJ MADHIRA	20	4	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	10						
24	SJ SATHUPALLY	35	5	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18	0	18	0	0	0	18	0	18						
25	SJ YELANDU	20	5	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	0	8						
26	SJ BHONGIRI	25	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	25	0	25	0	0	0	25	0	25						
27	SJ DEVARAKONDA	27	0	27	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	4	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	14	0	14						
28	SJ MIRYALAGUDA	40	10	50	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	0	15	0	0	0	22	0	22						
29	SJ SURYAPET	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	19	0	0	0	19	0	19						
30	SJ HUZURNAGAR	96	8	104	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	1	16	0	0	0	15	1	16						
31	SJ NAGARKURNOOL	90	0	90	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0	9	0	0	0	16	0	16						
32	SJ KALWAKURTHY	17	0	17	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	16	0	16						
33	SJ MEDAK	27	0	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	10	0	0	0	10	0	10						
34	SJ ANDHOLE/JOGIPET	30	7	37	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2						
35	SJ SIDDIPEET	22	3	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	0	8						
36	SJ PARIGI	52	5	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	0	62	0	0	0	62	0	62						
37	BS SCHOOL	93	0	93	0	0	0	0	0	0																																			

Government of Telangana
Prisons Department

From:
Rajiv Trivedi, IPS.,
Director General of Prisons
and Correctional Services,
Jail Bhavan, Malakpet,
Telangana, Hyderabad.

To:
The Hon'ble Member Secretary,
Telangana State Legal Services Authority,
High Court of Telangana, High Court
Buildings, HYDERABAD.

Lr. No.RC3/296/2020, Dated: 12-05-2021.

Sir,

Sub: Prisons Department — Suo Moto Writ Petition (C) No.1 of 2020 –
In Re-Contagion of Covid-19 virus in Prisons – Guidelines issued by
the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India – Submission of compliance
report - Regarding.

Ref: Hon'ble Member Secretary Lr.No.ROC No.1768/TLSA/2021,
dt:10.05.2021

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It is to inform with reference to the subject matter cited, wherein the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India have issued certain guidelines to the Prison authorities to prevent the spread of Re-contagion Covid-19 virus in Prisons. In this regard, it is to inform that the following preventive measures have been taken for the last one year to prevent the spread of said virus in the Prisons.

- (1) All the inmates and staff were supplied sufficient face masks and sanitizers, hand wash soap liquid etc., to utilize as per Standard Operating Procedure (S.O.P). Further pedally operated sanitizer dispensers were also installed in each enclosure.
- (2) Every newly admitted prisoner is being provided with Masks and sanitizer at main-gate of Prison itself and facilitated the bathing with hot water etc.,
- (3) All the Beddings, Blankets and other belongings are being washed with hot water and bleaching powder.
- (4) All the vulnerable /open corridors/ Toilets are being sprayed with phenyl and bleaching powder on hourly basis. Further, the sodium hypochloride is also sprayed in and around prison premises once in a week.
- (5) All the inmates are being educated about the impact of Corona virus and its management (SOP).
- (6) Task Force Teams were established in the prison under the supervision of Deputy Jailors to ensure the individual hygiene and cleanliness in and around Barracks.
- (7) The old age / ailing inmates were kept under the special monitoring of Medical Officers inside Prison Hospital.
- (8) The suspected/asymptomatic inmates are being put in appropriate isolation barrack in the Jail Hospital itself and monitored by the Medical Officers.

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- (9) All the Medical Officers & para Medical Staff of Prison Hospitals are provided with Personal Protective Equipment(PPEs).
- (10) All the newly admitted inmates are being screened with Digital infrared Thermometer and lodged in separate Barracks/Cells for (14) days until the Medical Officer clears them to be shifted for general barracks.
- (11) Appropriate Quarantine arrangements are devised for asymptomatic/mild symptoms inmates.
- (12) Vaccination drive is under progress in all Prisons, all eligible inmates are being provided vaccination on priority basis. (A statement showing the data on the vaccination is enclosed herewith).
- (13) Facilitating Telephone Calls/Video Conferencing to the inmates to interact with their family members.
- (14) To de-congest the Prisons, a liberal policy of grant of paroles has been under practice to the eligible convicts for the last one year. However, there is no overcrowding in any of the Prisons of Telangana. A statement of present capacity of Prisons and actual strength is submitted for kind perusal.

2. Under the above circumstances, I am to inform that the guidelines of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No.1/2020 are strictly being implemented in our Prisons under proper and timely monitoring. Hence, no much adverse impact of Covid-19 virus in the Prisons of Telangana State is noticed due to various above preventive measures (Photographs of some preventive measures taken up in prisons are also enclosed herewith).

Yours faithfully,

Encl: (As above)

Sd/- Rajive Trivedi,
Director General of Prisons
and Correctional Services

Copy submitted to the Principal Secretary to Government, Home (Ser.III) Dept,
Secretariat, Hyderabad for favour of information.

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INSPECTOR GENERAL OF PRISONS

COVID-19
MOST-IMMEDIATE
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GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
HOME (SER.III) DEPARTMENT

Memo.No.5357/Ser.III/A1/2021-1

Dated.11.05.2021

Sub:- Home Department - Supreme Court of India - Orders dated.07.05.2021 in Suo Motu Writ Petition (C) No.1/2020 - Follow up action on the orders - Instructions - Regarding.

Ref:- 1. From the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India Judgement dated.07.05.2021 in Suo Motu Writ Petition (c) No.1/2020.
2. From the Member Secretary, TSLASA, Hyderabad, Lr.No.1768/TSLSA/2021, dated.10.05.2021.

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A copy of the references cited are sent herewith to the Director General of Police, Telangana / Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, Telangana, Hyderabad and they are requested to take further necessary action on the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Suo Motu Writ Petition (c) No.1/2020 immediately and furnish detailed report in the matter to Government for taking further necessary action in the matter.

2. This may be treated as "Most-Urgent".

RAVI GUPTA
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To,
The Director General of Police, Telangana, Hyderabad (WE).
The Director General of Prisons and Correctional Services, Hyderabad (WE)
Copy to:
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SECTION OFFICER



