



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department - Collaborative Investigation plan for West Nile Fever Outbreak in Kerala between ICMR-NIV Pune, the SHSRC, Kerala and the State/District Health Authorities - approved - orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.1778/2024/H&FWD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 26-07-2024

Read :- Letter No. 501(01)/24/I-476 dated 09.07.2024 from the Director, ICMR-NIV, Pune.

ORDER

In the context of reporting West Nile Fever (WNF) cases from Kerala, as per the letter read above, the Director, ICMR - NIV, Pune, has submitted a detailed investigation plan as a collaborative effort between ICMR-NIV, the State Health Systems Resource Centre, Kerala and the State/District Health Authorities. It is stated therein that the findings of the investigation would generate information regarding the extent of disease spread, at-risk people and possible ways to prevent the disease to plan for prevention and control of this emerging serious disease.

(2) Government have examined the matter in detail and pleased to accord sanction to ICMR-NIV Pune, for conducting the collaborative investigation for West Nile Fever Outbreak in Kerala with the SHSRC, Kerala and the State/District Health Authorities, by observing all regulatory guidelines, subject to the following conditions;

- a. The investigation shall be done in four districts viz- Ernakulam, Kozhikode, Malappuram, and Thrissur.
- b. All the field work, logistics, laboratory testing and miscellaneous expenses shall be borne by ICMR.
- c. State Health Systems Resource Centre, Kerala shall render support for the overall coordination of the field activities in Kerala. The Director of Health Services shall make necessary arrangements to support the filed investigation.
- d. The Director of Health Services shall have equal ownership of the data and evidence.
- e. The findings of the investigation shall be shared with the State

Government.

(By order of the Governor)
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JOINT SECRETARY

To:

The Director, ICMR - NIV, Department of Health Research, MoHFW, 20-A, Dr. Ambedkar Road, Pune - 411 001.

The State Mission Director - National Health Mission, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Executive Director, State Health Systems Resource Centre, Kerala.

The District Medical Officer, Ernakulam/ Kozhikode/ Malappuram/Thrissur.

Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit) Kerala.

Information & Public Relations (Web & New Media) Department.

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