Government of Maharashtra Department of Revenue & Forest, Disaster Management Relief & Rehabilitation, Mantralaya, Mumbai – 400032 No. DMU/2020/CR.92/DisM-1 Dated. 30th April 2020

Ref: . The Epidemic Disease Act, 1897

2. The Disaster Management Act, 2005

3. Govt notification, Revenue & Forest, Disaster Management, Relief & Rehabilitation Dept., Dtd 25.03.2020 and 15.04.2020

ORDER

Whereas, in exercise of the power conferred under Disaster Management Act, 2005, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, State Executive Committee and Section 2, 3 & 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act 1897 has issued several previous orders;

And whereas in view of increasing number of Covid 19 +ve patients that Government, Municipal & Private hospitals are either refusing or delaying treatment / admission of the patients causing delay in treatment and holding ambulances for long time;

I Ajoy Mehta, Chief Secretary of Government of Maharashtra, in exercise of said power conferred upon me hereby direct under Rule 10 (7) that Deans of General Hospitals, Chief Medical Superintendents, Medical Superintendents of peripheral hospitals, Hospital In-Charge of private hospitals to adhere to the following directives scrupulously, failing which action under the Acts referred to above will be initiated:

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- The mobilization of the ambulances within Mumbai limit should be controlled centrally by the Disaster Management Department of MCGM.
- 2. Any patient entering into hospital premises for any treatment of Covid or non Covid ailment should be immediately checked into casualty or screening clinic and after triage patient may be shifted or admitted. Depending upon the site condition the staging area may be created for screening and triage of the patient in isolation so that infections are not transmitted. No patient is to be turned away without examination and required intervention under any circumstances.
- 3. The Directors of the Health Services should prepare the Standard Operating Procedure for screening, transferring, admitting and discharging of patient. Each patient requiring hospital admission will be assigned an Unique ID by the round-the-clock onsite team of the Disaster Manage Department (DMD) of MCGM without which admission cannot be granted. DMD should use this more accurate and efficient bed management in all hospitals.
- 4. In order to decongest hospitals, all asymptomatic positive patients without comorbidity should be shifted to appropriate Covid Care Centers (CCC) immediately and Covid and non Covid hospitals should ensure that no admissions are granted to asymptomatic positive patients without comorbidity. Similar patients in private hospitals should be stamped and sent away for home quarantine after proper counselling according to the government of India guidelines.
- 5. Hospitals should collect swabs of all the suspected Covid patients admitted on top priority and ensure that reports are collected within 12 hours and should ensure that patients are triaged as per

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- the clinical conditions and shifted to CCC, Dedicated Covid Health Centre (DCHC) or Dedicated Covid Hospitals (DCH) Hospitals.
- 6. In case of death of Covid +ve patient the hospital administration should ensure that the dead body is shifted from ward within 30 minutes of death and should dispose bodies within 12 hours for which necessary processes be defined keeping in view the prevalent regulations.

This order shall come into force from 10 am of 2nd May 2020.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF MAHARASHTRA.

(AJOYMEHTA)
CHIEF SECRETARY
GOVERNMENT OF
MAHARASHTRA