From,

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To,

Shri Paresh Tripathi Chief Standing Counsel High Court of Uttarakhand Nainital

Dehradun

14 May, 2020

Sub.: Writ Petition (PIL) No. 62 of 2020 Preetam Singh Panwar v/s Union of India and others.

Dear. Sir,

With reference to the above mentioned Writ Petition and your letter dated 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2020 the following points may kindly be brought to the knowledge of the Hon'ble High Court:

- 1. Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2020 of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India allows for the stranded persons including migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and others.
- 2. In accordance with the above order the State Government is undertaking online registration of stranded persons who wish to come to Uttarakhand.
- 3. Persons of all categories are being registered in this process and the State Government is contacting the state governments where these persons are located. Despite limited public transport availability the State Government is trying to make arrangements for the travel of these persons.
- 4. Those wishing to travel by their own vehicles are also being allowed.
- 5. Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2020 Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India allows for the travel of stranded persons through special trains to be operated by the Ministry of Railways.
- 6. It is on the request of the State Government that several special trains are being operated from different parts of the country to Dehradun / Haridwar / Kathgodam to bring back stranded persons to Uttarakhand.

7. The cost of travel of the stranded persons is bring borne by the State Government.

8. The State Government has prepared Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for bringing back stranded persons of Uttarakhand and compliance of the same is being ensured.

- 9. In the first phase 740 laborers staying in Relief Camps in Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh were brought to Uttarakhand together with 411 students from Kota and 75 from Allahabad.
- 10. Apart from the above 4,677 persons have reached Uttarakhand by train, 16,526 by the buses of State Transport and 40,975 by their own vehicles till 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2020.
- 11. More than 63,000 stranded persons have so far reached Uttarakhand.

The State Government is thus arranging for the travel of all category of persons and copies of the above orders and SOPs are annexed.

Annexures: as above

Yours sincerely,

(Amit Singh Negi)

Secretary

### No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A) Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs

North Block, New Delhi-110001 Dated 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2020

### ORDER

In continuation of Ministry of Home Affairs's Orders No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 15<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 19<sup>th</sup> April, 2020, 21<sup>st</sup> April, 2020, 24th April, 2020 and 29th April, 2020, and in exercise of the powers, conferred under Section 10(2)(I) of the Disaster Management Act, the undersigned, in his capacity as Chairperson, National Executive Committee, hereby orders to include the following in the consolidated revised guidelines for strict implementation by Ministries /Departments of Government of India, State/Union Territory Governments and State / Union Territory Authorities:

# Sub-clause (v) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons by trains:

Movement of migrant workers pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons, stranded at different places, is also allowed by special trains to be operated by Ministry of Railways (MoR). MoR will designate nodal officer(s) for coordinating with State/ UTs for their movement. MoR will issue detailed guidelines for sale of tickets; and for social distancing and other safety measures to be observed at train stations, train platforms and within the trains.

The rest of the conditions stipulated for Movement of persons vide Sub-clause (iv) [a,b,c,e,f] will continue to apply to such movement.

## To: (As per list attached)

- The Secretaries of Ministries /Departments of Government of India 1. 2.
- The Chief Secretaries/Administrators of States/Union Territories Copy to:
- i) All members of the National Executive Committee.
- Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority. ii)

#### No.40-3/2020-DM-I (A) Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs

North Block, New Delhi-110001 Dated 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2020

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### Sub-clause (iv) under Clause 17 on Movement of persons:

- iv. Due to lockdown, migrant workers, pilgrims, tourists, students and other persons are stranded at different places. They would be allowed to move as under:
  - a. All States/ UTs should designate nodal authorities and develop standard protocols for receiving and sending such stranded persons. The nodal authorities shall also register? the stranded persons within their States/ UTs.
  - b. In case a group of stranded persons wish to move between one State/ UT and another State/ UT, the sending and receiving States may consult each other and mutually agree to the movement by road.
  - c. The moving person (s) would be screened and those found asymptomatic would be allowed to proceed.
  - d. Buses shall be used for transport of groups of persons. The buses will be sanitized and shall follow safe social distancing norms in seating.
  - e. The States/ UTs falling on the transit route will allow the passage of such persons to the receiving State/ UT.
  - f. On arrival at their destination, such person(s) would be assessed by the local health authorities, and kept in home quarantine, unless the assessment requires keeping the person(s) in institutional quarantine. They would be kept under watch with periodic health check-ups. For this

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purpose, such persons may be encouraged to use *Aarogya Setu* app through which their health status can be monitored and tracked.

The guidelines of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (MoHFW) on Home Quarantine, dated 11.03.2020 may be referred to in this regard, which are available at (https://www.mohfw.qov.in/pdf/Guidelinesforhomequarantine.

pdf)

Home Secretary

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