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Subject: - Standard Operating Procedures, (SOPs) for movement of trucks/ tankers carrying essential commodities from UT of J&K to Ladakh.

ORDER

With a view to replenish essential supplies in Ladakh, Trucks/Tankers carrying essential commodities will be allowed to cross through Zojila pass w.e.f **29th March, 2020**. The following protocol will be followed during the transition of the vehicles into Ladakh:-

- i. Only one driver and a helper will be allowed with each of the loaded trucks / tankers. Any Driver or staff found showing symptoms of COVID-19 will be turned around with or without his vehicle from Meena-Marg COVID-19 Check post.
- ii. Medical camp with screening facilities will be established at Meena-Marg by the District Administration Kargil for screening of each Driver and supporting staff thoroughly. Besides, the registration of Drivers and Helpers indicating their permanent address, contact number, origin and destination shall be recorded by the Incharge, Police Post Meena-Marg.
- iii. The Trucks carrying food and vegetables items for Kargil District will be escorted in double escort system from Meena-Marg, to be organized by the IGP, Ladakh and will terminate at **Khri Sultan Cho Stadium Bemathang distribution depot** where the trucks will be offloaded. The Trucks carrying food grains of FCI will terminate at FCI Central Godown, Kargil. The escorts will be on guard and the vehicles not be allowed to stop any where en-route to Kargil.
- iv. The Assistant Labour Commissioner, Kargil will provide required labour force for offloading the trucks at Khri Sultan Cho Stadium Bemathang, out of the registered labour force available. The empty trucks after offloading will park at, **Bemathang Kargil** under Police guard.
- v. Vehicles coming to Leh will be **allowed to move in a convoy** and will be escorted under a double escort system to be organized by the IGP, Ladakh. The convoy will not stop anywhere other than at the **designated camps** en-route to Leh. The camps will have facilities of public convenience and light refreshment only.
- vi. These designated camps will be established by the respective District Administrations at Meena-Marg, Wakha and Likir.
- vii. On entry of the convoy in Leh town, they may break-up and move towards different locations in smaller convoys. IGP, Ladakh will facilitate separate Police escorts for these smaller convoys which will stay with the vehicles till their departure from Leh.

- viii. On arrival at Leh, the trucks carrying food items will terminate at Choglamsar **distribution depot** where the trucks will be offloaded. The trucks carrying vegetables will also be offloaded at Choglamsar. The Trucks and Tankers carrying food grains of FCI and POL will terminate at FCI Central Godown, Leh and IOCL/HPCL Depots respectively.
- ix. The Police escorts will ensure strictly that the drivers and helpers will not interact with the local inhabitants both in Kargil and Leh, including labourers at any point including the point of offloading.
- x. The Assistant Labour Commissioner, Leh will provide required labour force for offloading the trucks at Choglamsar, out of the registered labour force available. The empty trucks after offloading will park at **Bomb Guard, Leh** under Police guard.
- xi. The same protocol will be followed at the time of departure of the trucks/tankers from Kargil and Leh and the empty trucks will depart in a convoy escorted by the Police.
- xii. The Police escorts will see off the convoy at zero point at the Zojila pass.
- xiii. The Ganderbal District Administration shall ensure the smooth passage of all vehicles at Sonamarg keeping this SOP in consideration.

By order of the Divisional Commissioner, Ladakh.

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27/03/2020

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Under Secretary with,
Divisional Commissioner,
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