



**Government of Odisha**  
**Office of Special Relief Commissioner**  
**No.2349/R&DM(DM)**      **Date: 04.05.2021**  
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From

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Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

To

All Collectors  
All Municipal Commissioners,  
All Executive Officers, Municipalities/ NACs

Sub: ***Provision of food for Sick, indigent, destitute persons in rural & urban areas during lock-down period.***

Sir,

You are aware that lock-down has been imposed vide order No. 2328/R&DM (DM) dt. 01.05.2021 in the state to prevent spread of COVID-19. During lockdown, many sick, indigent, destitute persons in rural & urban areas may not be able to get their food. Hence, in order to avoid any starvation, the Government has decided to provide cooked food to all such persons through free kitchen or otherwise (packed food/ dry food etc.) twice a day with effect from 05<sup>th</sup> May 2021 till 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2021. In case it is not possible to provide two hot cooked meals, at least one hot cooked meal & one meal in terms of dry food may be provided. An expenditure of Rs.40 per meal per person and Rs. 24 per meal per child may be spent out of SDRF.

You are, therefore, requested to take immediate action to identify all sick, indigent, destitute persons and other people who have nobody to fall back upon & have no access to food in rural areas (GP-wise) & urban areas (ward wise) and provide food as mentioned above.

The food should be cooked at some place(s) preferably through SHGs maintaining due hygiene and delivered to such persons. Prescribed norms of social distancing shall be strictly observed while preparing/ distributing the food. Taking food at one place by all beneficiaries is not allowed.

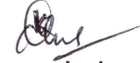
The provision of food as mentioned above will start from 05<sup>th</sup> May 2021 without fail. Funds for this purpose will be placed in due course through Panchayati Raj & DW Department for rural areas and through Housing & Urban Development Department for urban areas. Pending receipt of funds, you are authorised to incur expenditure from available funds.

Yours faithfully,

Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

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Copy forwarded to the Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister/ Private Secretary to Hon'ble Minister, Revenue & DM for kind information of the Hon'ble Chief Minister/ Hon'ble Minister, Revenue & DM / OSD to Chief Secretary/ Development Commissioner/ Agriculture Production Commissioner for information.



Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

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Copy forwarded to the Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/ Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government, Health &FW Department/ Home Department/ Labour & ESI Department/ Finance Department/ SSEPD Department/ ST&SC Dev Department/ Information and Public Relations Department/ All RDCs for kind information and necessary action.



Special Relief Commissioner &  
Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.  
(Disaster Management)

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Copy forwarded to the Principal Secretary to Government, PR&DW Department/ Housing & UD Department for information and necessary action. They are requested to prepare the requirement of funds for the above purpose and place requisition with SRC office for placement of funds with the Department.



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