

Government of Odisha Office of Special Relief Commissioner

No. 2488 /R&DM (DM)

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From

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To

All Collectors/ All Municipal Commissioners

Sub: Strict Restriction on boarding and de-boarding of Passengers en-route by Buses transporting people (coming from other States) from Railway Station to destination.

Sir,

As per the present arrangements made by the Government, the districts are requisitioning buses and sending those to the designated Railway Stations with one Nodal Officer for transporting people of their district (coming from other States) from the Railway Station to the identified Temporary Medical Camps/ Quarantine Centres in their respective districts for Quarantine for a period of 14 days. In spite of previous instructions, recently some cases have been detected where such buses have de-boarded some passengers en-route putting the administration into great difficulty in tracing them and safely transferring to their respective destinations. The Government has taken a serious view of this matter.

In order to avoid any such incidence in future, you are directed to take following steps: -

- 1. While requisitioning the buses for the purpose, an order will be issued and handed to the owner/ driver clearly directing that the bus will carry the people identified by the Nodal Officer directly from the Designated Railway Station to the Destination and shall not in any case board or de-board any person en-route. In case of violation of the same, strict action will be taken against the driver and any other person in charge of the bus including seizure of the Driving Licence, Bus and criminal action against them. Besides, the driver, helper and any other person in charge of the bus shall be properly briefed about this.
- 2. It will be the personal responsibility of the Nodal Officer deputed to facilitate reception and transport of persons of their districts from the Designated Railway Station to the identified Temporary Medical Camps/ Quarantine Centres in their respective districts to ensure that no passenger of any other district/ destination board the said bus from Railway Station and the bus does not board or de-board any person en-route. Failure of this will attract strict disciplinary action.

Keeping in view that that several more Special Trains are likely to arrive from different other states soon, this matter may be taken very seriously and necessary action taken so as to avoid any lapse in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

Special Relief Commissioner & Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.
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Copy forwarded to the Transport Commissioner, Odisha/ Police Commissioner, Cuttack-Bhubaneswar/ All Superintendents of Police for information and necessary action.

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Copy forwarded to the Private Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister/ Chief Secretary/ Development Commissioner/ Agriculture Production Commissioner for kind information.

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