

Government of Odisha Office of Special Relief Commissioner

No. 2501 /R&DM(DM)

Date: 06.05.2020

From

Pradeep Jena, IAS Special Relief Commissioner & Additional Chief Secretary to Govt. Disaster Management

To

All Collectors/ All Municipal Commissioners

Sub: Provision of Food for Migrant Labourers kept in Relief Camps due to Lockdown in the wake of COVID-19

Sir,

Due to lockdown in the wake of COVID-19, several thousand labourers have been kept in Relief Camps by the Government and provision of food has been made for them with an expenditure up to Rs.60 per adult per day and Rs.45 per child per day. It has come to the notice that two meals are being provided to them with this limit of expenditure which is not sufficient. Since these people in the camps are in difficulty due to suspension of work on account of lockdown, it is our duty to see that adequate support in terms of food is provided to them to obviate any distress.

It may be mentioned that the Government, vide its letter No.2332/R&DM(DM) dated 27.04.2020, has directed to provide food 4 times a day (Breakfast, Lunch, Evening Tea & Snacks and Dinner) to the people in the Temporary Medical Camps (TMCs) at a cost of Rs.120 per adult per day and Rs.100 per child a day.

Therefore, it has been decided to make similar provision of food for the migrant labourers kept in Relief Camps by the State Government, which may be implemented with effect from tomorrow (07-05-2020) positively. This will apply only to Relief Camps organised by the Government for the migrant labourers who have no employment and source of food due to the lockdown.

Yours faithfully,

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

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kind information.

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