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## PRESS RELEASE

**Bhubaneswar 12/11/2020,**

- Hon'ble Chief Minister Sri Naveen Patnaik chaired over the State Cabinet meeting today. The Cabinet has taken 18 major decisions placed by different Departments. Chief Secretary Sri Asit Tripathy and other Sr officials briefed the media about the decisions. Some of the decisions are given below:
- As per the decision of the Cabinet, an EGoM under the Chairmanship of Minister, Finance and Excise has been constituted to take the stock of the emerging situation, take all necessary decisions for prevention and containment of COVID-19 and approve all emergent procurement after due examination of the necessities, urgency and justification of such procurement. The decisions taken by the EGoM on 02.09.2020 and other decisions taken by Health and Family Welfare Department for containment and prevention of COVID-19 has been approved by Cabinet.
  - The repromulgation of the Second Ordinance in the name of Agricultural Produce and Livestock Marketing (Promotion and Facilitation) to give an immediate benefit to the farmers was approved.
  - Cabinet approved a proposal for providing Government guarantee of Rs. 2600 Crore for the loans to be availed by GRIDCO during Financial Year, 2020-21.
  - The Food and Procurement Policy for Kharif Marketing Season 2020-21 to regulate all aspects of paddy and rice procurement was approved. It has been targeted to procure around 71 LMT paddy from the registered farmers. More WSHGs shall be engaged in paddy procurement operations.
  - The proposal to alienate Government land and acquired/purchased land for 'Heritage Security Corridor around Shri Jagannath Temple' in favour of Shri Jagannath Temple Managing Committee on free of premium and other charges and to correct the ROR in the name of Lord Shri Jagannath, Bije Puri, Marfat Shri Jagannath Temple Managing Committee is approved.
  - Proposals for framing of Odisha Nursing Service (Methods of requirement and conditions of Service) amendment Rules-2020 has been approved. Besides,

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proposals for amendment of Cadre Rule and Service Conditions of Pharmacists and Radiographers have been approved.

- Hon'ble Chief Minister said that to ensure healthy diet for kids, pregnant and nursing women, and adolescent girls, State Government to introduce fish, fish-based products in supplementary nutrition programme. An MoU in this regard was signed between State Government and World Fish Center, he added.
- Dr. Sanghamitra Pati, Director, Regional Medical Research Centre, Bhubaneswar and Smt. Ananya Das, Commissioner, Cuttack Municipal Corporation today gave detail information on Sero Survey undertaken in Cuttack. Keeping in view the winter season, people are advised to wear mask, frequently wash their hands and to maintain social distance. In case of any symptom, people are advised to go for testing with consultation of the Doctor.
- From 11<sup>th</sup> November to 12<sup>th</sup> November morning, 2 case have been registered, 26 people arrested, 603 vehicles seized and fine of Rs. 19,08,900/- has been collected by the Odisha Police in the state for violation of different regulations and guidelines related to COVID-19.

### **Health Update**

- Up to midnight of 11<sup>th</sup> November, 51,22,938 samples have been tested.
- Number of Positive Cases stands 3,05,986.
- 2,92,477 persons have already recovered/ discharged.
- No. of Death case 1483.
- No of active cases are 11,973.
- 11,973 persons are in Hospital isolation.

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