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PRESS NOTE



Shri Rajendra Singh, Hon'ble Member, National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) visited Andaman & Nicobar Islands today and reviewed the preparedness of the UT Administration to contain the spread of Novel Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) in A & N Islands. During his stay in the Islands he visited isolation ward created by the UT Administration at GB Pant Hospital for infected persons. Thereafter, he visited A & N Command hospital, INHS Dhanvantri where he taken brief of entire process of detection, isolation, quarantine of Corona Virus infected persons. He also visited the isolation wards with 10 bedded created by the Command hospital.

He also visited the ICMR-RMRC, Dollygunj, Port Blair laboratory set up by the Ministry to testing samples of suspected persons. Dr. P Vijayachari, Director, RMRC briefed him the entire process of samples testing of COVID-19.

On arrival at Airport he also reviewed screening arrangements made by the Administration at Airport. It is pertinent to mention that UT Administration of A & N Islands is screening all the passengers at Veer Savarkar International Airport, Port Blair to detect the infected persons at entry level itself.

In evening the Health Department briefed him in detail the measures taken by the Administration to contain spread of COVID-19 in A & N Islands. The briefing was also attended by Chief Secretary,

Principal Secretary (Health), PCCF, DGP, Principal Secretary (DM & RR), Director, ICMR-RMRC, Chief Staff Officer (Medical), INHS Dhanvantri along with other senior officers of the Administration.

Shri Rajendra Singh, Hon'ble Member, NDMA appreciated the measures taken by the Administration to prevent spread of COVID-19 in the Islands. He also mentioned that Govt. of India has allowed funds from NDMA which can be utilized to purchase various preventive/testing equipments for COVID-19.
