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Subject - Exemption from Home Quarantine for candidates attending SSB interview in Bangalore, starting from July 31st, 2020.

Reference - Email requests from Candidates (Requesting waiver from Government of Karnataka State.

- 1. The SSB interviews are planned to be held in Bengaluru from 31st July onwards. Candidates from all over the country attend the week long SSB interview. As per the current policy of the Govt, any inter-state traveller has to be at Home Quarantine for a period of 14 days. Hence, the SSB candidates have sought clarification if they need to come 14 days before to the date of interview and also quarantine themselves for 14 days at their cost.
- 2. This issue has been examined by the Home-Quarantine team (NHWC-Neighbourhood Home-Quarantine Watch and Care). As such, the candidates coming for SSB will be treated as 'business travellers' and hence are automatically exempted from the 14 days Home Quarantine rule. In addition to that, as per the requirement of SSB, they also are coming with a Covid negative certificate. They also are camped inside the campus where SSB is conducted.
- 3. In this background, it is clarified that there is no need for 14 days 'Home quarantine' and as such the candidate are advised to report at the BRCs (Border Receiving Centres), at the Airport /Railway station/Bus terminus, as special business travellers coming for SSB by producing the SSB call letter. Upon that, they will be allowed to proceed to the SSB campus with a 'Quarantine stamp' plus initial of 'SSB'.

- 4. The list of those candidates who have reported to the SSB campus will be collected daily and tallied with the list of candidates reported at the BRCs. If there is any discrepancy, it will be reported to the SSB. Also, necessary action will be taken against such candidates as per law in addition to them being shifted to an Institutional Quarantine facility at their cost and liability.
- 5. This is issued under the powers vested in me under the directions that flow from the order no: RD 158 TNR 2020, issued by the Chief Secretary of Govt of Karnataka, and the Chairman of the State Executive Committee, KSDMA.

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Copy to:

- 1) The PS to the MD, BMRCL and the Chairman, Covid Surveillance Committee, GoK.
- 2) The Chairman, SSB, Bengaluru, with a request to send the list of SSB candidates who report to SSB to the HQ control room at 977777684.
- 3) The MD, KPCL, in-charge for Railway ISTs with a request to pass the information on SSB candidates to HQ control at 977777684.
- 4) The MD, BMTC, BRC in-charge, KIAL, Air ISTs with same request.
- 5) The MD, KSRTC, BRC in-charge, Road ISTs with same request.
- 6) The Director, AHVS and Executive in charge for NHWC (Home Quarantine), who will collect he information from the SSB the list of candidates reported at SSB and take further action on the non-tallying candidates.
- 7) HQ control room in charge.
- 8) Office files, AHVSF.
- 9) PS to Secretary, AHVSF.