No.CD-14040/02/2020-Coord Government of India Ministry of Road Transport & Highways (Coordination Section)

Transport Bhawan, 1, Sansad Marg, New Delhi-110001

Dated 16 March, 2020

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Public Health response to Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak

The undersigned is directed to refer to spread of Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) cases in several countries. The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has been coordinating the efforts of the Central Government in order to mitigate the impact of the outbreak in India. In this regards following course of action / directions have been given in a Video Conference meeting, chaired by Secretary (Coordination), Cabinet Secretariat on 09.03.2020:

- (i) Bio-metric attendance to be dispensed with;
- (ii) Video Conferencing to be preferred;
- (iii) Video Conferencing with corona affected countries;
- (iv) Avoid large conferences and meetings;
- (v) To extend support to State Governments / local organizations.
- 2. Further, following specific tasks have been entrusted with MoRTH:
 - (i) Ensure sanitation of seats, handles and bars of all public transport vehicles;
 - (ii) Display of public messages on transport vehicles.

3. All concerned are requested to take immediate action in this regard.

(Anil Sharma)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

To

- 1. DG (RD) & SS
- 2. Chairman, NHAI
- 3. MD, NHIDCL
- 4. Director, IAHE
- 5. Secretary General, IRC
- 6. All JS / CE's

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