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**Government of Tripura
Directorate of Food Civil Supplies & CA**

the 29th May, 2020.

MEMORANDUM

As per guidelines of the Govt. of India, distribution of ration commodities has been continuing in the State through on-line biometric authentication, except 30 (thirty) notified off-line F.P. Shops. After introduction of lockdown in the country during late March 2020, various schemes have been introduced by the Central / State Government for free of cost distribution of food-grains / pulses, with a view to provide economic relief to the people during the crisis period. Accordingly, the issue of accurate targeting of beneficiaries has become more relevant in the recent times and therefore the Govt. of India has not given any relaxation in biometric authentication through Aadhaar in respect to drawl of ration commodities.

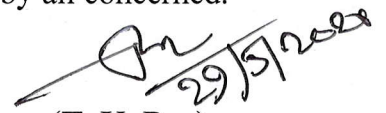
2. With a view to revival of economic activities in a staggered manner, recently the Govt. of India has allowed movement of migrants / stranded persons in consultation with the State Governments mainly through rail & road transport. Accordingly, a large numbers of stranded people are coming to the State day-after-day, those who may need to be under 14 days home quarantine as per protocol of COVID 19. Naturally, it will not be possible for those persons to visit F.P. Shops for drawl of ration. The State Government has reviewed the matter recently and instructed the Department to set a convenient procedure for drawl of ration commodities by the people under home quarantine, without visiting the F.P. Shops.

3. In view of the above, the Department has revised the Standard Operating Procedure (SoP) for lifting of ration by the people under home quarantine from F.P. Shops, which will be as follows:

- a) SDMs are allowed to engage the Area Inspector (Food) as the 'Nominee' for the identified ration cardholders staying under **Home Quarantine**. Required changes in the AePDS application may be made by using existing facility at Sub-Division level. In case of any complicity, the cases may be referred to the Directorate for provisioning of Nominee through Admin Log-in. This Nominee facility may be continued for a particular month and is to be discontinued during next month, if not otherwise felt necessary to extend by the SDMs.
- b) The Area Inspector (Food) shall ascertain the actual requirements of ration of the identified families and validate the sales transactions through his biometrics. F.P. Shop Dealer shall ensure delivery of ration commodities at doorstep level of the concerned ration cardholder on a suitable date in presence of the Area Inspector. The Dealer shall handover the ePOS machine generated cash memo to the ration cardholders and collect the actual cost only, at the time of delivery of ration commodities.

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- c) SDMs may allow transportation charges of doorstep delivery to the F.P. Shop Dealer as deemed reasonable and the amount will be reimbursed by the Department on submission of claim.
 - d) In case of notified F.P. Shops, F.P. Shop Dealers shall ensure doorstep delivery in presence of Area Inspector by maintaining separate sales registers, only if it is ordered by the SDMs.
 - e) F.P. Shop wise separate accounts should be maintained against all such sales transactions, both at SDM Office and FPS level.
4. This has been issued for information, guidance & compliance by all concerned.


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Addl. Secretary to the
Government of Tripura.

To
All Sub-Divisional Magistrates of the State.

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- 1. PS to the Hon'ble Minister, Food CS&CA, Govt. of Tripura.
- 2. PS to the Principal Secretary, Food CS&CA, Govt. of Tripura.
- 3. All District Magistrate & Collector of the State.


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