

# **ABSTRACT**

Public Health – A(H1N1) / Influenza – Testing of samples by RT-PCR – Approval of Private Laboratory – Dr.Rela Institute and Medical Center, Chrompet, Chennai – Orders – Issued.

# **HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (P1) DEPARTMENT**

G.O.(D) No.856

Dated: 22.09.2020 Thiruvalluvar Aandu-2051 Sarvari, Purattasi - 06

#### Read:

- 1. G.O.(Rt) No.1404, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 15.08.2009.
- 2. G.O.(Rt) No.1161, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 21.09.2010.
- 3. From the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, letter No.32489/Epi/S2/2020, dated 13.05.2020.

### ORDER:

In the G.O. first and second read above, the Government have approved private diagnostic laboratory to carry out testing of samples for influenza A(H1N1) in Tamil Nadu.

- 2. The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine in his letter third read above, has stated that as per the request of Dr.Rela Institute and Medical Center, Chrompet, Chennai a inspection team visited and ascertained the facilities available in the Laboratory to test Influenza A(H1N1) by RT-PCR. The inspection team therefore recommended for testing Influenza A(H1N1) by RT-PCR method.
- 3. After detailed examination, the Government have decided to accept the proposal of Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine and grant permission to Dr.Rela Institute and Medical Center, Chrompet, Chennai to carryout testing of samples of Influenza A(H1N1) in Tamil Nadu by RT-PCR method, as per the recommendations and Guidelines of WHO, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Government of India subject to the following conditions:
  - i) The approved private laboratory should use only the World Health Organization recommended protocols for the confirmation of A(H1N1) by RT-PCR method.
  - ii) They should send the daily report to the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai 600 006 by email (<a href="mailto:dphepi@nic.in">dphepi@nic.in</a> and <a href="mailto:tnssu.idsp@gmail.com">tnssu.idsp@gmail.com</a>) without fail.
  - iii) Assistance of any kind will not be provided by the Government for doing the testing.
  - iv) Confidentiality has to be maintained on the results except informing the concerned patient.

v) The approved laboratory should collect only a sum of Rs.3,750/- (Rupees three thousand seven hundred fifty only) (Lab fee Rs.3000/- + Processing fee Rs.750/-) per sample / person tested as its charges for the Diagnostic service and any deviation should lead to cancellation of permission issued to the laboratory by the Government.

# (BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

# J.RADHAKRISHNAN, PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To:

The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai – 600 006.

The Director of Medical Education, Chennai – 600 010.

The Director of Medical and Rural Health Services, Chennai – 600 006.

The Director of Medical and Rural Health Services (ESI), (i/c) Chennai – 600 006.

The Director of Family Welfare (i/c), Chennai – 600 006.

The Mission Director,

State Health Society, Chennai - 600 006.

The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Indian Medicine and

Homoeopathy, Chennai - 600 106.

The Managing Director,

Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society, Chennai – 600 008.

The Managing Director,

Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation Limited, Chennai - 600 008.

Dr. Rela Institute and Medical Center, Chrompet, Chennai - 600 044.

Copy to:

The Special Personal Assistant to Minister for Health, Chennai – 600 009. The Health and Family Welfare (Data Cell) Department, Chennai – 600 009. Stock File / Spare Copy

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