



RELIEF REHABILITATION & SETTLEMENT DEPARTMENT

No. SO (Estt:) RR&SD/3-5/2019 Dated Peshawar the 3rd February, 2020

WHEREAS, the Health Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa has declared a state of Health Emergency under sub-Section (1) of Section 6 of the Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Public Health (Surveillance and Response) Act, 2017 for measures against the anticipated outbreak of Novel Corona Virus (2019-nCoV) vide its notification dated 03.02.2020 based on, among other reasons, the emergency declared by the Secretary Federal Ministry of National Health Services vide his order dated 31.01.2020;

AND WHEREAS, the virus originating from Wuhan China since 31.12.2019 has affected 18 countries with 4581 confirmed cases and 106 deaths as shown by the data in International Reports, WHO bulletins on official website as well as NIH reports;

AND WHEREAS, the virus transmits rapidly due to human interaction and contact;

AND WHEREAS, China is in proximity with Pakistan, and human travel from China to Pakistan has taken place, including such travel by passengers coming to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa with potential risk of cross border transmission of the virus;

AND WHEREAS, measures need to be set in place for the preparedness, prevention, control and response of the spread of the disease throughout the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa due to its high rate of spread and non-availability of treatment at the moment leading to significant casualties;

NOW THEREFORE, in exercise of powers conferred under section 16(A)(1) of National Disaster Management (Khyber Pakhtunkhwa), Act [as amended from time to time], I as, Secretary Relief, Rehabilitation and Settlement Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa, hereby declare an emergency throughout the province of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa for 30 days effective from 03.02.2020 to enable the Health Department Khyber Pakhtunkhwa and its subordinate bodies, offices and institutions to take necessary measures for preparedness, prevention, control and response of 2019-nCoV as deemed fit.

Secretary Relief, Rehabilitation and Settlement Department

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- 1. Principal Secretary to Chief Minister, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 2. Secretary Health Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa.
- 3. Director General Provincial Disaster Management Authority
- 4. Director General Health Department, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa
- 5. Principal Staff Officer to Chief Secretary, Khyber Pakhtunkhwa

Section Officer (Estt:)