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# Guidelines for Effective Control of COVID-19

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## Test



Ensure tests being conducted are uniformly distributed across all districts, with adequate testing to be done in districts reporting a higher number of cases



The proportion of RT-PCR tests in the total mix to be scaled up, on a best effort basis, to 70% or more



States & UTs, where the proportion of RT-PCR tests is less, to rapidly increase testing to reach the prescribed level



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## Track (1/3)



New positive cases to be isolated & their contacts to be traced at the earliest, and to be isolated/quarantined



The prescribed containment measures to be implemented in Containment Zones



Containment Zones to be carefully demarcated by the district authorities, at the micro level, taking into consideration the guidelines prescribed by Health Ministry



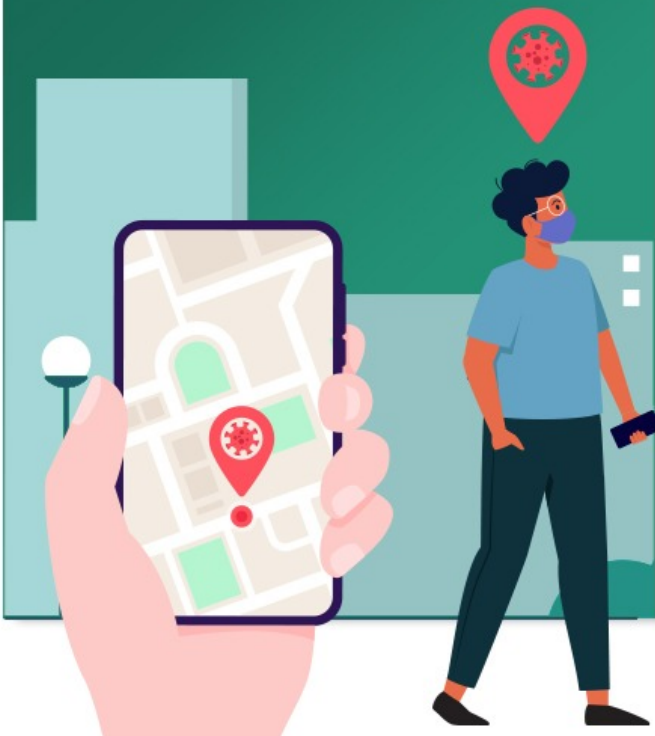
List of Containment Zones to be notified on the websites by respective District Collectors & by States/UTs, to be shared with Health Ministry on a regular basis



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## Track (2/3)



Within the demarcated Containment Zones, containment measures, to be strictly followed as under:

- Only essential activities to be allowed in Containment Zones
- No movement of people in or out of these zones, except for medical emergencies & for essential goods & services
- Intensive house-to-house surveillance by surveillance teams
- Testing to be carried out as per prescribed protocol
- Listing of contacts of persons found positive, along with their tracking, identification, quarantine & follow up of contacts for 14 days
- 80% of contacts to be traced in 72 hours



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## Track (3/3)

- Surveillance for ILI SARI\* cases to be carried out in health facilities or outreach mobile units or through fever clinics in buffer zones

- Local district, Police & Municipal Authorities to ensure prescribed Containment measures are being strictly followed

\*Influenza-Like Illness (ILI) Severe Acute Respiratory Infections ( SARI)





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## Treat



Quick isolation of COVID-19 patients to be ensured in treatment facilities / home



Clinical interventions, as prescribed, to be administered



The concerned agencies (Central and State/UTs) to ensure adequate availability of COVID dedicated health & logistics based on their assessment of the case trajectory



Effective infection, prevention & control practices to be followed in treatment facilities and by healthcare workers & professionals





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## Vaccination



The National Expert Group on Vaccine Administration for COVID-19 (NEGVAC) provides guidance on prioritization of population groups, procurement & inventory management, and vaccine selection, delivery and tracking



All State/UTs to rapidly step up the pace of vaccination, to cover all priority groups, as recommended by NEGVAC & approved by the Central Govt, urgently and in an expeditious manner