School Advisory

- Schools are advised to avoid any large gathering of students during the course of the day in the school.

- Any student/staff with travel history to any COVID-19 affected country or in contact with such persons in last 28 days, should be monitored and home quarantined for 14 days.

- Class teachers should be alert to any child with signs and symptoms i.e. fever, cough and difficulty in breathing, and should immediately inform the parents to have the child tested.

- Ask parents not to send child back to school till advised so by the treating doctor.

- Teachers, school staff and students should also be advised about simple public health measures of hand and respiratory hygiene. **Hand hygiene:** Wash hands frequently and thoroughly with soap & water or use alcohol based hand sanitizer, even when hands are visibly clean.

- **Respiratory hygiene:**
  1. Everyone should cover their mouth with a tissue/handkerchief (or their sleeve if there are no tissues available) when they cough or sneeze and wash their hands afterwards.
  2. Do not touch your eyes, nose and mouth.
  3. Everyone should throw away used tissues in a bin and wash their hands after contact with coughing/sneezing.

- **Frequently touched surfaces** - door knobs, switches, desk tops, hand railings etc. should be disinfected.

- Provide alcohol based hand cleaners/sanitizers in frequented spots of the school.

- Ensure availability of soap and water in rest rooms at all times.

- **Foot operated pedal bins lined with plastic bag** should be provided in each classroom & rest room.

- In hostels, health status of students as well as the other ancillary staff, should be monitored on regular basis. In case there are suspected cases, the authorized local medical authority should be called for examination.

- Anybody with signs & symptoms (cough, fever or difficulty in breathing) should call State/UT helpline number or Ministry of Health & Family Welfare’s 24X7 helpline at 011-23978046 or visit public health facility with a mask or mouth covered.

For further information

Call at Ministry of Health, Govt. of India’s 24X7 control room number +91-11-2397 8046

Email at ncov2019@gmail.com