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Dear Chief Conetery

Kindly refer to the discussions during the Video Conference on 22nd and my letters dated 22nd and 23rd March 2020 on the measures to be taken to contain the spread of COVID-19. You will appreciate that at this stage the highest priority needs to be accorded to establishing medical facilities such as hospitals, clinical labs, isolation wards and expanding & upgrading existing facilities to combat the challenge posed by COVID-19. These facilities need to be well equipped with ventilators, PPE, masks and drugs to treat the patients. There is also a need to create adequate isolation facilities to prevent further infections. The medical, paramedical and sanitation staff needs to be trained to attend to the affected persons.

In this regard, I would request that the fiscal resources of the State/UTs are deployed on priority to the steps to manage and contain COVID-19.

with regards

Yours sincerely,

(Rajiv Gauba)

Administrators/ Chief Secretaries