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Notice Inviting Proposal(s) from ICMR approved Labs for undertaking RT-PCR Testing, alongwith Reporting as per ICMR Testing Protocols of Samples from J&K for COVID-19

In view of heavy in-flow of returnees to J&K, including students, labourers, etc., and in reference to the Standard Operating Procure (SOP) for regulating the movement of migrant workers, stranded students and others, as approved by the Competent Authority, proposal(s) are hereby invited from ICMR approved labs for undertaking RT-PCR testing, and reporting, of samples from J&K for COVID-19, in time-bound manner, strictly on following terms & conditions:

- a) Concerned Medical/ Para-Medical Staff at the designated COVID-19 facility(ies) shall collect the samples and pack the same, duly labelled, in transport container(s) having requisite temperature as per the protocol;
- b) Empanelled Lab(s) shall have to arrange for transportation of samples from the concerned Health Institutions/ other Collection Centres to its respective Testing Site(s) at own cost and risk;
- c) Samples, and patient details, will be provided by the State (Divisional) Surveillance Officer(s), Jammu/ Kashmir;
- d) Empanelled Lab(s) should take all precautions required for handling and transportation of samples collected and make sure that the samples should reach to Testing Site within 10-14 hours from collecting the samples;
- e) Empanelled Lab(s) is required to provide a tool to register/ track the samples;
- f) Designated carrier of the Empanelled Lab(s) will collect packed samples from the concerned Location(s), or any other location specified by the State (Divisional) Surveillance Officer(s), Jammu/ Kashmir, and issue receipt of the same before transporting the same to the Testing Site;
- g) Empanelled Lab(s) shall ensure testing and reporting of samples strictly as per ICMR protocol;
- h) Reporting TAT would be between 24 to 36 Hours post receipt of samples at Testing Site and reports will be shared with the respective State (Divisional) Surveillance Officer(s), Jammu/ Kashmir. In view of sensitivity of the matter

- and exigency of reports, no payment shall be made for the samples reported after TAT;
- i) Empanelled Lab(s) will have to share test results with Govt. of J&K/ other Competent Authority(ies)/ State (Divisional) Surveillance Officer(s), Jammu/ Kashmir, on daily basis, through e-Mail(s);
- j) Empanelled Lab(s) will assign District-wise coordinators for smooth coordination with concerned Chief Medical Officer(s), Epidemiologists, Microbiologists and IDSP;
- k) In case the Health & Medical Education Deptt., J&K augment the in-house testing capabilities, job assigned to Empanelled Lab(s) may be suspended. If the need arises, Health & Medical Education Deptt./ NHM, J&K may consider to reduce/increase the total tests to be assigned to Empanelled Lab(s). In such case, rates and other terms & conditions shall be re-negotiated and all such modifications shall be agreed in writing;
- 1) Empanelled Lab(s) will submit weekly Invoice(s) to respective State (Divisional) Surveillance Officer(s), Jammu/ Kashmir, who will forward the bills, alongwith verified reports of all the samples reported within TAT, to the State Health Society, NHM, J&K for release of payment in favour of the Lab, on weekly basis;
- m) Cost of the proposed testing services will be met out from the funds provided under "COVID-19 Emergency Response and Health System Strengthening Preparedness Package";
- n) In order to ensure time bound reporting of all the samples, all such proposal(s) which are within the price range of 15% from the L-1, be accorded an opportunity to match rate(s) with L-1, and in case any such proposer(s) is willing to match its rate(s) with L-1, suitable opportunity will be provided to such proposer(s).
- o) NMH, J&K reserves the right to split the total samples among the empanelled ICMR approved laboratories for undertaking testing and reporting. While sending/ allocating the samples, preference may be given to a lab with large capacity that can be allocated for J&K; and
- p) By submitting the proposal(s), concerned Labs agrees that NHM, J&K is not assuring any Minimum Order Quantity (MOQ) and may discontinue the services, if required as per the circumstances, without assigning any reasons therefor. Such discontinuation, if required, shall not hamper release of any pending payments towards tests already reported by the concerned Lab(s).

- q) Current engagement shall remain valid till 30th June 2020, unless terminated earlier. If required, NHM, J&K may consider to extend the validity of the engagement beyond 30th June 2020. Further, depending on the market conditions, and in the broader interest of public healthcare, NHM J&K may request for downward revision of rate(s) per test. All such changes shall be effective only after mutually agreed in writing.
- r) NHM, J&K reserves the right to cancel the notice without giving any reasons thereof and not bound to accept the proposals received.

Detailed Proposal(s), with following format, shall reach to the undersigned on e-mail ID: mdnhmjk@gmail.com from three (3) days from the date of this notice:

S. No.	Particulars	Response from Proposer
1.	Name of ICMR Approved Lab	
2.	Authorised representative & Name, Email and Phone No	
3.	Address	
4.	ICMR Approved ID/ Reference No., if any	
5.	Address of Lab where Testing and Reporting will be made with respect to Samples from J&K	
6.	Total Daily Testing Capacity of the Lab for COVID-19	
7.	Daily capacity engaged for testing of COVID-19 work orders from other States/ UTs	
8.	Daily capacity offered to be reserved for testing of COVID-19 samples from J&K	
9.	Plans to enhance testing capacity. If yes, details thereof	
10.	Rates offered, inclusive of transportation cost, taxes/ other charges, for testing & reporting of samples from J&K – Rate per sample tested & reported	

Proposal shall be submitted on the letter-head of ICMR approved laboratory and proposal shall be duly signed by the authorised representative(s) of the lab. Proposal shall be password protected. On the date of proposal opening, Proposal Evaluation Committee will write an email to the authorised signatory of the laboratory, who have submitted the proposal, for sharing of password of the proposal. Accordingly, proposals shall be opened by the Committee and rates quoted by the agencies will be documented and results shall be published on the website www.jknhm.com.

Sd/-Mission Director National Health Mission, J&K

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