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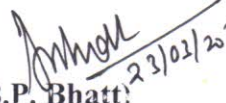
OFFICE ORDER

Sub.: Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID-19

In view of strong possibility of a widespread outbreak of **Novel Corona Virus (COVID-19)** in the states of **Bihar and Jharkhand**, --- and pursuant to the latest **ICAR-endorsed DoPT O.M. No. 11013/9/2014-Estt.(A.III) dated 22.03.2020** on the aforementioned subject, read with the **Notification dated 22.03.2020 issued by the Government of Bihar to order Lockdown in all districts of Bihar during the period of March 23 to 31, 2020 and similar Notification dated 22.03.2020 issued by the Government of Jharkhand to order Lockdown in all districts of Jharkhand during the same period**, --- the **following decisions are made**, in supersession of earlier Office Order of even number dated March 20/21, 2020 :-

1. During the aforesaid **Lockdown-period of March 23 to 31, 2020**, the **ICAR-RCER, Patna**, the **Research Centres at Ranchi and Darbhanga**, the **KVKs at Buxar and Ramgarh** and the **ICAR-MGIFRI, Motihari** will **all remain closed**, whereas only the **Staff (including all Officers/employees, consultants and contractual or outsourced personnel, as per need) required to render essential services would be asked to attend office**. In other words, the **Institute would function with skeletal staff**.
2. The respective **Centre/Divisional/Unit/KVK Heads/Officers-in-charge** are hereby delegated the necessary authority to draw an **emergency-duty-roster of staff** required to **perform such essential duties in turns** and thereby call for them to duty on the particular day by making necessary vehicular arrangements for their pick-up/drop at residences, **for which, however, no honorarium would be paid to such emergency-duty staff**.

Accordingly, all the employees are hereby required to **remain prepared to be called for emergency duties in exigencies**, for which they would be informed, either **electronically through telephone/mobile, email/WhatsApp, or through messenger/Institute vehicle**, as the case may be.


(B.P. Bhatt)
Director

Distribution:-

1. All the Heads/Officers-in-charge/PCs at ICAR-RCER, Patna, its RCs at Ranch/Darbhanga and KVKs at Buxar & Ramgarh;
2. All the employees (through e-mail/ICAR-RCER Notice Boards/website);
3. Under Secretary (GAC), ICAR, Krishi Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001; &
4. ICAR-RCER Notice Boards/Website.