

**GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM  
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT  
DISPUR :: GUWAHATI-6**

No.HLB 111/2020/327

Dated Dispur, the 24<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

**ORDER**

Whereas, the Government of Assam has taken a series of steps to support the people during the COVID-19 pandemic;

Whereas, the State Government extended financial assistance to persons who were stranded outside the State and could not return back to Assam;

Whereas, the Health & Family Welfare Department is fully committed to provide the maximum possible medical care and facilities to all people who have been affected by COVID and has ensured that all citizens have access to testing and treatment facilities absolutely free of cost;

Whereas, among many things, the State Government has taken note of the difficulties that a household in quarantine faces and has therefore provided essential items worth Rs 2000/- each to more than 1.12 Lakhs families across the state so far;

Whereas, with the evolving situation and with new findings about the COVID-19 disease, the Health & Family Welfare Department has decided to reduce the number of days of period of home quarantine from 14 days to 7 days;

Whereas, the State Government needs to optimally utilize the resources at its disposal for core activities of testing and treatment of COVID;

Now, therefore, in partial modification of earlier orders, the Government in Health & Family Welfare Department has decided, that the essential items worth Rs 2000/- for quarantined families will henceforth be provided to only to families of the Below Poverty Line Category. However, Deputy Commissioners are authorized to extend this benefit to other families too like elderly, ailing, divyang etc., if deemed, necessary to mitigate hardship.

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