

Proceedings of the 11th Meeting of State Executive Committee (SEC) constituted under the Disaster Management Act 2005 held on 9th April, 2020 at 10:30 AM under the Chairmanship of Sh. Anil Kumar Khachi, Chief Secretary -cum- Chairman (SEC) in H.P. Secretariat, Shimla.

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2. Pr. Secretary (Revenue) to the Govt. of H.P. welcomed the Chairman, and Members of the SEC. He apprised the Committee of the current status of COVID-19 pandemic in the State and actions being taken by the Disaster Management Cell, Department of Revenue to effectively implement the lockdown measures and ensure the supply of essential commodities. Committee was informed that the Emergency Operation Centres (EOCs) set up at State and District Headquarters have been working round the clock. These Centres have been collecting information and providing assistance to the stranded and needy persons. It was informed that the Disaster Management Cell, Department of Revenue has provided funds to different departments and districts dealing with the pandemic under SDRF. But there is need to create a dedicated fund under State Disaster Management Authority (SDMA) so that individuals, groups and public and private organizations can make donations in this fund. The funds so collected can be utilized to fight the pandemic and provide relief to the needy persons. It was added that it is the responsibility of Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA) & State Executive Committee (SEC) under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 to take necessary actions in disasters and threatening disaster situations. It is therefore proposed that we may consider to hold a meeting of SEC and SDMA to discuss the matter and take a view on this.

3. The matter was discussed in detail and it was decided that there is need of having such funds under the Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA) as disaster response and relief is the domain of the HPSDMA

and SEC. The HP COVID-19 Solidarity Response Fund created by the General Administrative Department of HP Government may be got transferred to HPSDMA and renamed as Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority COVID-19 State Disaster Response Fund (for short HPSDMA COVID-19 State Disaster Response Fund) and administered by Disaster Management Cell, Deptt. of Revenue on behalf of HPSDMA. Necessary notification to this effect and framing of Byelaws of the Fund may be identified accordingly. Necessary applications for obtaining PAN Card and seeking exemption of Income Tax Department may be obtained. It was decided that the matter may be placed before the HPSDMA for approval.

4. The SEC also accorded approval to the draft regulations of the proposed Fund as per Annexure – B.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks.

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Anil Kumar Khachi
Chief Secretary
Government of Himachal Pradesh
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Chairman State Executive Committee

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5. Pr. PS -cum- Spl. Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, to the Govt. of H.P.
6. The Sr. Private Secretary to Chief Secretary, H.P.
7. The Deputy Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, to the Govt. of H.P.
8. All DAs in Disaster Management Cell, Deptt. of Revenue, H.P.

(Onkar Chand Sharma)
Principal Secretary (Revenue)