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Government of India
Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways
(Ports Wing)

Transport Bhawan
New Delhi, dated 7th May, 2021

To,

The Chairmen and Chair Person of all Major Port Trust,
The CMD, KPL

Sub : Preventive measures to contain the spread of COVID 19

Sir/Madam

As you are aware, our nation is currently going through a challenging time due to the surge in CORONA-virus infections with greater intensity all across the country. The Hon'ble Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways during the review meeting on 04.05.2021 had highlighted the need to formulate a responsive action plan to help in reducing the disproportionate burden on the local authorities and medical institutions in fighting this pandemic.

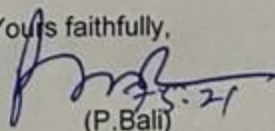
2. To deal with the present crisis, there is an emergent need to strengthen the health infrastructure within the Port. Each Port is therefore requested to arrange for the following:

- i. Vaccination of all their employees, their kith and kin
- ii. Vaccination centre for seafarers and expenditure to be borne by the respective Shipping Lines.
- iii. Keep adequate stock of life saving drugs and injections (Remdesivir, etc) at the port hospitals.
- iv. Improved ICU care facilities, and make ventilators and oxygen available.
- v. Enforcing medical protocol and preventive precautions such as social distancing, mask and sanitisation, at work place to keep employees and customers safe.

3. In this regard, IPA and Major Ports to co-ordinate the drive. It's important to maintain strict safety measures and ensure that the medical protocols are followed. In case of any intervention, if required, in the matter, the same may be intimated to the Ministry immediately.

4. This issues with the approval of Secretary (PSW).

Yours faithfully,



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