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All Zonal Railways**

Sub: Cleaning and sanitisation of Coach when Corona infected / suspected passenger travels

Some cases of Corona infected / suspected passengers travelling in trains are being detected at terminals and also enroute. Following directions are issued to prevent spreading of COVID-19 if Corona infected / suspected person travel in the coaches.

A. Action to be taken at next enroute attention station :

1. Detrain the passengers and empty the coach for disinfection/sanitisation. The procedure specified for interior cleaning of the coaches in primary maintenance should be followed. In addition, entrance hand rails, doors and door handles should also be thoroughly cleaned. This should be followed by disinfection with Sodium Hypochlorite (1%) including disinfection of contact areas / fittings such as door handles, toilet door handle and latch, toilet health faucets, water taps, hand rails, switches etc.
2. The toilets should be cleaned with soap solution using long handle angular brush and followed by disinfection with Sodium Hypochlorite (1%).
3. Seats with rexine covers should be cleaned with Sodium Hypochlorite (1%) after soap cleaning.
4. Suitable enroute examination points should be equipped for these activities.
5. In case of AC sleeper coach, co-passengers in same cabin should be provided fresh linen and their used linen should be kept in a packet separately.

At terminating station take action as stated at B below.

B. Action to be taken at Terminating station :

1. Intensive cleaning of the interior of the coach as in 'A' schedule should be done. In addition, entrance hand rails, doors and door handles should also be thoroughly cleaned. This should be followed by disinfection with Sodium Hypochlorite (1%) including disinfection of contact areas / fittings such as door handles, toilet door handle and latch, toilet health faucets, water taps, hand rails, switches etc.
2. AC filters to be cleaned thoroughly. The entire linen should be kept isolated for 24 hours and washed separately.
3. Onboard staff who came in contact with suspect passenger should be quarantined and kept under observation as advised by Medical authority.
4. In case intensive cleaning facility is not available, the coach should be detached, locked and sent to nearest facility after cleaning of entrance hand rails, doors and door handles.

- C.** Further, any other instructions issued by PCMD of railways and local state/civil authorities should also be followed.


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