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Dear

This is with reference to the recent decision taken by Government of India to allow vaccination of all Indians above the age of 18 years w.e.f 1st May, 2021 to contain the resurgence of the Coronavirus pandemic in the country.

- After the outbreak of the Coronavirus pandemic in March, 2020 and the resultant lockdown, power sector personnel in generation, transmission, distribution had put their best foot forward in ensuring that the power continues to flow in the national grid, and homes remain lit up and that all emergency services continue un-interrupted.
- In the current wave of coronavirus, which appears to be infecting larger sections of the population, the challenges seem to be of a different nature, and emanate largely from the downside risks of the Utility personnel getting infected by the Coronavirus. Needless to mention, uninterrupted power supply is essential from the point of view of ensuring seamless public health service delivery. Also, during the current times, most of the citizen centric services are being availed online. Therefore, it is imperative that the Power sector personnel, many of whom have to work in close proximity with each other and have public interfaces, remain protected from the infection, so that all three wings of power supply, namely generation, transmission and distribution are able to collectively provide 24x7 uninterrupted power supply.
- Since the Government has now allowed vaccination of all individuals above the age of 18 years, I would like to request you to kindly arrange and facilitate special vaccination drive on first priority across all Utility personnel working in generation, transmission, and Distribution Sectors. whether on the rolls of DISCOMs or contractual, both in public and private sectors, as well as in various crucial centers/offices such as Central and Regional Load Dispatch Centers, the Control Rooms and other institutions which contribute to the uninterrupted power supply, on priority basis. This could include mass vaccination camps of all power utility personnel, to be organized and coordinated by Utilities in liaison with your Health Department, which may be directed accordingly.
- I would be grateful, if you could kindly direct the State Health machinery in your State to extend all possible support and cooperation in carrying out mass vaccination camps at appropriate locations to cover all power sector personnel on first priority in your state as this would go a long way in keeping the morale of the Power sector personnel besides protecting them from infection and in enabling them to provide their services continuously for ensuring 24X7 un-interrupted power supply.

Yours Sincerely Sd/-(Alok Kumar)

Chief Secretary of all States/UTs All Administrators of UTs All Advisers to the Administrators of UTs

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2) Shri Ajay Bhalla, Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affaris, New Delhi.

3) Shri Rajesh Bhushan, Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bḥawan, New Delhi.

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