

## **Central Adoption Resource Authority** केन्द्रीय दत्तकं-ग्रहण संसाधन प्राधिकरण

(A Statutory Body of Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India) (भारत सरकार के महिला एवं बाल विकास मंत्रालय की सांविधिक निकाय)

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## OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Precautionary Measures to be adopted by Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs) in the light of Covid-19 Pandemic - reg.

This is in reference to the Order No. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 01/05/2020 from Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India on guidelines to be followed to contain the spread of COVID-19 in all parts of the country.

- 2. The State Adoption Resource Agencies (SARAs) are hereby advised to strictly follow the instructions and guidelines issued by Central Government and their respective State Government from time to time and the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in Suo Moto WP (Civil) No of 2020 in the matter of COVID-19 Virus in children protection homes particularly in Specialised Adoption Agencies, on the preventive measures to be taken to curtail the spread of Novel Corona Virus in Specialized Adoption Agencies (SAAs). Some of the important aspect to be ensured are enumerated underneath:
  - i. Provision of thermal scanning, hand wash and sanitizer, preferably with touch free mechanism at all entry and exit points and common areas;
  - ii. Frequent sanitization of entire complex, common facilities and all point which come into human contact e.g. door handles, etc.:
- iii. Children below 10 years of age shall stay inside, except for essential purposes like those related to health issues;
- iv. Large gathering or physical meetings to be avoided;
- Intensive communication and training on good hygiene practices for children ٧. may be taken up:
- vi. Hospitals/clinics in the nearby areas, which are authorized to treat COVID-19 patients should be identified and list should be available at all times.
- SARAs should ensure that all preventive steps are followed by the SAAs in their States/UTs and PAPs/Visitors may not be allowed to visit Specialized Adoption Agencies till the referrals are resumed by CARA.
- Further SARA should give an update that proper care facilities of the children are in place in all the SAAs in their respective States at the earliest.

5. This issues with approval of competent authority.

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