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Dear Community Members,

It is truly heartwarming to see how all of us have come together as a family, as a community and as a country to fight the Coronavirus. So far we have taken steps to avoid infection and prevent the spread of the virus.

The number of cases are growing exponentially each day. Our very own Parsi General Hospital has been locked down and a confirmed case was found in CJ Colony a few days ago.

But now we have to add a few more steps in our lives.

While we all are well-versed in taking care of ourselves, we need to know what to do in the event we or our family member suspects that he or she is possibly caught the infection.

**Below are the ICMR approved labs for "Collection at Home"**

1. Metropolis: 84228 01801
2. Thyrocare: 97024 66333
3. Suburban Diagnostics: 022 6170 0019
4. Sir HN Reliance: 98200 43966
5. SRL Labs

If you've been tested positive for the **COVID 19 virus**, then please follow these steps:

1. The resident should immediately contact his colony association and inform them of the same.
2. Once notified, the association rep will keep the BPP Trustees apprised.
3. The association rep will then take steps to safely ensure that the patient remains quarantined in his/her house till the relevant health-care authority deputed professionals to handle the case.

**NOTE: the testing agencies will automatically inform the government officials if a test result is COVID19 positive.**

4. The association representative will then escort the medical staff, BMC or Police to the building of the patient. They will then check the residence of the infected person and in-house quarantine everyone

who has been in contact with the patient. We would request all our community members to work with these officials as they are only trying to help us and stop the virus from spreading further into our community, which as we all know has a large number of aged individuals who are most susceptible to this highly infectious virus.

**As of now Kasturba, Seven Hills, Saifee and Nanavati hospitals are operating as Covid Treatment Centers.**

5. Next we will request the BMC to fumigate the building, the block and the entire colony to avoid spread of the virus and take all other measures as may be advised by the relevant authorities.

Once the patient is in quarantine, either at home or the hospital, his flat as well as his building and possibly neighboring buildings will be locked down by the BMC. It is at this time that we, as a community, need to be there to help each other fight through this.

1. Through the colony association, we will mobilize individuals to get essential supplies to locked down buildings and blocks. A concerted effort will be put in place to ensure each family in the locked block is able to receive basic supplies required to be in home quarantine.

2. Supplies will be left at a pre-assigned spot in the building for residents to collect one flat at a time. Accounts for the supplies to be maintained by the individuals who purchase or the committee and can be settled by bank transfer.

3. Volunteers will be identified in advance who call locked-down families on day to day basis to check on their well-being and what they need. Ideally one volunteer assigned to one family and then that volunteer can brief the others.

4. Our volunteer will also be checking up on the psychological health of the patient or family as we know these can be very trying times. We do not want any of our community members to feel ostracized.

5. A rope will be tied around the building along with the BMC or our internal sign stating till what date that particular building will be in lockdown.

6. If entire Baug in lockdown then the BPP will appoint volunteers from other baugs to be mobilized in getting essentials to the gates of the locked down baug.

These are simple guidelines which the BPP is ready to implement in case the virus invades our colony. But none of this will be possible without your cooperation and support.

Look forward to working with together in this fight so that we can all emerge healthy once this is all over.

Regards,

BPP Trustees.