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Sub.: Advisory on re-processing and re-use of eye-protection- Goggles.

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of advisory on re-processing and re-use of eye-protection-Goggles received from Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI.

All are requested to kindly follow the advisory strictly as notified by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GOI.

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Joint Registrar

To

- All HODs
- Junior Engineer (Electrical)
- Nodal Officer, COVID-19

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- P.S. to Director - for information of the Director.
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Advisory on re-processing and re-use of eye-protection - Goggles

Background:

Goggles are crucial components of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Kits. After use of PPE Kit all its components are discarded, as bio-medical waste. However, the goggles conforming to prescribed EN/BIS specifications can be reused after proper disinfection

Purpose of the documents

The purpose of this document is to enable individuals to reuse goggles used by them thus allowing an extended use without risk of contracting infection.

Standard Operating Procedure

Reuse

1. The kitting of the PPEs with goggles will be done away with.
2. All goggles that conform to prescribed EN/BIS specifications will be re-used after disinfection.
3. Reprocessing and reuse of goggles must be done only when it is dedicated to each individual (write name over the band)
4. Reprocessing must be done after every use before using it again.
5. Adhere to manufacturer's instructions for cleaning and disinfection of goggles, wherever available.
6. If such instruction are not available, clean and disinfect the goggles as follows:
 - While wearing gloves, clean goggles with soap/detergent and water and then immerse in 1% freshly prepared sodium hypochlorite for 10 minutes. Wash/wipe the inside and outside of goggles with clean water to remove residue.
 - Air dry completely on a clean flat surface or by hanging in clean place, or use clean tissue papers/gauge to dry it.
 - Store it in a paper bag/in a clean area to avoid recontamination.
 - Remove gloves and perform hand hygiene.
7. Eye protection must be discarded if damaged/rendered optically non-clear on repeated usage.

Ratio:

Goggles may be issued to each health care worker, who will decontaminate them after every use. Goggles to be disinfected by users and re-used at least five times each, whereby one pair of goggles will suffice for 6 days. They may use them rationally till their transparency decreases or they get damaged. The ratio of issue of goggles to coverall is recommended at 1:6.





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27.05.2020 Guidance note on Essential RMNCAH+N Services during and post COVID **NEW**
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24.05.2020 Guidelines for International arrivals
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24.05.2020 Guidelines for domestic travel (air/train/Inter-state bus travel)
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