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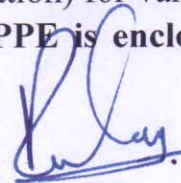
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Sub: Appropriate use of various types of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE triple layer masks, N 95 masks, gowns, goggles, gloves, kits etc) at AIIMS as part of COVID-19 preparedness.

In view of the current situation of ensuring preparedness of COVID-19, it is important that all the healthcare workers in the institute wear appropriate type of PPE. **It is important to use only the recommended type of PPEs** (triple layer masks, N 95 masks, gowns, goggles, gloves, kits etc) **relevant to the particular healthcare setting**. The judicious and appropriate use is even more important in the current scenario where availability of all these items is in short supply.

All the healthcare workers in the institute are hereby directed to follow the AIIMS COVID-19 task force guidelines (based on the WHO recommendation) for various patient care areas. **The copy of the guidelines for the use of PPE is enclosed herewith.**



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**Appropriate use of various PPEs at AIIMS
(Based on WHO Recommendations for COVID-19)**

Setting	Target personnel or patients	Activity	PPE
DESIGNATED COVID AREAS			
ICU	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses/Technician)	Aerosol Generating procedures	N95 Goggles or Face shield Gown (Water resistant) Gloves (Double) Apron (optional) Shoe cover Hood
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection	N95 Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Heavy Duty Gloves Boots Hood
Ward	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses/Technician)	Non-Aerosol Generating Procedure	N95 Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Gloves (Double) Shoe cover Hood
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection/Patient Shifting	N95 Heavy Duty Gloves/ Gloves (Patient shifting) Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Boots Hood
Screening (Burns and plastic surgery)	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Screening	N95 Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Gloves (Double)
	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Sampling	N95 Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Gloves (Double) Shoe cover Hood
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection/Patient Shifting	Triple layer mask Gloves(Patient shifting) Heavy Duty Gloves
DESIGNATED SCREENING AREAS			
Screening (New RAK OPD)	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Screening	N95 Gloves (Single)
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection	Triple layer mask Heavy Duty Gloves Boots
Screening (Emergency Medicine; Pediatrics OPD)	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Screening	N95 Goggles Gown(Surgical Linen Gown)use with an apron Gloves (Double)

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	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection	Triple layer mask Heavy Duty Gloves
TRANSPORT of COVID SUSPECT/ CONFIRMED CASE IN AMBULANCE			
Ambulance (HCW travelling in patient compartment)	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Attending patient (Direct contact >15 min)	N95 Goggles Gown(Water resistant) Gloves (Double)
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection	Triple layer mask Heavy Duty Gloves
	Driver	No Direct contact	Triple layer mask
NON-COVID AREA; MAIN HOSPITAL, CENTERS			
Emergency Medicine (New Emergency; Pediatric Emergency; Surgical Emergency)	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses/Technician)	Non-Aerosol generating procedure	Triple layer mask* Gown (In Red area only) Gloves (Double) *N95 [Red area only]
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection/Patient Shifting	Triple layer mask Gloves (Patient Shifting) Heavy Duty Gloves
General OPD/EHS OPD	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Non-Aerosol generating procedure	Triple layer mask
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection	Triple layer mask Heavy Duty Gloves
General Ward/Private Wards	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses)	Non-Aerosol generating procedure	Triple layer mask
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection/Patient Shifting	Triple layer mask Gloves (Patient Shifting) Heavy Duty Gloves
ICUs	Healthcare workers (Doctor/Nurses/Technician)	Aerosol Generating procedures in Non-COVID Area	Triple layer mask Cap Gown(Water resistant) Gloves Shoe cover
	Cleaner/Sweeper/HA	Disinfection/Patient Shifting	Triple layer mask Cap Gown(Water resistant) Gloves (Patient Shifting) Heavy Duty Gloves Boots
EHS Dispensary	Pharmacist	Drug Dispensing	Triple layer mask
Laboratory personnel	Doctor/Technician	Dealing with Respiratory samples	Triple layer mask Gown(Water resistant) Gloves Goggles
Radiodiagnosis	Doctor/Technician	Non-aerosol generating procedures	Triple layer mask
Administrative offices	All staff	No direct/indirect patient contact	No PPE
COVID Confirmed case/Suspect	Patient	For Droplet prevention	Triple layer mask