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**GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
(FINANCE PERSONNEL-I BRANCH)**

Dated, Chandigarh the 8th April, 2020

To

- (i) The Special Chief Secretary / All Additional Chief Secretaries / All Financial Commissioners / All Principal Secretaries / Administrative Secretaries to the Government of Punjab,
- (ii) All the Head of the Departments of the Government of Punjab,
- (iii) All the Commissioners of the Divisions,
- (iv) All the Deputy Commissioners / District and Session Judges of the State of Punjab.
- (v) Registrar General, Punjab and Haryana High Court,
- (vi) The Secretary, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.

Subject:- Payment of wages / emoluments during the period of Curfew/Lockdown due to Covid-19.

Respected Sir / Madam,

To contain the spread of Covid-19, the Government has taken measures like social distancing and isolation as prevention is the best way to address the problem. In view of Government's decision to enforce 21 days lock down till 14.4.2020, there may be cases where outsourced, contractual persons or daily wage workers (who are on continuous duty) have also been advised to stay at home which under normal circumstances would result in deduction of their wages/emoluments. This would cause hardships to lives of such staff/workers.

2. In view of these circumstances, it has, therefore, been decided that whenever any such contractual, outsourced persons or daily wage workers working in the Departments/Offices or other Organisation of the Government of Punjab are required to stay at home in view of Curfew/Lockdown order of Government regarding Covid-19 as a preventive measure, they shall be treated as "On duty" during such period of absence and necessary wages / emoluments would be accordingly paid to them.

3. These instructions shall be also applied to all Public Sector Undertaking / Corporations / Boards / Autonomous or Semi-autonomous Bodies/Statutory Bodies of Government of Punjab.

4. These instructions shall be applicable only during the period of Curfew/Lockdown due to Covid-19, as announced by the Government.

Yours faithfully,
Sunila Trikha
(Sunila Trikha)
Superintendent

Dated, Chandigarh, 8.4.2020

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the Private Secretary to the Chief Secretary, Government of Punjab, Chandigarh for information

Sunila Trikha
Superintendent

Dated, Chandigarh, 8.4.2020

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A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

- 1) Director, Treasury and Accounts, Punjab, Chandigarh.
- 2) All the Distt Treasury Officer / Treasury Officers.
- 3) Superintendent Finance Budget-1 Branch
- 4) Superintendent Finance Budget-2 Branch

Sunila Trikha
Superintendent