



**Government of Odisha
Health & Family Welfare Department**

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From

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Additional Chief Secretary to Government

To

All Collector & District Magistrates.
All Municipal Commissioners
Superintendents of all Medical College & Hospitals
All Chief District Medical & Public Health Officers

Sub: Disposal of dead body of Covid-19 suspects

Madam / Sir,

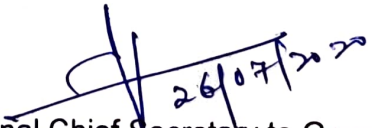
Special Relief Commissioner vide his letter No.4460/R&DM(DM) dated 25.7.2020 has issued certain guidelines for disposal of dead body of the suspect / confirmed cases of Covid-19.

In few cases, persons with Covid-19 symptoms under treatment/ quarantine die before their swab can be tested for Covid-19.

It is clarified that as we are in the midst of a global pandemic, as a measure of abundant precaution, in all such cases the dead body may be disposed of as per Covid norms, in compassionate consultation with the family of the deceased, without insisting on testing of swab or waiting for result.

This will reduce the trauma faced by the grieving family as there will be no delay in disposal of the body of the deceased after death.

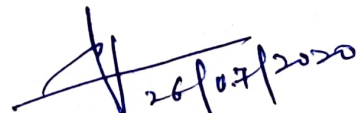
Yours faithfully,


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information.


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Copy forwarded to Dr.U.K.Satapathy, Addl.DMET & Nodal Officer for COVID Hospitals with a request to circulate the above instruction among all Covid-19 Hospitals.


Additional Chief Secretary to Government