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एवं कार्यकारी परिषद के सदस्य

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Dear Colleagues,

The COVID-19 situation has evolved further and we are dealing with this global challenge. The ongoing health crisis around COVID19 has affected all walks of life. It is in this context I would like to address you through this letter. First and foremost, my deepest sympathies are with all those who have been directly affected by COVID-19 pandemic.

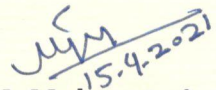
India Meteorological Department (IMD) has been taking all required precautions to contain the spread of Corona by implementing several precautionary measures while maintaining essential meteorological observations, continuing weather forecast and warning services. In spite of the increasing constraints on capacity and resources, IMD is able to maintain its observation network functional. I appreciate the dedication of all IMD employees and thank you all for your contribution during this crisis to enable our Department be prepared to cope with this situation.

Even though each day brings more uncertainties, there are definitive actions that can improve our resilience and strength. I request all of you to strictly follow the guidelines issued by States, UTs and Central Government of India in order to contain the spread of COVID-19. As the number of COVID-19 cases are again increasing in many parts of the country, we cannot afford to relax. The small measures like wearing the mask, frequently washing hands and social distancing can help containing the spread of COVID-19. I urge all the eligible employees to get vaccinated at the earliest. Please do not panic in case one has the symptoms of COVID-19, follow the medical advice of the experts.

We will continue to assess the situation and take appropriate action as per the Government directives. I urge all of you to please re-join with full vigour and enthusiasm as the crisis is far from over and requires our focused and dedicated efforts to support the nation in meeting the needs of weather forecast and early warning services.

Stay safe and healthy!

Yours sincerely,


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