

General Advisory for EEMA Members: COVID-19

COVID-19, the novel coronavirus outbreak, has spread to more than 70 countries, infecting nearly 1 million people and has resurfaced in India on March 2nd. It is primarily spread between people via respiratory droplets from coughs and sneezes; therefore, maintaining high standards of personal hygiene and infection control is of utmost importance for all. If one is in/have recently travelled to an area where there is an outbreak of COVID-19, they need to take the risk of infection seriously. Please find attached an information leaflet on COVID-19 infection prevention and control for individuals.

As the rate of transmission of COVID-19 is high, though the severity is low, all members who have recently travelled to countries/areas with high reported cases of COVID-19 are advised to refrain from attending physical meetings, conferences or other business events and should avoid visiting public places to minimise the risk of spreading the infection.



- Via large respiratory droplets produced when an infected person coughs or sneezes



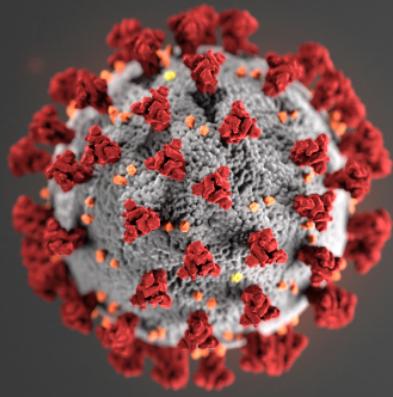
- Systemic: Fever, headache & fatigue
- Respiratory: Cough &/or shortness of breath
- Lab:
 - Decreased WBC Count
 - Deranged liver and kidney function



- Individuals of all ages can acquire the infection
- Older people and people with preexisting medical conditions such as asthma, heart diseases and diabetes, appear to be more vulnerable



- Only symptomatic and supportive treatment
- No vaccine or antiviral drugs available yet



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Be Alert , Don't Panic

Given the continued spread of the Corona virus world wide and its advent in to India, It would be good for all member agencies to put on record your protocol and share the same with your clients to ensure that we are seen to be pro active and to protect the event industry.

Hygiene and Infection Control at Events



Travel Safety

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 Refrain from travel to affected countries
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 Refrain from travel if you have symptoms like fever and cough
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 Take universal droplet infection precautions for travel to affected areas

