

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE
Parivar Kalyan Bhawan, Sector 34-A, Chandigarh

No. COVID-19/NHM/Pb/20/1640-48

Date 21 July 2020 Chandigarh

To

1. All the Special Chief Secretary/ Additional Chief Secretary/ Financial Commissioners / Principal Secretaries/ Administrative Secretaries to the Govt. of Punjab.
2. All the Head of the Department of the Govt. of Punjab.
3. All the Commissioners of the Divisions.
4. All the Commissioners of Police.
5. All the Deputy Commissioners.
6. Registrar General, Punjab and Haryana High Court.
7. All Senior Superintendents of Police.
8. The Secretary, Punjab Vidhan Sabha.
9. All the Civil Surgeons of Punjab.

Subject: Advisory on cleaning and maintenance of Mobile Phones during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Corona virus Disease 2019 (COVID -19) is a systemic disease caused by a novel Corona virus (SARS-CoV-2), transmitted in most instances through respiratory droplets, direct contact with cases and also through contaminated surfaces/objects. Timely and Correct and timely information and knowledge about the corona virus is the key to control the pandemic.

I. General Advisory

1. Always keep your hands clean and sanitized with hand-wash/ sanitization with 70% Isopropyl Alcohol based sanitizer. Hands be washed or sanitized in the manner prescribed.
2. Hand-wash with soap and water/sanitization in the prescribed manner should be practiced after unavoidable mobile phone usage.
3. Avoid keeping the mobile phone on any surface.

4. Don't use someone else's mobile phone/headphones/headsets and don't share your mobile/headphones/headsets with others.
5. Use of headphones/headsets (Wired/Wireless) is advised to avoid direct contact of the phone with the face/mouth.
6. Use of mobile phones on Speaker mode, if feasible, may be practiced as an alternative to point 5, i.e., where Head phones/head sets are not available..
7. In office settings, use of intercom facility be preferred over the use of mobile phones. However, the intercom facility be regularly disinfected.

II. Advisory for cleaning the mobile surfaces

1. It is advised to carefully read the "User Support Guidelines" of one's mobile as also the updated version of these guidelines on the official website of the relevant mobile company.
2. While wiping the exterior of Mobile phones with a disinfectant, in case permissible in the User Guidelines, the use of bleach or entry of moisture through any of the openings must be avoided. Any harsh chemical may damage the oleo-phobic screen, leading to damage in the touch screen sensitivity of the phone.


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1. OSD to Chief Secretary for kind information of Chief Secretary Govt. of Punjab.
2. PS to Additional Chief Secretary Health and Family Welfare Punjab
3. PA to Secretary Health and Family Welfare Punjab.
4. PA to MD PHSC.
5. State Control Room for COVID-19.


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