

GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE

ORDER

The State Government, in exercise of the powers bestowed under the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897; directs that no private laboratory should charge any amount more than **Rs. 2400/-** for RT-PCR test for COVID-19, inclusive of GST/Taxes, if any, cost involved in pick up, packing and transportation of samples, documentation and reporting in the State of Punjab; and adhere to the following conditions:-

- i. All the testing protocols as laid down by ICMR and the Government of India from time to time shall be followed by the Private Laboratories.
- ii. The Private Laboratories shall share the data pertaining to the results of these tests for COVID-19 with state Government and ICMR on a real time basis through ICMR portal.
- iii. At the time of sampling, the identification, address and verified mobile number of the person, who is being tested, must be noted for record, as per sample referral form (SRF). The data should be uploaded on the RT-PCR app at the time of taking the sample. The test report should be communicated to the patient immediately after the testing is complete.
- iv. A positive test report should be immediately communicated to the Civil Surgeon of the concerned district through e-mail.
- v. All the private NABL & ICMR approved laboratories are instructed that information of the patient should be maintained with utmost confidentiality. All the private COVID-19 testing laboratories must preserve the RT-PCR machine generated data for future verification by the State Government.
- vi. The laboratories are also instructed to display.



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2. Principal Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Punjab
3. Principal Secretary Medical Education & Research, Punjab.
4. Mission Director, National Health Mission, Punjab.
5. Managing Director, PHSC, Punjab.
6. Director Health Services, Punjab.
7. All the Deputy Commissioners of Punjab.
8. All the Civil Surgeons of Punjab.



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