



Letter No: UKHFWS/NHM/COVID-19/2020/165

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To,

1. All District Magistrate,
Uttarakhand

2. All Chief Medical Officer,
Uttarakhand.

Subject: Implementation of Rapid Antibody based blood test for COVID-19 and usage of RATI App.

Dear All,

As you are aware that laboratory testing is a key component in COVID-19 prevention and control. Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Government of India, has advised to use Rapid Antibody blood test for COVID-19 to strengthen present diagnostic structure. ICMR has released an advisory for using Rapid Antibody test (enclosed). As guided by ICMR this is to reiterate that all the districts are advised to use Rapid Antibody test in the settings as describe below:

1. Identification of hot spots as per "micro plan for containing local transmission of corona virus disease (COVID-19)" and use of Rapid Antibody test on persons identified with influenza like illness during containment procedure.
2. Epidemiological surveillance.
3. Large migration gatherings.
4. Evacuees centres/identified quarantine centres and COVID care centres as per guidelines.


All the health care workers doing the Rapid Antibody test must use proper safety gear as per the guidelines.

As per instructions from ICMR (enclosed) all the districts conducting Rapid Antibody test needs to update data in RATI app available on google play store (<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=nic.hp.rati>). It is strictly mandatory to upload results of all the Rapid Antibody Tests for COVID-19 on RATI app. The inventory of antibody test kits would be captured from the ones utilized and data entered in the App

All labs should register on the website <https://covid19cc.nic.in/ICMR> which will provide credentials for uploading results using RATI app.

Enclosed: as above.

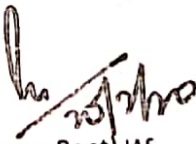
Thanking You


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