No .40-3/2020-DM-I(A) Government of India Ministry of Home Affairs

North Block, New Delhi-110001 Dated: 3rd May, 2021

To

Chief Secretaries/Administrators of **All States/Union Territories** (As per list attached)

Clarification on use of liquid oxygen for testing of ventilators. Subject: Sir/Madam.

Please refer to this Ministry's Order of even number dated 25.04.2021 and 26.04.2021, relating to use of liquid oxygen for medical purposes.

- Clarification has been sought, as to whether use of liquid oxygen is 2. for mandatory oxygen testing of ventilators, as ventilator manufactures have to undergo mandatory oxygen testing. It is clarified that since oxygen testing of ventilators is a mandatory requirement and as the ventilators are meant for medical use, it is covered under the aforesaid MHA Orders dated 25.04.2021 and 26.04.2021. Therefore, use of liquid oxygen by the manufacturers of ventilators may continue to be allowed for the mandatory oxygen testing of ventilators.
- It is requested that the above clarification may please be disseminated to the field agencies, so as to ensure unhindered manufacture, testing and supply of ventilators.

Yours faithfully,

(Sanjeev Kumar Jindal) Joint Secretary to the Government of India

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- 1) Secretaries of Ministries/Departments of Government of India
- 2) Member Secretary, National Disaster Management Authority
- 3) Secretary, Department of Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade with reference to their O.Mo. No. P-45021/50/2021-BE-II (E-54882) dated 30.04.2021