



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

Heath & Family Welfare (F) Department

F2/31/2020-HEALTH-Part(20)

09/02/2021, Thiruvananthapuram

To

The Principal Secretary to Government.

From

SMD, NHM, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram.

The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.

Sir,

Sub: Heath & Family Welfare Department - COVID-19- Enhancing  
1,00,000 tests/day - Functioning of Government labs - further  
instructions - Reg

I am to inform you that the Government have decided to ramp up the testing through Government laboratories to achieve 1 lakh COVID19 tests per day, in which 75,000 test should be RT PCR. Hence you are directed to ensure that the 2nd shift is started in the laboratories at the earliest not later than 7 days. As the State is gearing up for increasing the testing capacity using RT PCR, additional human resource are required for enabling the laboratories to perform with full capacity. Hence, the respective DMOs are instructed for facilitate and meet the requirements according to the table attached in the Annexure.

SMD shall ensure that through COVID brigade the DMO and DPM shall take actions to engage the required man power indicated in the table and also additional manpower.

Yours Faithfully,

**B S BIJU BHASKAR**

**ADDITIONAL SECRETARY**

For Principal Secretary to Government.

Approved for issue,

Section Officer.

Enclosure: Annexure.

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