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Government of India
North Block,
New Delhi

D.O. No. 40-10/2020-DM-I(A)

12th June, 2020

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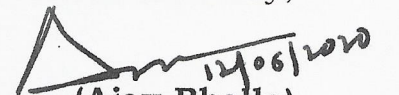
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4. Accordingly, States/UTs are advised not to prevent such movement as mentioned above. Necessary instructions to this effect may please be issued to the district and local authorities.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


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To

The Chief Secretaries of all States

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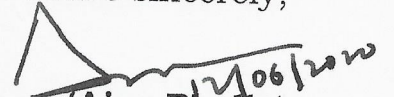
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