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From

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To

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Sub: Preparation of process documentation of management of COVID-19 pandemic and state pandemic management plan.

Madam,

You may know that the Additional Chief Secretary, RD, SRC and MD, OSDMA has been declared as the State Nodal Officer for coordinating with private sector, NGOs and International Organizations for response related activities and also to coordinate with empowered groups of Government of India constituted under the Disaster Management Act-2005.

Process documentation of the initiatives and activities of government, NGOs and International aid agencies for management of any disaster creates the invaluable institutional memory for the posterity which is treated as an important aspect of disaster preparedness and management. It is being contemplated in OSDMA to take up documentation of the activities and decision making process for management of COVID-19 pandemic in Odisha. It is further considered to prepare a State Pandemic Management Plan in line with the state disaster management plan to help the future generations to achieve better pandemic preparedness. UNICEF has always been a very valuable partner of OSDMA in promoting and augmenting the disaster preparedness in the state.

I would therefore request UNICEF, State Field Office to extend possible cooperation and assistance to help OSDMA prepare process documentation of management of COVID-19 pandemic and preparation of the State Pandemic Management Plan, drawing upon experiences from the State, National & Global activities, case studies/expertise.

Yours faithfully,


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ACS-cum-Managing Director