

Health Ministry issues COVID-19 guidelines for workplace safety

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Dr Harsh Vardhan, Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Science & Technology and Earth Sciences and Santosh Kumar Gangwar, Union Minister of State (Independent Charge), Labour & Employment have released a booklet on 'COVID-19- Safe Workplace Guidelines for Industry'.

Dr. Harsh Vardhan said, "These guidelines are commendable and timely. This will help in welfare of the industrial workers. The guidelines act as a comprehensive planning guidance for employers and workers to use it to help identify risk levels of Covid-19 at individual workplace settings in their premises and to determine appropriate control measures".

These guidelines consolidate all important measures into a ready reckoner of action points to make the workplace safe based on the bulwark of infection control measures like respiratory hygiene, frequent hand washing, social distancing and frequent sanitization of the workplace.

The Health Minister further said, "As the country is moving towards the unlocking of economic activities, it is important that the guidelines are followed within the industry premises. Scientific prevention, precaution and positive attitude will help us in our fight against COVID. These guideline will provide the guidance for the assessment, categorization and mitigation of risk related to varied work related exposures to Covid-19 and contingency plan."