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NOTE

In the past few days of lock-down, due to the Covid-19, it has been observed that there is no shortage of food grains, fruits and vegetables in the state. However, it has also come to our notice that some of the fruits are being harvested and need to be transported to their destinations. Some of them even go outside the state.

Due to the lock-down, in many cases, movement of goods vehicles could not take place and we have got report of excess fruits such as water melon, musk melon, grapes, pineapple etc. in some of the districts. It is important to instruct all the field level staff of both agriculture and horticulture department to pan out in the field immediately and keep in touch with the farmers and guide them.

It is important to boost the morale of farmers at this moment to give them all possible support and to facilitate the movement of their produce to the buying end. All the Deputy Commissioners of the districts should immediately ensure the functioning of food processing units at the earliest if they are in their own districts and to inform the Director, Horticulture if they are outside the state or outside their district.

(Vandita Sharma)

Addl. Chief Secretary &
Development Commissioner

To All the Deputy Commissioners in the State

Copy to:

- 1) The Secretary to Govt., Agriculture Department,
- 2) The Commissioner Agriculture
- 3) Special Secretary, Food processing & Harvest Technology
- 4) The Director, Horticulture

with a request to coordinate with the Deputy Commissioners and give feedback.