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Urgent need to detect cases of black fungus across Madhya Pradesh, says CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan

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BHOPAL: Chief minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan has said that there is an urgent need to launch a widespread campaign in the entire state for the early detection of cases of black fungus. Advisory should be issued by developing necessary strategies for immediate identification of cases of black fungus at each ward and at village level, he said. This will ensure immediate treatment in such cases. Chouhan has directed to create special wards in five medical colleges of Bhopal, Jabalpur, Gwalior, Indore and Rewa for the treatment of black fungus.

Chouhan was addressing the discussion with experts and group of officers on future action plans for strengthening Covid control and health services through video conferencing from his residence on Saturday. The CM said

that the campaign against Corona in the state was conducted with the cooperation of the public.

The fight against Covid fought with the help of the public through disaster management groups and other means has been successful and the infection has been controlled in the state from the district to the village level, Chouhan said adding that a long fight remains in this direction. The state government considers suggestions and discussion necessary to improve its strategy at every level.

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Chouhan invited suggestions from experts and group of officers related to increasing participation of society in the management of Covid-19, make habits and behaviour necessary for Covid control a permanent part of our lives, better management of private and government hospitals, strengthening of health services, motivating citizens to adopt healthy living practices, expansion of traditional medical practices and relevance of other states and countries to the best practices in their states and their relevance to the state.

Besides, he invited suggestions regarding the process of post-Covid care, the status and prevention of black fungus, necessary
preparations keeping in mind the third wave of Corona, and how we should behave after Corona. Additional chief secretary, health, Mohammad Suleman gave a presentation on the management of Covid-19 in the state.
Participants in this discussion included senior consultant of NITI Aayog Dr K Madangopal, director general at Delhi-based think tank Research and Information Systems in Development Countries and member of Board of Governors of the Reserve Bank of

India Prof Sachin Chaturvedi, Dr Abhishek Jain of World Health Organization, Dr Jyotsna Srivastava, member of Gandhi Medical

College Bhopal, Vandana Bhatia of UNICEF, Dr Rahul Khare, Dr Nishant Khare, Dr Devashish Vishwas of AllMS Bhopal, Dr Lokendra Dave and Dr Mahesh Maheshwari of Gandhi Medical College and Dr PK Pandey of National Hospital.