

# **GUIDELINES**

for SIDDHA PRACTITIONERS for COVID 19



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#### **Current Status of Covid-19 in India**

As on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2020, in India 9431 confirmed cases are increasing at the rate of 300 cases per day. Also active in quarantine is 7987 and confirmed death is 335. More than 3000 confirmed cases are available mostly in Maharashtra (2064), Tamil Nadu (1075), Delhi (1154), Rajasthan (847) and Madhya Pradesh (562) these 5 states. Andhra Pradesh, Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, and Karnataka are having more than 200 cases in each state. It is clearly indicating almost 80% of cases available in this 9 States. Even among the exposed population, the growth rate is still moderate due to the initiatives taken by the government like nationwide lockdown creating awareness among the public about the social distancing. Also, we cannot ignore the selfimmunity which we need to be boosted through our indigenous Medical Systems like Siddha.

Day by day the number of cases of COVID-19 infection in India is increasing. With the Spread over more than 28 states, isolation and social distancing is the general measures taken up by the public promoted by the government in the form of lockdown.

### Siddha System & Epidemics / Pandemics

In the Siddha system, Epidemics/Pandemics are mentioned as "Uzhi Noi" or "Kothari Noi". In general, they are classified under "KollaiNoikal"(Communicable Diseases) which are most commonly occurred the time of "Ayana Santhi" months (Means end a month of Uthara Ayanam & Thatchana Ayanam), fall on Adi and Margazhi month in Tamil Calendar. It is believed that in those days, the immunity of human beings will be low based on MukkutramTheory.



### **Preventive Care:**

#### **Common Advisory:**

- Drinking water- Herbal water infusion made up of half teaspoon of Chukku (Dried Ginger) / boiled in two liters of water can be used as drinking water.
- Inji thenooral / Inji (Ginger) Tea / Adhimaduram (Licorice) tea may be taken as hot beverages.
- Avoiding Milk at bedtime is advisable if needed for children to add a quarter teaspoonful of Manjal (Turmeric) with Milagu (Pepper).
- Steam inhalation With Tulasi/ Nochi (Vitex negundo) leaves / Manjal (Turmeric)
- Gargling water boiled with a pinch of Salt and Turmeric should be used not less than 3 times .
- All karappan pandam (allergic foodstuff) should be avoided in the diet.
- Diet may include Nandu kanji (Crab soup), Pancha mudichi kanji (5-grain gruel) and Irumurai vadittha kanji (double-cooked gruel).
- Environmental sanitation Neem leaves fumigation is advocated

## **Anti-Virals**

#### Anti-viral Siddha Formulation:

- Kaba Sura Kudineer 60 ml twice a day after food
- NilaVembu Kudineer- 60 ml twice a day after food
- Visha Sura Kudineer- 60 ml Twice a day after food
- **Pavala Parpam** -100 mg twice a day with Honey
- Velli parpam 50 to 100 mg twice a day with Honey

#### Anti-Viral Siddha herbs:

- Inji (Zingiber officinale): Injisurasam– 10 ml Once a day
- Thulasi (Ocimum sanctum): Thulasi Kudineer– 60 ml Twice a day
- Milaku (Piper nigrum): With Thulasi as Kudineer said above
- Karunjeerakam (Nigella sativa): Karunjeeraka Chooranam1gm BD
- Keezhanelli (Phyllanthus niruri): Keezhanellisamoolam 2gm Twice a day

- Athimadhuram (Glycyrrhiza glabra): Athimadhura Chooranam-1 gm BD
- Vellaipoondu (Allium sativum): Poonduthaen
- **Cittra mutti** (Sidacordifolia): Cittramutti Kudineer-30 ml Twice a day
- Seenthil (Tinospora cordifolia): Seenthil Chooranam– 1gm Twice a day
- Manjal (Curcuma longa)
- Elumitchai (Citrus limonia) Volatile oil
- Vembu (Azadirachtaindica)

*Note:* Antiviral activity of the above mentioned drugs and formulations against COVID 19 is not established and not being claimed

## Immunity enhancers specific to respiratory care

**Details of Siddha medicines for Boosting Immunity** 

S.No	Immunity Enhancer	Usage	Remarks	
1.	Karpam: • Korai kizhangukarpam • Thoothuvelai Karpam	With sugar	Internal	
2.	Vatral: • Kovaikkaivatral • Manathakkalivatral • Nellivatral	As fryums	It can be taken along with regular food.	
3.	Vadagam: Inji Vadagam	1 -2 tablets, with water, thrice a day.	Internal	
4.	Adai: Musumusukkaiadai	Leaves grind with boiled rice flour	Internal	
5.	Others:			
6.	Seenthil Chooranam	1 - 2 gm, With Ghee Twice a day.	Internal	
7.	• Thiripala Chooranam	1 - 3 gm, With Honey, Ghee or Hot water, twice a day.	Internal	
8.	<ul><li>Vallarai Choorana</li><li>Mathirai</li></ul>	2 - 4 tablets, with hot water, twice a day.	Internal	
9.	• Urai Mathirai	50mg (Depend upon the age group)	Internal for Children	
10.	Amukkara Chooranam	1 - 2 gm, with honey, hot water or milk, twice a day.	Internal	
11.	<ul> <li>NellikaiIlagam</li> </ul>	2- 4 gm, twice a day	Internal	
12.	Ennai muzhukku: • Thulasithailakarpam	Oil bath	External	

# Details of Varmam points stimulated for Boosting Immunity

Varmam	Location	Finger selection	Procedure	Duration
Vilangu Varmam	A dimple at theMiddle threePlace the tip of the middle threelateral end of thefingersfingers over the varmam point andclavicle.do a clockwise rotation		fingers over the varmam point and	30 Sec
Ullangaal Vellai Varmam	i Varmam big and second toe in the plantar region (Central part (pulp) of the and then press and release (be		Place the Central part (pulp) of the thumb over the Varmam point and then press and release (both sides)	30 Sec
Nadi Soothira Varmam	Four finger breadths above the wrist joint (radial aspect)	Both the thumb (Medial 1⁄4 part of the thumb)	Place the middle of the thumb (palmar aspect) over the Varmam point; press and release.	30 Sec
Savvu Varmam	Four finger breadths distal from the shoulder joint on the medial side of the upper arm	Both the thumb (Medial 1/4 part of the thumb)	Place the middle of the thumb (palmar aspect) over the Varmam point; press and release.	30 Sec

## Symptom Specific Approach in Covid-19:

**Interventions for Preventive Category:** 

Prevention for fever and respiratory illness									
Interventions	Dose Recom	mendation a		Anupanam	Remarks				
	Peadiatric Age group (<12 Years)		Adoles- Adult		Geriatric	/ Direction of			
			cent (13-	(19-65	Age group	Use			
	<5 Yrs	5-12 yrs	18 Years)	Years)	(>65 Years)				
Nilavembu	5ml	10ml	30 ml	60-90 ml	60 ml	Twice a day	After F <mark>ood</mark>		
Kudineer /									
Kaba									
SuraKudineer									
Seenthil	200mg	500 mg	1 gm	1-2 gm	1-2 gm	Honey/ twice	After Food		
Chooranam						a day			
NellikkaiIlagam	1-2 gm	3 gm	5 gm	5-10 gm	5 gm	Twice a day	After Food		

## Interventions for Mild and Moderate Symptoms:

Symptoms	Interventions for mild and moderate symptoms								
	Intervention Dose Recommendation as per the Age group						Anupanam	Rem	
		Peadiatric Age group (<12 Years)		Adoles cent (13-18	Adult (19-65 Years)	Geriatri c group	/ Direction of Use	arks	
		<5 Yrs	5-12 yrs	Years)		(>65 Years)			
Cough	Kaba Sura Kudineer	5ml	10ml	30 ml	60-90 ml	60 ml	Twice a day	After Food	
	AdathodaiMana pagu	2ml	5ml	10ml	10-20ml	10-15ml	Warm Water/ BD	After Food	
	NellikkaiIlagam	1-2 gm	3 gm	5 gm	5-10 gm	5 gm	Twice a day	After Food	
	VasanthaKusum akaram	-	1Nos	1 Nos	1 -2 Nos	1 Nos	Twice a day	After Food	
Sore Throat	ThalisathiVadag am	1/4 Nos	1/2 Nos	1/2 Nos	1 Nos	1 Nos	Twice a day	After Food	
	Kaba Sura Kudineer	5ml	10ml	30 ml	60-90 ml	60 ml	Twice a day	After Food	
	AdathodaiNei	1 ml	5 ml	10 ml	10-15 ml	5-10 ml	Twice a day	After Food	
High Fever	NilaVembu / Kaba Sura Kudineer	5ml	10ml	30 ml	60-90 ml	60 ml	Twice a day	After Food	
	BramanandaBair avam	-	1Nos	1 Nos	1 -2 Nos	1 Nos	Twice a day	After Food	
	AdathodaiMana pagu	2 ml	5 ml	10ml	10-20ml	10-15ml	Warm Water/ BD	After Food	
	Thirithoda Mathirai	-	1Nos	1 Nos	1 -2 Nos	1 Nos	Twice a day	After Food	
Difficulty In Breathing	NilaVembu / Kaba Sura Kudineer	5ml	10ml	30 ml	60-90 ml	60 ml	Twice a day	After Food	
	Seenthil Chooranam	200mg	500 mg	1 gm	1-2 gm	1-2 gm	Honey / twice a day	After Food	
	PachaiKarpoora Mathirai	-	1/2 Nos	1Nos	1-2 Nos	1 Nos	Honey / only in the Morning	After Food	
	SwasaKudori Mathirai	-	1/2 Nos	1Nos	1-2 Nos	1 Nos	Honey / only in the Morning	After Food	
	ThippiliRasaya- nam	200 mg	500 mg	1 gm	1 gm	1 gm	Twice a day	After Food	

#### **External Therapy:**

- Neerkovai Mathirai for headache.
- Fomentation betel leaf over the chest

#### Nasiyam:

• Thumbai poo, Thulasi leave juice for Sore throat, Nasal obstruction

#### **Pugai:**

- Kandangathiri Pugai
- Manjal Kombu Pugai for rhinitis, nasal obstruction

#### Varmam:

• Thivalai Kalam, Adapa Kalam, Kavuli Kalam, Mudichu Varmam, Sakthi Varmam, and other energizing Varmam points for immune enhancing, fever and respiratory illness.

## Interventions for Comorbid Conditions with Fever and Respiratory Illness

Symptoms	Comorbid conditions with respiratory illness								
	Intervention	Dose Recommen- dation	Anupanam / Direction of Use	Re- marks					
Diabetes	NilaVembu Kudineer	30-60 ml	Twice a day	After Food					
	Seenthil Choornam	2 gm	Warm Water/Twice a day	After Food					
	Keezhanelli Choornam	3 gm	Twice a day	After Food					
Hypertensi on	Seeraga Choornam	1-2 gm	Warm Water/ Twice a day	After Food					
Pregnant women	Poondu (Garlic) milk:	2 pieces	Poondu boiled with a glass of milk should be taken at night	After Food					
	NilaVembu Kudinee r	30-60 ml	second and third trimesters Twice a day	After Food					
	Kothumalli (Coriander seeds) and Seeragam (Cumin seeds) kudineer	30-60 ml	Twice a day	After Food					
Paediatric Population	Urai Mathirai	1 or 2 Nos	Rubbings with breast milk/honey/Twice a day	After Food					
	Athimatura Chooranam	1 gm	Honey / Twice a day	After Food					
	NellikkaiIlagam	3-5 gm	Twice a day	After Food					
	Balasanjeevi Mathirai /Kasthuri Mathirai	1 Nos	Twice a day	After Food					
Lactating Mothers	Thanneervittannei	5-10 ml	Twice a day	After Food					
Geriatric Population	Thulasi /Thoothuvelai /Kuppaimeni / Mukkarattai /Seenthil /Elam	1-2 gm	Decoction or Hot water / Twice a day	After Food					

## **Rationale behind selected treatments:**

In Siddha System, the Diseases are raised based on the derangement of Mukkutram. Usually, Thottru Noigal (communicable diseases) associated with Aiya kutram (Respiratory related Illness), are gets affected due to its Sthiram gunam (stability factor). In Guru Naadiquoted, Thottru Noigal generally caused by Kirumi(Pathogens). The symptoms are due to Noiyinan vanmai (Immunity of individual), if it is good, he/she will not be affected. So, the Medicines are used to neutralize the Aiya kutram.

# Other general measures for the control of fever and respiratory illness:

#### General hygiene & sanitation measures are to be continued.

- Padigara Neer for Handwash
- Turmeric water washes for sanitizing hands and legs.

#### **Environmental sanitation:**

Fumigation of the house every evening with Kungiliyam (Shorea robusta), Sambrani (Styrax benzoin), Manjal (Curcuma longa), Vembu (Azadirachtaindica) are advocated

#### Isolation & Quarantine of elderly people who are vulnerable.

## Stress management is very essential among the subjects under isolation / quarantine.

- The Yogam practices such as Naadi sutthi Pranayamam as given in Thirumoolar Thirumanthiram Literature will help to increase the elasticity of bronchioles as well as rejuvenate the lung tissues.
- Pranayamam, Naadi suthi pranayamam, Suriya namaskaram, Savasanam, Makarasanam, Meenasanam, Artha meenasanam.

#### Varmam:

- Thivalai Kalam, Adapa Kalam, Kavuli Kalam, Mudichu Varmam, Sakthi Varmam, and other energizing Varmam points are advised for self-stimulation
- Coarse powder of coriander seeds with palm jiggery made as a decoction and can be taken in the morning.
- Take 500 mg of powdered Amukkara with milk or Hotwater.
- Advised to take oil bath twice a week with medicated oils like Karisalai Thailam, Santhanathy Thailam.

#### **Diet Advisory:**

- Foods can be easily digestible should be advocated
- Plenty of Boiled Water Intake
- Take lemon juice daily
- Barley gruel, Panchamutti kanji gruel, Raggi gruel
- Rasam with pepper and jeera, star anise and cinnamon, Ginger and Garlic
- Daily green smoothie like Avaraipinju (Broad beans), KathaiPinju (Brinjal), Murungai (Moringa Leaves)to improve prebiotics in Gut and for detoxification
- As above with diet for co-morbidities, like Low Glycemic index and Low Glycemic diet,

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