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Communication from the Government of India

1. The Executive Director attaches a communication from the Government of India, providing clarifications on the Nipah virus outbreak in Kerala.

2. ICO Members are kindly requested to share this communication with delegates attending the 5th World Coffee Conference and associated meetings.

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Ms. Vanusia Nogueira Executive Director, International Coffee Organization London. Dear Ms. Vanusia.

Sub: Precautionary measures regarding Nipah Virus in India - reg.

With respect to above subject, it is learnt that some of the ICO Delegates who are bound for 5th World Coffee Conference are expressing concerns regarding media reports on Nipah virus in India. The Department of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India, as per the latest report, has clearly stated that Nipah virus disease reported from two districts of Kerala i.e. Kozhikode and Malappuram is only a local occurrence and there is no need for the general public to be apprehensive about safety of individuals. The two districts where the virus is reported are in the State of Kerala, while the 5th World Coffee Conference is being held in Bengaluru which is in the State of Karnataka. The distance between Bengaluru and the districts where Nipah Virus reported is Kozhikode 366 kms and Malappuram 335 kms. Further there are no fresh cases reported. The Government of Karnataka state has taken strict measures with respect to Border Surveillance. Hence, there is no health concern for the delegates who are travelling from various countries to attend the 5th World Coffee Conference.

It is requested to communicate the same among all delegates who are attending the 5th World Coffee Conference.

With regards,

Yours sincerely (Dr K G Jagadeesha)