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Panel set up to deal with corona cost: PM

'No Shortage Of Essentials, Don't Go For Panic Buying'

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New Delhi: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Thursday said the coronavirus pandemic had severely affected the economy and keeping mind the challenges posed by the outbreak, a task force headed by finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman had been set up to meet the challenge. The PM said the 'Covid-19 Economic Response Task Force' will consult stakeholders and take feedback, on the basis of which decisions will be taken to meet the economic challenges which he said might be prolonged. The task force will also ensure implementation of decisions taken to meet these challenges.

"This task force will keep in touch with various stakeholders regularly, take their feedback, analyse the challenges and take decisions in the near future. This task force will also decide that whatever steps are needed to deal with economic chal-

Mediapersons also in frontline of fight against coronavirus, says PM Modi

New Delhi: Persons working in the media, government, hospitals and people's representatives were the frontline of the fight against Covid-19 and form part of essential services at a time when the country is facing the challenge of a global pandemic, Prime Minister Narendra Modi said on Thursday. "Those who are in government service, those who are working with hospitals, those who are people's representatives, mediapersons...it is necessary for them to be active but other members of the society should isolate themselves," said Modi.

"Without worrying about their safety, these people are engaged in serving others. They also face the danger of being infected. Despite this they are serving others, they are trying to serve others. They are standing between corona and the countrymen as protectors," he said. TNN

lenges are effectively implemented," Modi said in his national television address.

Sitharaman's office tweeted that the FM will meet ministers for animal husbandry, dairy and fisheries, civil aviation and MSME's on Friday between 3pm and 7pm to assess the economic impact of Covid-19 in these sectors. The PM also urged the business community and higher income groups to look after the economic needs of those in lower income brackets, from whom they take various services, urging them not to cut salaries on days they are unable to work due to inability to reach workplaces.

He stressed on the importance of humanity during such times. "This pandemic has definitely deeply hurt the economic well-being of the middle class, the lower middle class and the poor. In this hour of crisis, my appeal to the business community and upper income group is that please keep in mind the economic interests of those whose services you avail," Modi said.

The PM also assured citizens that there would not be any shortage of essential items like food, milk, medicines and urged people to not resort to panic buying. "Please do not resort to panic buying," he said.

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