

Hi, I am Deepak. My brother, Sanju and I work with a contractor who provides door-to-door waste collection service from quarantine households for the municipality. I know that like us, many of you are also providing these services to citizens during this Covid-19 pandemic. And that's why I would like to share some safety tips with you to protect you from the Novel Corona Virus....

Disclaimer: These instructions are no SOPs for their regular work but intended to highlight additional safety measures to be taken by sanitation workers during Covid-19 pandemic.

Before leaving home for your work, you must



1. Wear full sleeve and full-length clothes



3. Carry the Emergency pass issued by ULB



5. Gloves, mask, apron, shoes (if mask is not available, then use a clean cloth in 2-3 layers to cover your nose and mouth)



2. Cover wounds with water-proof band-aid



4. Carry water and soap to wash hands



6. Carry extra set of clothes

When you reach the workplace, you must



1. Wash hands with soap for 20 seconds at least



3. Ask everyday for new set of PPEs (masks, apron and gloves) and wear them properly



5. Ensure thermal checking, before leaving for duty



2. Avoid touching unnecessary objects Avoid touching face, nose, eyes



4. Only touch your PPEs and allotted pushcart / Vehicle



6. Avoid touching the front of the mask while you're wearing it

When you start your work, follow these steps...



1. Blow horn to open the gate



4. Ask citizens to dispose used masks and gloves in a separate bag



7. Do not touch dustbins and waste with bare hands



2. Keep minimum distance of 4 feet from others



5. Use sheet/pan to pick up littered waste



8. Avoid drinking, eating while picking up and disposing of quarantines household's waste



3. Ask citizens to throw their waste directly in the yellow marked bag



6. Take extra care while picking up waste may carry saliva i.e. ice-cream stick, etc.



9. If waste touches eyes, nose, mouth, wash your hands with soap immediately and then your face. Inform your supervisor

When you return to your work base (transfer station/ ward office etc.)



Remove safety gears and dispose off at designated place



Disinfect your on-duty clothes and vehicles after finishing work



Wear mask while traveling to home





Change clothes



Wash your hands with soap for at least 20 secs



Ensure thermal screening before leaving

Before meeting anyone in the family, first wash clothes and hang them in a sunny dry place

Contact a doctor immediately if you have any cough/fever or running nose

Let's conquer the virus by ensuring our safety