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**Subject: - Healthcare- COVID-19 Warriors Team.**

✓ Respected Dr. Harsh Vardhan Ji,

Being a Dental Surgeon, I am forwarding a request made by Dr. Robin Malik, National Secretary DENTAL SURGEON ASSOCIATION OF INDIA to consider on urgent basis to mitigate COVID-19- Crisis (Enclosed). As Dental Fraternity who are very eager to render their services to the Govt. in order to prevent CORONA Virus COVID-19 Pandemic through proper uses of Artificial Intelligence & machine learning.

The role of Young Dental Surgeons, Oral Medicine experts and Postgraduate specialists is of paramount importance as for CORONA testing and need to take collect nasal swab or an oropharyngeal (OP) specimen. Dental fraternity doctors BDS and MDS are at par and equivalent in their diagnostic and clinical skills like MBBS doctors.

More than 1100+ Young Dental Surgeons are ready to volunteer their services in this hour of Global Crisis. Therefore, I request you please to consider the request as earliest as the possible at large public interest so that they can be roped immediately in the hour of need of the country.

✓ Thanking you & regards.

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Arvind Sharma

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✓ Cc:- Sh. Abhinav Gupta PS/HM/GOI for information.