MINUTES OF THE MEETING CHAIRED BY CHIEF SECRETARY, GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR ON 22nd AUGUST, 2020 AT 3.00 PM IN HIS OFFICE ROOM TO REVIEW HOSPITALIZATION OF COVID-19 POSITIVE PERSONS WITH SEVERE AILMENTS

List of participants present is at Annexure.

1. Chief Secretary welcomed all participants present and expressed the need to ensure that suitable medical care is given in time to each COVID positive person having severe ailments. There was discussion about issues faced in handling COVID positive persons in hospitals, including the increased expenses due to use of PPE, face masks, etc.

2. It was noted that to assist all hospitals to continue medical services, the COVID testing kits, especially Rapid Antigen Kits, were made available by State Government to all hospitals making a request. Guidelines for this was issued by Directorate of Health Services vide memo No.01/DOC/COVID-19/DHS-2020 dated 17.8.2020. Also, Secretariat Health Department had issued a Memo No.31/8/2020-M(Pt.VI) dated 19.8.2020 giving clear instructions that under no circumstance should a patient (even if tested COVID positive) should be left unattended by any health care facility. Any violation would be viewed seriously and action under the Manipur Nursing Homes & Clinics Registration Act 1992 and the Disaster Management Act 2005 maybe initiated.

3. After detailed discussions, the following points were agreed:

   a) Private health care facilities will earmark a floor or block where COVID positive persons can be kept in isolation and also ensure that conservative or urgent surgical procedures are undertaken as per condition of the patient.

   b) Patients requiring ICU care will be transferred to RIMS or JNIMS by the private health care facility in their ambulance after confirming availability of beds. The contact persons were decided in the emergency meeting held in Directorate of Health Services and notified in memo dated 22.8.2020. Copy is attached for ready reference.

   c) State government will provide PPE, face masks, testing kits, etc for the private health care facilities after it is confirmed to the Director of Health Services of the COVID isolation/Treatment/Dialysis arrangements made by
the health care facility. State government also offers to provide ventilators (on loan basis) to the private health care facility for COVID positive persons.

d) In response to a query, it was confirmed that all health care workers involved in covid care would be covered by the Government of India’s life insurance scheme. A separate clarification would be issued by Health Department.

e) One participant mentioned the pending issue of setting up a new Common Treatment Facility for BMW. Noting that this was an urgent matter to comply with NGT orders, it was agreed that CS would convene a meeting with all concerned departments/agencies.

Meeting ended with thanks from the chair.

(Dr. Rajesh Kumar)
Chief Secretary
Government of Manipur

No. 31/64/2020-M:

Imphal, 24th August, 2020

Copy to:

1. Secretary to Hon’ble Chief Minister, Manipur
2. PPS to Hon’ble Minister (Health & FW), Manipur
3. S.O to Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur
4. Principal Secretary (Health & FW), Government of Manipur
5. Director of Health Services, Manipur
6. Director/MS, RIMS, Imphal
7. Director/MS, JNIMS, Imphal.
8. All private health care facilities, Manipur.

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Principal Secretary
Government of Manipur
List of participants

1. Principal Secretary (Health & FW), Government of Manipur.
2. Dr K. Rajo, Director of Health Services
3. Dr Santa Singh, Dir RIMS
4. Dr Th. Bhimo Singh, Dir JNIMS
5. Dr Ch Arunkumar, MS RIMS
6. Dr T. Rajen MS JNIMS
7. Dr Lokeshwor, Addl MS JNIMS
8. Dr Palin, MD Shija Hospital
9. Dr Jugindro, Shija Hospital
10. Shri Rajen Singh, MD Raj Medicity Hospital
11. Dr Ibotombi Sharma, Raj Medicity Hospital
12. Dr. M. Chandramani Singh, City Hospital.
Emergency Meeting Resolutions on the Admission of COVID patients

Resolutions taken in the emergency meeting of the Covid Admission Committee and Medical Superintendents of the RIMS, JNIMS and Shija Hospital at the Health Directorate under the chairmanship of Director of Health Services on the 21st August 2020 in the o/o the Additional Director (MC).

1. Private health facilities, upon detection of COVID positive patients in the emergency room /OPDs/wards, will not immediately refer the patients to the RIMS or JNIMS. They (patients) will be referred to the JNIMS /RIMS only when there are vacant beds and in the meantime necessary conservative / surgical management of the patients will be provided at the Pvt. health facilities concerned.

2. The number of beds in the COVID isolation wards of the RIMS & JNIMS be increased commensurate with the expected/projected number of active cases which are likely to figure at the end of October 2020 (RIMS & JNIMS Authority, GOV).

3. A software will be developed to provide real-time accuracy, reliability & transparency on the COVID 19 positive cases (both asymptomatic and symptomatic) regarding their number, location, admission, ICU bed occupation, discharge, mortality,(Action MS Shija & AD(MC) Directorate).

4. Personal Protective Equipments for positive symptomatic cases undergoing treatment at the private Health facilities to be provided by the Govt. of Manipur through the Health Department.

5. Insurance Schemes applicable to the frontline COVID workers of the State Govt. in case of death due to Covid, be extended to the frontline workers of the Pvt. Hospitals (proposal to be submitted by the Health Directorate to the Govt.of Manipur).

6. The 1st communication from the districts (CMOs,MSs and CCCs) will be through
   (i):- Dr. Roshan DD, contact no.9436027779 (IE,Jiribam, Bishnupur, CCP, Pherzawl, Senapati, Kangpokpi, Tengnoupal).
   (ii):- Dr. Thoinao DD, contact no.9436207010 (IW,Thoubal, Kakching, Ukhrul, Kamjong, Tamenglong, Noney, Chandel).
   (iii):- for Private hospitals, the 1st contact will be Dr. Nandakeshor JD,FW (contact no.8575441589).
   (iv):- for Military and Paramilitary forces, the 1st contact will be Dr. Shyamsunder (AD, MC).
   (v):- communication on the availability of the vacancies at the RIMS will be through Dr. Shyamsunder (contact no.9612159814) and Dr. Sucheta JD (contact no. 9862166615) for the JNIMS respectively.

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