



ABSTRACT

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State Health Society – Tamil Nadu – National Rural Health Mission – AYUSH Clinics established in Primary Health Centres under National Rural Health Mission – Modification of working days from three full days a week to six days of morning session - Modification to the Government Orders – Orders - Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (EAP II-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms.) No.220

Dated: 03.10.2013

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Read:

1. G.O(Ms).No.268, H&FW (EAPII-2) Dept, dated 1.9.2009.
2. G.O(Ms).No.339, H&FW (EAPII-2) Dept, dated 1.12.2010
3. From the Commissioner Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy letter No.15388/E1/ 2/ 2011 dated: 14.8.2012.
4. From the Mission Director, State Health Society Lr.No.694/ P7/SHS/ 2010, dated 21.4.2013 and 31.07.2013

ORDER:

The Government in G.O (Ms). No.268, Health and Family Welfare (EAPII-2) Department, dated 1.9.2009 issued orders for the establishment of AYUSH Clinics in 300 Primary Health Centes (PHCs). In G.O (Ms).No.339, Health and Family Welfare (EAPII-2) Department, dated 1.12.2010, orders were issued for opening of new AYUSH Clinics in another 144 PHCs and Naturopathy Maternity Clinics in 31 PHCs with one AYUSH Doctor, one Pharmacist and one Multipurpose Worker on hiring charges basis to provide outreach and quality of health delivery in rural areas. In the above Government Orders, it was ordered that AYUSH clinics may be conducted for six hours in one session and three session in a week. The remuneration was fixed at Rs.1000/- per session for AYUSH Doctor, Rs.750/- per session for qualified AYUSH Pharmacist, Rs.500/- per session for AYUSH Pharmacist not trained but with essential qualification, Rs.300/- per session for Multipurpose Worker and Rs.375/- per session for Therapeutic Assistant (Female).

2) The Commissioner, Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy in his letter 3rd read above has stated that one AYUSH Doctor in the name of Consultant and one AYUSH Pharmacist in the name of Dispenser to each AYUSH Clinic in PHCs under NRHM scheme have been engaged duly following the conditions laid down in the above orders and the District Siddha Medical Officers have appointed Multipurpose Workers for the NRHM clinics functioning under their control. The working days of six hours per session for three sessions per week has been fixed in the G.O. Ms. No.268, Health and

Family Welfare Department dated 01.09.2009. The three Sessions of six hours each per week has been fixed as alternative days. i.e. Monday, Wednesday and Friday in a week as per the terms and conditions of the appointment of consultants. The posts of AYUSH Consultants were filled up by the Commissionerate of Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy by obtaining list of AYUSH Graduates / Diploma holders registered with the Professional and Executive Employment Exchange, Chennai and duly following the rule of reservation. The candidates were posted throughout the State and most of the candidates were posted in other districts also.

3) The Commissioner has also stated that the Consultants in Indian System of Medicine Wings under NRHM have been posted throughout the State and there is generally poor arrival of out-patients for evening OP in the Indian System of Medicine in National Rural Health Mission Wings, and these National Rural Health Mission Wings of ISM are functioning in the premises of PHC Modern Medicine i.e. Allopathy. There is no evening OP Department in the PHCs of Allopathy side. Hence, the NRHM Consultants should be directed to work six days a week at three hour per in the Morning Session only at half of the existing rate of the full Rs.1000/- per day of six hour for the optimum benefit of the public. The BDS Graduates recently appointed in NRHM (Dental Wings) have been given a work schedule of half a day (i.e. three hour) basis only during morning OP hours and they have been appointed as Dental Consultant to work for six days in a week to enable them to practice in their clinics in the Afternoons. There is a Committee in the district levels headed by the District Collector to select and engage the Medical Officers under NRHM Scheme in Allopathy side from the district itself and therefore the Medical Consultants from the districts attend the duty for six days a week consisting of half session per day of morning OP only. The Commissioner has proposed to change the working hours of AYUSH Wings functioning under NRHM Scheme in the PHCs as six days in a week for three hours a day from Monday to Saturday with the 50% of the hiring charges already fixed by the Government.

4) The Mission Director State Health Society in his letter dated 21.4.2013, when consulted on the above proposal of the Commissioner, Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy has stated that the AYUSH Clinics and AYUSH Maternity Clinics had been manned with Consultants, Dispensers and Therapeutic Assistants and Multipurpose Workers on hiring basis at the hiring charges indicated below and the AYUSH Clinics are functioning now for three alternative days in a week with six hours a day, as per the above Government Orders.

S. No.	Name of Post	No. of days per week and Duration of time	Rate of Hiring Charges / Sessions (Rs.)
1.	AYUSH Doctor	3 days / week 6 hours / day	Rs.1000/-
2.	AYUSH Pharmacist (Qualified)	3 days / week 6 hours / day	Rs. 750/-
3.	AYUSH Pharmacist (Not trained but with SSLC Qualification)	3 days / week 6 hours / day	Rs. 500/-
4	Multipurpose Workers	3 days / week 6 hours / day	Rs. 300/-
5	Therapeutic Assistant (Female)	3 days / week 6 hours / day	Rs. 375/-

He has also stated that the AYUSH Clinics established under NHRM are situated in PHCs located in rural area and the number of patients coming for treatment in the evening OP session is comparatively low. The rural people come for treatment according to their convenience, usually in the morning OP sessions, as they have to tend for their livelihood. Further it proves very difficult to keep the clinics closed on alternative days. Hence, for the benefit of rural public it has been decided to increase the no of days of AYUSH clinics from three days to 6 days in a week. But to decrease clinic duration to 4 hours in a day for morning OP sessions only, instead of 6 hours a day in morning and evening OP sessions, a detailed proposal had been included in PIP 2013-14 for enhancing the hiring charges of AYUSH Medical Officers and Para Medical Staff. The Mission Director has stated further in his letter dated 31.07.2013 that the details of the remuneration for AYUSH Consultants and other Paramedical Staff as approved in the ROP 2013-14 are furnished below:

S. No	Budget activity	No.of days/week & duration of time	Rate of Hiring Charges proposed for the year 2013-14. Rs.	Rate of Hiring Charges approved for the year 2013-14 Rs.
1.	AYUSH Doctor	4hours/session for sessions/ week	800	800
2.	AYUSH Pharmacist	4hours/session for sessions/week	400	375
3.	AYUSH Pharmacist (Trained but with SSLC qualification)	4hours/session for sessions/ week	275	-
4.	Therapeutic Assistant	4hours/session for sessions/ week	200	187.5
5.	Multipurpose Workers	4hours/session for sessions/ week	175	150

Considering the above fact, it has been decided to press the proposed hiring charges of Paramedical Staff of AYUSH in the supplementary PIP 2013-14. He has requested necessary Government Orders as proposed by the Commissioner, Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy.

5) The Government after careful consideration has decided to accept the proposals of the Commissioner, Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy and the Mission Director, State Health Society. They accordingly direct that the AYUSH clinics, established in the PHCs as per G.O (Ms).No.268, H&FW (EAPII-2) Dept, dated 1.9.2009, and G.O(Ms).No.339, H&FW (EAPII-2) Dept, dated 1.12.2010 shall function six days a week from Monday to Saturday with four hours duration in the morning OP session per day as approved by the Government of India in the ROP 2013-14. The AYUSH Consultant shall be paid Rs.800/- per session per day as approved by the Government of India in the ROP 2013-14. The other Paramedical staff shall be paid hiring charges at the existing rates. The Mission Director, State Health Society is permitted to enhance the hiring charges for the Paramedical staff and Multipurpose Workers if Government of India gives its approval

in the supplementary PIP 2013-14 to the enhancement. The entire expenditure shall be met from the NRHM funds. The Commissioner, Indian Medicine and Homoeopathy is requested to ensure that the revised working of the AYUSH Clinics in the PHCs / GHs implemented without deviation.

6) This orders issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide Its U.O.280/JS(Dr.PU)/H-I/2013, dated 13.09.2013.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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