

# GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

#### **Abstract**

Health and Family Welfare Department - Medical Education Service - Academic - Medico legal responsibilities to Post Graduate Residents - Clarified - Orders Issued

# **HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (S) DEPARTMENT**

#### GO(MS)No.43/2010/H&FWD

### Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 01.02.2010

Read: 1. G.O (MS) No.20/2009/H&FWD dated 13.01.2009.

- 2. G.O (MS) No.61/2009/H&FWD dated 03.03.2009
- 3. G.O (MS) No.05/2010/H&FWD dated 07.01.2010.

#### **ORDER**

The medico legal responsibilities of the Post Graduate Residents have been defined as per the Government Order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above. As per this order they are exempted from the medico legal duties, which requires court appearances.

But later the Post Graduate Residents were assigned medico legal responsibilities equal to that of Assistant Professors as per Government Order read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above as part of the strengthening of auxiliary service in collegiate hospitals. But it is noticed that if the Post Graduate Residents are given medico legal responsibilities they have to appear courts frequently and it will affect their academic activities. Moreover it is also noticed that, on the strength of Government Order 3<sup>rd</sup> above the senior faculty are abstaining from medico legal duties and have assigned all the duties to the Post Graduate Residents.

In the circumstances, it is clarified that medico legal responsibilities of the Post Graduate Residents shall be as per the Government order read as 2<sup>nd</sup> paper above. The residents will not be assigned treatment cases, which have legal implications requiring court appearances.

The Government Order read as 3<sup>rd</sup> paper above is modified to the above extent.

### By Order of the Governor

K. ANIL KUMAR Under Secretary to Government

To

The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram

The Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram

The Mission Director, NRHM, Thiruvananthapuram

The Principals, All Government Medical Colleges

The Superintendents, All Medical College Hospitals

The Director of Public Relations, Thiruvananthapuram

The Accountant General (A&E/Audit), Thiruvananthapuram

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