



GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department – Medical Education Service – Delegation of Powers to the Principals of Government Medical Colleges - Orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (S) DEPARTMENT

GO (MS) No. 505 /2010 /H&FWD Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 28.07 .2010

Read:- 1. GO (P) No. 548/2008/H&FWD dated 25.10.2008
2. Letter No. J3/9858/2010/DME dated 08.07.2010 from the Director of Medical Education

ORDER

As per the Government Order read above, Medical Collegiate Hospitals were bifurcated from the Director of Health Services and placed under the control of the Director of Medical Education. Therefore powers and duties for the running of these hospitals handled by the Director of Health Services were also given to the Director of Medical Education. Accordingly the work load has been increased in the office of the Director of Medical education and hence the Director of Medical Education has suggested to delegate some Academic powers now vested with the Director of Medical Education to the Principals of Government Medical Colleges in the state. The matter was discussed in the meeting of the Principals held on 25.06.2010. On the basis of the discussion, the Director of Medical Education has forwarded a proposal for consideration of the Government. Government have examined the proposal in detail and are pleased to delegate the following powers to the Principals of the Government Medical Colleges.

- 1) Inspection with regard to starting of new Educational institutions (Medical / Dental/Nursing/ Pharmacy/ Paramedical).
- 2) Inspection with regard to starting of new courses (Medical / Dental/Nursing/ Pharmacy/ Paramedical).
- 3) Periodical Inspection of Self Financing Institutions
- 4) Conduct of exams for various paramedical courses
- 5) Admission to various medical courses.

Delegation of Powers for starting new Institutions / Courses:

At present for issuing No Objection Certificate by Government for starting new Medical / Dental/ Nursing/ Pharmacy/ Paramedical Institutions and courses, a preliminary and technical level inspection is needed. For this purpose government are used to forward application to the Director of Medical Education for conducting inspection and to submit the report. The Director of Medical Education in turn forward the same to the Principals of Medical Colleges for conducting the inspection and for furnishing the reports. The reports furnished by the Principals forwarded to Government by the Director of Medical Education. As such the Director of Medical Education has no actual role in this regard. This procedure creates much delay in processing cases. In the circumstances this power has been delegated

to the Principals of Government Medical Colleges. For this purpose 14 districts in the state are divided into five zones and each zone shall be under the control of the Principal of Government Medical Colleges concerned for conducting Inspection for starting new Institution / new courses.

Zone 1. (Thiruvananthapuram Zone)

Government Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram – Districts Thiruvananthapuram and Kollam.

Zone 2. (Alappuzha Zone)

Government Medical College, Alappuzha – Districts of Alappuzha and Ernakulam

Zone 3. (Kottayam Zone)

Government Medical College, Kottayam – Districts of Kottayam, Pathanamthitta & Idukki

Zone 4. (Thrissur Zone)

Government Medical College, Thrissur – Districts of Thrissur, Palakkad and Malappuram

Zone 5. (Kozhikode Zone)

Government Medical College, Kozhikode – Districts of Kozhikode, Wayanad, Kannur and Kasargod.

In each zone the Principals shall constitute an expert team for conducting inspections. The team shall include the specialists in the concerned field, that is from Medical / Dental/ Nursing/ Pharmacy / Paramedical side depending on the course /institution requested. The Vice Principal or a senior faculty shall be appointed as the co-ordinator of the team. Applications for starting new institutions / new courses in each zone shall be forwarded to the Principals concerned for conducting inspections and furnishing report.

Admission to various nominees

Seats are reserved for Degree and Post Graduate Medical courses of Central Government / North East / Andaman- Nicobar & Lakshadweep etc. As per the allotment procedure adopted by the Director General of Health Services, the nominees from the above said categories are directly allotted a particular Government College and they need to have taken admission in that College. The Director of Medical Education has no role into this. But the present practice is that these nominees were reported before the Director of Medical Education and then sent to the concerned colleges. This creates a lot of difficulties to the students concerned (nominees). Hence the Principals shall admit these nominees directly on production of admission card from the Director General of Health Services.

Conduct of Examinations

Director of Medical Education is conducting examinations for 12 Paramedical Diploma courses in various institutions including self financing institutions in the state. Question paper setting, Printing etc. are now being done confidentially by the Director of Medical Education and this shall be continued. But the five Government Medical Colleges in the state is declared as Regional Centres for conducting of Theory Examinations and valuation of answer papers of Paramedical Diploma courses. For this purpose 14 districts are divided as five zones as follows:

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The Principal of Government Medical Colleges of each zone shall conduct Theory Examination of Paramedical Diploma courses and value the papers in the institution with in the zones and forward to the Director of Medical Education for further action. The Director of Medical Education shall issue detailed guidelines in this regard if necessary.

(By Order of the Governor)
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Joint Secretary to Government

To

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