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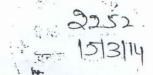
NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. 437/6/INST/2014-CC&BE

Dated: 14th March 2014

To

- The Chief Secretaries to the Governments of all States and Union Territories
- The Chief Electoral Officers of all States and Union Territories



Sub: General Elections- Enforcement of the Model Code of Conduct-reg.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to the Commission's letter No. 437/6/2009-CC&BE, dated 5th March, 2009, on the subject cited above, whereby the Commission issued guidelines regarding implementation/processing of the various projects, schemes, rural development programmes etc. by the Central/State Governments.

As per para 9(b) of the aforesaid letter, dated 5th March, 2009, payment directly to the hospitals from CM's/PM's Relief Fund, in lieu of direct cash payment to individual patients (beneficiaries) will be permissible without reference to the Commission, on the work that are necessitated due to man-made or natural calamities.

It has come to the notice of the Commission that medical assistance under PM's/CM's Relief Fund is also released for various treatment/operation, like heart surgery, kidney transplantation, cancer treatment etc. which are time bound in nature and can't be postponed without endangering patient's health.

The Commission invariably takes a humanitarian view on the release of PM's/CM's Relief Fund for the treatment/operation purpose and it has no objection to the release of PM's/CM's Relief Fund for the medical treatments, provided selection of beneficiaries/patients are done by the concerned Government Officials/Head of the concerned Private Hospitals.

The above instruction of the Commission may kindly be communicated to all concerned.

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Yours faithfully,

(K. AJAY KUMAR) PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

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Copy along with a copy Commission's aforesaid letter is forwarded to:-

- 1. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 2. Private Secretaries to the Hon'ble Cabinet Ministers, Himachal Pradesh Government, Shimla.
- 3. The Secretary, Vidhan Sabha for information of Hon'ble Speaker & Deputy Speaker, Himachal Pradesh Vidhan Sabha.
- 4. The Chairman/Managing Director of all Boards/Corporation/Undertaking, Himachal Pradesh.
- The Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla-5/ Dr. Y.S. Parmar Horticulture and Forestry University, Nauni, Solan/Chaudhary Sarvan Kumar Agriculture University, Palampur.
- All Hon'ble Members of Parliament/MLAs Himachal Pradesh.
- 7. All Chairmen, Zila Parishad, Himachal Pradesh.
- 8. The Mayor/Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Shimla.
- 9. The Director, Information and Public Relations, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.
- 10. All Returning/ Assistant Returning Officers in Himachal Pradesh.
- 11. All recognized and unrecognized Political Parties, Himachal Pradesh.
- 12. All Heads of Departments/Offices of Central Government, Himachal Pradesh.

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Chief Electoral Officer, Himachal Pradesh

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