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MEMORANDUM

Sub: Decentralized Selection of Private Partners for Establishment of Diagnostic Facilities under Public Private Partnerships (PPP) in Rural Hospitals / upgraded Block Primary Health Centres.

A policy decision has been in place since 2004 to establish Diagnostic Facilities in all Rural Hospitals and upgraded Block Primary Health Centres (BPHCs) under Public Private Partnership (PPP). Accordingly, administrative approval was accorded to set up Diagnostic Facilities under PPP in total number of 155 RHs / BPHCs from time to time since April 2004.

However, till December, 2009, Diagnostic Facilities in 58 RHs / BPHCs could be set up and few others are expected to start functioning shortly. Large number of selected private parties have failed to establish such facilities in the remaining Rural Hospitals / BPHCs for which administrative approval was accorded time to time and for this reason, the offers given to those selected private parties which have failed to set up the facilities are being revoked.

Since the Government is committed to establish Diagnostic Facilities in all the Rural Hospitals and upgraded BPHCs, it is considered necessary to undertake afresh the process of selection of private parties in all the remaining Rural Hospitals / upgraded BPHCs immediately.

Though the process of selection of private parties was earlier centrally handled by the Department, it is now decided that henceforth District Health and Family Welfare Samiti will undertake the process of selection of private parties to establish Diagnostic Facilities under PPP in the selected RHs / BPHCs. The decentralized selection process is expected to ensure more involvement of the district authority in the implementation of the Scheme of Diagnostic Services under PPP.

Accordingly, the Scheme of Establishing Diagnostic Services in BPHCs / RHs under PPP has been modified to enable the District Health and Family Welfare Samiti to select private parties. For this purpose, the Selection Criteria for the private parties has been clearly defined in Schedule-VII in the Scheme. The Selection Committee to be constituted by the District Health and Family Welfare Samiti for selection of private parties has also been specified in paragraph 13.3 of the Scheme. It shall be ensured that selection of private parties is based strictly on the Selection Criteria as referred to above. A copy of the Scheme of Establishing Diagnostic Services in BPHCs / RHs under PPP as modified is enclosed.

However, the notice inviting applications from the private parties / NGOs etc. will be issued on the newspapers centrally from the Department Headquarter. The district authority may also insert advertisement in the local newspapers after publication of the notice in leading newspapers.

To facilitate the Department to publish notice inviting applications from private parties, the districts shall identify the health facilities (RH / BPHC) where the diagnostic facilities under PPP are proposed to be set up. While identifying such health facilities, ready availability of built up space has to be ensured. The list of identified RHs / upgraded BPHCs shall be furnished by the districts to the Department within 15 days from the date of issue of this Memorandum to enable publication of notice by the Department at the earliest.

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