PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE MISSION DIRECTOR, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

Present: Dr. Vinay Goyal I A S

Sub:- Nirnaya Hub & Spoke Lab Network - Rollout of Nirnaya Hub and Spoke Lab Network in NUHM Institutions - Directions for Implementation - Orders Issued.

ORDER NO: NHM/5822/UH(STATE M&E CONSULTANT)/2025/SPMSU,Dated, 22.08.2025

Read:- (1) GO(P) No.10/2021/P&EA dated 01.08.2021

- (2)GO(Rt)No 2615/2021-H&FWD dated 23.11.2021
- (3) GO(Rt)No 221/2022/H&FWD dated 25.01.2022
- (4) GO(Rt)No 526/2022-H&FWD dated 08.03.2022
- (5) GO(Rt)No-1668-2023-H&FWD dated 11.07.2023
- (6) Orders of the DHS No. DHS/3873/2024-MSP 2 dated 27.08.2025 and 28.05.2025
- (7) Decisions Taken in the State Level Review Meeting on Nirnaya roll out chaired by the State Mission Director, NHM on 23/07/2025

Pursuant to the government orders referred as (1) to (5) above, the communications from the DHS (read 6 above) and the decisions taken at the State Level Meeting read (7) above, it is hereby directed that Nirnaya Hub & Spoke Lab Network shall be expanded to all NUHM institutions (Urban Primary Health Centres, Urban Community Health Centres and Urban Health & Wellness Centres) forthwith. Following directives are issued for expansion of the hub and spoke lab network to NUHM institutions.

- 1. All UPHCs, UCHCs, and UHWCs are to be part of Nirnaya Hub & Spoke network as spokes.
- 2. As and when adequate diagnostics as specified for CHCs is available, UCHCs shall function as primary hubs for urban areas.
- 3. All UPHCs, UCHCs and UHWCs must have prepaid accounts in IndiaPost for operationalisation of the system as per existing guidelines.
- 4. Funds for opening prepaid accounts may be met from Scheme 5 Diagnostics (urban) or Scheme 6 (operational expenses of UPHC/UHWC) as available.
- District Program Managers and Aardram Nodal Officers shall coordinate with IndiaPost to facilitate the setting up of prepaid accounts and necessary logistics for the hub and spoke network.
- 6. Hub institutions shall process samples sent from UPHCs, UCHCs and UHWCs and provide results *free-of-charge* as NUHM institutions follow Free Diagnostics scheme.
- 7. Hub institutions other than Integrated Public Health Laboratories may utilize funds from XV Finance Commission Health Grants Scheme 5 or Scheme 3 (as applicable depending on physical location of hub institution urban/rural) for strengthening of diagnostics including procurement of necessary reagents and consumables required to process samples sent from NUHM institutions at zero cost.
- 8. Integrated Public Health Laboratories which function as hubs under Nirnaya Hub and Spoke Network may utilize funds from <u>PM-ABHIM scheme (recurring costs for Integrated Public Health Laboratories)</u> for strengthening diagnostics including procurement of necessary reagents and consumables required to process samples sent from NUHM institutions at zero cost. Funds required for the same shall be allocated to these institutions by the District Program Managers concerned.

To

- 1) All District Medical Officers (Health) and
- 2) All District Programme Managers, NHM

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- 1. Nodal Officer, Hub and Spoke Model Diagnostics
- 2. Aadram Nodal Officers, All districts
- 3. Joint Coordinator, Aardram Mission
- 4. State Urban Health Manager, NUHM

Approval Valid

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