PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATE MISSION DIRECTOR, NATIONAL HEALTH MISSION, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM
(Present: DR. RENU RAJ IAS)

Sub : Condemnation of Unserviceable Hospital Equipment, Furniture, Electrical and Electronic Equipment in Urban Primary Health Centres, Urban Community Health Centres and Urban Health and Wellness Centres – instructions - Orders Issued

Read : 1) G.O(Ms) No.63/2013//H&FWD dated 23/02/2013
2) G.O(Ms) No.27/2018/ITD dated 27/18/2018

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There are 102 Urban Primary Health Centres (UPHCs) functioning in 58 important cities of the state and one Urban Community Health Centre (UCHCs) each in Thiruvananthapuram and Ernakulam cities under National Urban Health Mission (NUHM). Besides these, 363/380 Urban Health and Wellness Centres (U-HWCs) are also established across all ULBs in the State including small towns availing the tied grants under the Fifteenth Central Finance Commission. District Programme Units have reported that a considerable number of unserviceable hospital equipment, furniture, electrical and electronic equipment are lying in these institutions requiring lot of space and creating a public hazard. These items are not likely to be used again in future. They have also requested to issue orders for the condemnation of these items following a standard procedure similar to that being followed in primary care health facilities under DHS.

Hence, the following guidelines are hereby issued for the condemnation of unserviceable hospital equipment, furniture, electrical and electronics equipment lying in Urban Primary Health Centres, Urban Community Health Centres and Urban Health and Wellness Centres.

The Medical Officers in charge of all UPHCs, UCHCs and U-HWCs shall be personally responsible for ensuring that the meetings of the Condemnation Committee are convened at least once in every six months, and that all items recommended for condemnation are disposed of within the prescribed time limit. The disposal of such items shall be completed within two months where re-auction is not required and within three months where re-auction is required

1. There shall be condemnation committees for with chairman as District Medical Officer
   a. Urban Primary Health Centres
   b. Urban Community Health Centres and
   c. Urban Health and Wellness Centres

2. The Constituent Members of the Condemnation Committee are

Urban Primary Health Centre (UPHC)

- District Programme Manager, National Health Mission (Chairperson)
- District Store Verification Officer
- Medical Officer in charge of the UPHC (Convener)
- One Pharmacist of the UPHC
- One Staff Nurse of the UPHC
- One Technical Expert (in case of Mechanical, Electro mechanical,electrical, medical, electronic equipment and instruments and hospital furniture which do not have fixed life period or beyond the scope of economical repairs but before the date of expiry of life period)

Urban Community Health Centre (UCHC)

- District Programme Manager, National Health Mission (Chairperson)
- District Store Verification Officer
- Medical Officer in charge of the UCHC (Convener)
- One Pharmacist of the UCHC
- One Staff Nurse of the UCHC
- One Technical Expert (in case of Mechanical, Electro mechanical,electrical, medical, electronic equipment and instruments and hospital furniture which do not have fixed life period or beyond the scope of economical repairs but before the date of expiry of life period)

Urban Health and Wellness Centre (U-HWC) Level

- District Programme Manager, National Health Mission (Chairperson)
- District Store Verification Officer
- Medical Officer in charge of the UPHC having administrative control over the U-HWC (If applicable)
- Medical Officer in charge of the U-HWC (Convener)
- Pharmacist of the U-HWC
- One Staff Nurse of the U-HWC
- One Technical Expert (in case of Mechanical, Electro mechanical,electrical, medical, electronic equipment and instruments and hospital furniture which do not have fixed life period or beyond the scope of economical repairs but before the date of expiry of life period)

The Technical Experts shall be included only in the case of Mechanical, Electromechanical, electrical, medical, electronic equipment and instruments and hospital furniture which do not have fixed life period or beyond the scope of economical repairs but before the date of expiry of life period.
The experts for all institutions shall be as specified below

Type of equipment/instrument/furniture	Technical Expert
Mechanical and Hospital furniture	Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Government Engineering College / Government Polytechnic College or her/his nominee
Electro Mechanical	Head of the Department of Mechanical Engineering of Government Engineering College / Government Polytechnic College or her/his nominee
Electrical	Head of the Department of Electrical Engineering of Government Engineering College/Government Polytechnic College or her/his nominee.
Medical /electronics	Head of the Department of Electronic Engineering of Government Engineering College / Government Polytechnic College or her/his nominee

The above committees will have full power:

- To dispose all articles which are life expired after they are surveyed and approved by the committee as fit for condemnation without orders from higher authorities.
- To fix upset value /reserve price and to declare the articles as condemned after they are surveyed, of articles which do not have fixed life period or beyond the scope of economical repairs but before the date of expiry of life period.

The Heads of Institutions will have full power:

- To dispose of the condemned articles in public auction and to confirm the bid if the quoted rate is upto 75 per cent of the upset value/reserve price. If the 75 per cent of the upset value is not received, Heads will have power to dispose of items in re-auction when up to 50 per cent of the upset value may be accepted. If this is also not acceptable, there will be no lower limit on the level up to which the quoted rate can be accepted.
- To confirm the bid of the condemned articles in public auction of next lower-level institutions(U-HWCs), if the bid amount is between 50 per cent and 75 per cent of the upset value/reserve price provided that a re-auction may not fetch a higher bid and the same shall be recorded as per rules in force.
- If the bid amount is less than 50 per cent of the upset value/reserve price, the procedure for re-auction must be adopted.
- If the articles were received by public contribution, or were purchased by government money, such auction amount shall be remitted to the Treasury concerned. If it is purchased originally by the hospital management committee/ hospital management committee fund, that auction money to be remitted to such fund.

All heads of institutions shall ensure that the condemnation and disposal of unserviceable and beyond the scope of economical repair equipment, instruments, furniture, consumable articles etc., are done atleast once in every six months. The process shall be completed on 30th June and 31st December every year.The competent audit committees will not hold the Head of Institutions liable for any of the value fixed by the committee mentioned above. They will also not be held accountable for disposing of the articles as directed above.

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To All District Programme Managers
All UPHCs/UCHCs/UHWCs