

ANDHRA PRADESH

Summary

- **Antodaya Anna Yojana:** Inclusion of HIV positive people to avail the benefit under Antodaya Anna Yojana.
- **Financial Assistance:** Provision of financial assistance to HIV positive patients.
- **Travel Scheme:** Provision of travel scheme including free Bus Pass & Boat Pass for the PLHIV.
- **Stigma & discrimination:** Replacement of cause of death from 'HIV/AIDS' to 'immune-deficiency' in the death certificate.

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH

ABSTRACT

Civil Supplies – Extending the benefits of Antyodaya Anna Yojana (AAY) Scheme under Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) to HIV positive persons – Orders issued.

CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (CS-I) DEPARTMENT

G.O. Ms. No. 43

Date: 23 -07-2009

Read the following:

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1. CCS. Ref. No. PDS.II (1)/891/2000, Dtd: 27.01.2001.
 2. Govt Memo. No 2193/CS.I(1)/2003, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies (CS-I) Dept, Dtd: 02.07.2003.
 3. CCS. D.O. Lr. No. PDS.II(1)/1209/2004, Dtd: 05.08.2004.
 4. G.O.Ms.No.66, Consumer Affairs, Food and Civil Supplies (CS-I) Dept, Dtd: 15.06.2005.
 5. G.O.Ms.No.66, CA,F & CS (CS.I) Dept, Dtd:15.6.2005.
 6. G.O. Rt.No. 137, CA,F & CS (CS.I) Dept,Dtd: 07.11.2007.
 7. Lr. No. 13 (15) / 2009 – PD – III, Dtd: 03.06.2009 of the Under Secretary, Govt of India , Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution, Dept of Food and Public Distribution, New Delhi.

ORDER:

Government of India have allotted a target of 15,57,800 under Antyodaya Anna Yojana Scheme duly indicating the eligibility criteria to be followed for selection of beneficiaries vide references 1st to 5th read above.

2. Accordingly, 15,57,800 families were selected under Antyodaya Anna Yojana Scheme as allotted by the Government of India from time to time and a quantity of 54524 Mts of rice @ 35 Kgs per each family @ Rs.3/- per kg, is allotted by the GOI for distribution to the families covered under the Scheme. However, in Andhra Pradesh State, 35 kgs of rice is distributed to AAY families @ Rs.2.00 per kg., on par with the BPL families, duly incurring the difference cost as subsidy.

3. In the reference 7th read above, the Under Secretary to Govt. of India , Ministry of Consumer Affairs , Food and Public Distribution, Dept. of Food and Public Distribution, New Delhi has informed that the Hon'ble Supreme Court has passed Orders in Writ Petition (Civil) No.535/1998, (PIL) filed by the social activists and Persons Living with HIV/AIDS (PLHA) and relevant extracts of the Order, Dtd: 26.03.09 are as follows :

“Learned counsel appearing for the petitioner stated that many of these patients

are living Below the Poverty Line and so they should be provided with Antyodaya Anna Yojana card to get food supply from PDS stores and so also some of these patients have to visit the distant hospitals regularly and therefore they should be issued free passes in public transport system. We hope that HIV/AIDS patients would get the proper line of treatment.”

4. The Under Secretary to the Govt of India has requested to review the existing list of AAY families, delete ineligible AAY families there from and include all eligible BPL families of HIV positive persons in the AAY list on priority, against the criteria mentioned in para 2(b) and 2(c) of the guidelines for identification of AAY families under Antyodaya Anna Yojana.

5. Therefore, all the Collectors & CRO, Hyderabad are hereby instructed to review the existing list of AAY families in the district, delete ineligible AAY families, if any and include all eligible BPL families of HIV positive persons in the AAY priority, against the criteria mentioned in para II and III of the Annexure- II of the guidelines communicated for identification of AAY families under Anthyodaya Anna Yojana, vide G.O.Ms.No.66, C.A. F & CS (CS.I) Dept, Dtd: 15.06.05, within the targets assigned to the respective districts under AAY Scheme.

6. All the District Collectors and CRO, Hyderabad shall take immediate action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**SANJAY JAJU,
EX- OFFICIO SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Civil Supplies , Hyderabad .

All District Collectors /All Joint Collectors /The CRO, Hyderabad Copy to:

The Commissioner of Rural Development, Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, Tribal Welfare Dept, Hyderabad.

The Project Director, AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad. The Spl.
Secretary to C.M.

The P.S. to Minister for Food and Civil Supplies, The P.S. to
Chief Secretary.

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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Rural Development Department – Social Security Pensions – Enhancement of Scale of Pension to different category persons – Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No.13

Dated:25-01-2019.

Read the following:-

1. G.O.Ms.No.113, P.R. & R.D (RD.I) Department, Dated: 19-06-2014.
2. G.O.Ms.No.7, P.R. & R.D (RD.I) Department, Dated:25.01.2018.
3. G.O.Ms.No.51, P.R. & R.D (RD.I) Department, Dated:17.05.2018.
4. G.O.Ms.No.70, P.R. & R.D (RD.I) Department, Dated:08.06.2018.
5. Single e_file received from the CEO, SERP, A.P., Vijayawada, e_file.No.SERP-17021/1/2019-PM-SS-SERP, Dt: 17-01-2019.

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ORDER:

In the reference first read above, Government have issued orders enhancing the existing rate of pension to Rs.1,000/- per month to the old age persons, widows, weavers, toddy tappers, ART cases and Disabled persons with 40% to 79% degree of disability and Rs.1500/- per month to the persons with 80% and above degree of disability to provide more secured life to them.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, orders were issued to sanction pensions to Transgender at the rate of Rs.1500/- per month. in the reference 3rd and 4th read above, orders were issued to sanction pensions to Fishermen and Single women category at the rate of Rs.1000/- per month, respectively.

3. In the circumstances reported by the Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, A.P., Vijayawada vide reference fifth read above, and after careful consideration of the proposal contained therein, Government have decided to enhance the scale of pension from Rs.1,000/- to Rs.2,000/- per month to Old Age Persons, Widow, Toddy Toppers, Weavers, Single Women, Fishermen, ART (PLHIV) Persons, Dappu Artists, Traditional Cobblers, Disabled persons with 40% to 79% degree of disability, and from Rs.1,500/- to Rs.3,000/- per month to Disabled persons with 80% above degree of disability, Transgender category and also from Rs.2,500/- to Rs.3,500/- per month to people affected with Chronic Kidney Disease who are undergoing Dialysis both Government and network hospitals to improve standards of living of the most needy and vulnerable people to provide more secured life to them.

4. The Pensions enhanced in respect various categories as stated at para (3) above shall come into effect from December, 2018, and payable from 01.01.2019.

5. The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, A.P., Vijayawada shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

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6. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department, vide their U.O.No.FIN/PFS/1/2019, Dated:25.01.2019, Dated:25-01-2019.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**SOLOMON AROKIA RAJ
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (SERP)**

To
The Chief Executive Officer, Society for Elimination of Rural Poverty, A.P, Vijayawada.
All the District Collector in the State.
All the Project Directors, DRDAs in in the State.
The Principal Secretary, PR & RD Secretariat. Velagapudi.
The Principal Secretary, Social Welfare Department, Secretariat. Velagapudi.
The Principal Secretary, Dept. for Women, Children, Differently Abled & Sr. Citizens Secretariat. Velagapudi.
The Principal Secretary, Health Medical & Family Welfare Department, Secretariat, Velagapudi.
The Secretary, SERP, A.P., Secretariat. Velagapudi
The Director, Panchayat Raj & Rural Development Department, Vijayawada

Copy to: The Director of Treasuries and Accounts Dept., of AP, Vijayawada.
: All the District Treasury Officers in the State.
: The Accountant General of Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.
: The PS to Principal Secretary to CM, A.P., Secretariat. Velagapudi.
: The PS to Chief Secretary to Government of AP, Secretariat. Velagapudi.
: The PS to Minister (PR, RD, IT & C), AP, Secretariat. Velagapudi.
: The PS to Minister (SERP), A.P., Secretariat. Velagapudi
: The PS to Minister, Social Welfare, AP, Secretariat. Velagapudi.
: The PS to Minister, Dept. for Women, Children, Differently Abled & Sr. Citizens Secretariat. Velagapudi.
: The PS to Minister, HM&FW Department.
: Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

AP State AIDS Control Society - Sanction of pension @ of Rs. 200/- P.M. to the HIV/AIDS Patients on ART (Anti Retroviral Therapy) Drugs who are having white ration cards – Orders - Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (L.2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 87

Dated: 02.04.2009
Read the following:-

1. From the PD, APSACS, Lr.No.1744/AIDS/APD/2008, dt. 26.6.08.
2. From the PD, APSACS, Lr.No.1744/AIDS/APD/2008, dt. 08.12.2008.

ORDER:

In India, HIV prevalence rate as per revised surveillance data of National AIDS Control Organisation, (NACO) Govt. of India, is 0.36%. Andhra Pradesh is considered as one of the six states with high HIV prevalence. As on 2006, 2.4 million HIV positive cases are reported out of which around 5.4 lakh cases are from Andhra Pradesh. Government have taken up a number of initiatives in the state for prevention and control of HIV/AIDS in the state through the Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society (APSACS). These programmes are taken up as per the guidelines of the National AIDS Control Programme.

2. The State Government have felt that there is an imperative need in the State to provide financial protection to families living below poverty line who are AIDS patients and receiving Anti Retroviral Therapy (ART) medicines at the designated ART centers, as majority (80%) of the patients who are receiving ART medicines are from the BPL families. The Government provides ART medicines free of cost. However, these AIDS patients who are on ART are unable to make a living in view of social stigma and discrimination against AIDS patients and also those from low income levels are not in a position to visit the ART centers regularly to take the ART medicines. ART medicines if not taken regularly leads to further health complications. It is felt that providing monthly pension to the AIDS patients would help AIDS patients to access the ART medicines and also support their livelihoods and better nutrition so that their life span could be extended.

3. Government after careful examination have decided to introduce a scheme of pension to AIDS patients in all the districts of Andhra Pradesh. The pension scheme is intended to benefit AIDS patients who are receiving ART medicines in the Government ART centres and who are from below poverty line (BPL) families @ Rs.200/- per month without any restrictions on the number of persons to receive pension in a family.

4. The expenditure sanctioned above shall be debited to the head of account MH 2235 - Social Security and Welfare -60, other Social Security and Welfare Programmes, - MH102. Pensions under Social Security Schemes, GH.11 Normal State Plan, SH(09) Pension to AIDS Patients 310.Grants in Aid/ 312. Other Grants in Aid (to be opened).

5. This scheme shall be administered by Rural Development Department and shall be effected from 1.4.2009. Rural Development Department is requested to follow the modalities appended to this order, for evaluation of eligible AIDS Patients.

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6. The Rural Development Department shall send proposals to Finance Department for providing necessary amount in BE 2009-10 (final) on made.

7. This order issues with the concurrence of Finance Department vide their U.O.No.2080-B/22/Expr. PR&RD/09. dt.13-2-2009.

8. This order also issues with the concurrence of General Administration (Elections) Department.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**J.SATYANARAYANA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad.

The Rural Development Department.

All the District Collectors.

Copy to:-

The PS to Chief Minister.

The PS M (MH & FW)

The PS to Prl.Secy Health,

The GA (Cabinet) Department w.r.t CR U.O.No.11/2009, dated 09.01.2009.

The Finance Department.

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SECTION OFFICER

**GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT**

STATE PLAN SCHEME – Administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.17,66,000/- under Pensions to AIDS Patients to meet the expenditure for the months of October and November, 2014 – Accorded - Orders – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (RD.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 144.

Dated:17-10-2014
Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.16, PR&RD (RD.II) Dept., Dt:21-06-2014.
2. G.O.Rt.No.84, PR&RD (RD.II) Dept., Dt:03-09-2014.
3. G.O.Rt.No.834, Finance (EBS.VIII) Dept., Dt:16-10-2014.

ORDER:

A provision of Rs.52,99,000/- has been made in the BE 2014-2015 towards meeting the expenditure for the months of June to November, 2014 under the Scheme of Pensions to AIDS Patients, out of which an amount of Rs.35,33,000/- has already been released vide GO's 1st and 2nd read above, leaving a balance of Rs.17,66,000/- for the months of October and November, 2014 during the current Financial Year 2014-2015.

2. In the G.O. 3rd read above, the Finance (EBS.VIII) Department have issued a consolidated BRO for an amount of Rs.115,88,91,000/- under Plan for the months of October and November, 2014 for implementation of various Social Security Pension schemes of Rural Development Department, out of which an amount of Rs.17,66,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs and Sixty Six Thousand only) has been earmarked under Pensions to AIDS Patients Scheme for the months of October and November, 2014.

3. Government after careful examination, hereby accord administrative sanction for an amount of Rs.17,66,000/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs and Sixty Six Thousand only) to the Commissioner, Rural Development, Telangana, Hyderabad to meet the expenditure under Pensions to AIDS Patients Scheme for the months of October and November, 2014 during the current Financial year 2014-2015.

4. The amount sanctioned above, shall be debited to the following Heads of Account:

2235	-	Social Security and Welfare
60	-	Other Social Security and Welfare Programmes
MH-200	-	Other programmes
GH 11	-	Normal State Plan
SH (21)	-	Pensions to Aids Patients
310	-	Grants-in-Aid
312	-	Other Grants-in-Aid.

5. The Commissioner of Rural Development, Telangana, Hyderabad shall draw the funds as sanctioned above by presenting a Grants-in-aid Bill, and release the same by way of Electronic Clearance Service (ECS) in favour of Chief Executive Officer, SERP, SB.Account.No.62206194762 (IFSC:SBHY0020263), SBH, Adarshnagar Branch, Hyderabad, after obtaining the budget authorisation from the Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad and intimate the allotment of funds to the Government and also watch the drawal and utilization of funds by the DRDAs, and the District Collectors.

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6. The Commissioner, Rural Development, Telangana, Hyderabad is informed that, the allotment cannot be construed as an authority for incurring the expenditure and the same shall be spent under proper sanction of the competent authority as prescribed under relevant Rules, and he is further informed that no further budget will be released until the DOR is received.

7. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad is requested to issue necessary Budget Authorization to the Commissioner, Rural Development, Telangana, Hyderabad based on the BRO issued in the reference 3rd read above.

8. This order does not require the concurrence of the Finance Department in view of the Budget Release Order issued by the Finance Department in the reference 3rd above.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

J. RAYMOND PETER
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Commissioner, Rural Development, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Pay & Accounts Officer, Telangana, Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, Telangana, Hyderabad

Copy to:

All District Collectors & Chairmen, DRDAs/All Project Directors, DRDAs/All

District Treasury Officers through CRD Hyderabad

The Fin. (EBS.VIII) Dept.

P.S. to Prl.Secy. to Government.

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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

NACO circulated guidelines for declaring HIV/AIDS of positive persons - Mention "Immuno deficiency instead of HIV/AIDS in the underlying cause in the remarks column o Death Certificate issued by the Doctors - Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (L.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 290

Dated.20.10.2010

Read the following:-

- (1) Memorandum No.T.11020/69/2006- NACO (ART) Dt. 05-08-2010
- (2) From the P.D., APSACS, Lr.Rc.No.1776/CCC/APSACS/AIDS/2010-11, Dt.04-09-2010.

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ORDER:-

The Department of AIDS control Society, NACO, G.O.I, New Delhi vide their memo 1st read above have framed and circulate guidelines regarding HIV/AIDS status of positive persons by courts of Law, Insurance Companies, Government Offices an other institutions.

2. The Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad in his letter read above has brought the above circulated guidelines to the notice of Government stating that his circular is important while issuing Births & Death Certificates particularly while issuing Death Certificates by the Doctors in the hospitals, wherein it has to mentioned " underlying cause of death as Immuno deficiency " but not HIV/AIDS. As this circular has wider ramifications in dealing HIV/AIDS positive people, by the Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society has requested the Government to issue orders in the matter to concerned Department.

3. Government felt that this is an extremely important matter given the stigma attached to HIV/AIDS. Moreover, clinically also "Immuno – deficiency" is a more accurate description of death.

4. Accordingly, all the concerned departments are requested to issue necessary instructions to the authorities under their control to follow the above guidelines of the Department of AIDS control, NACO, G.O.I., communicated in the memorandum first read above regarding declaring HIV/AIDS status of positive people while issuing Death Certificates mentioning the "Immuno deficiency" instead of HIV/AIDS in the "underlying cause" column of the death certificate issued by the Doctors in the hospitals.

5. All the concerned departments shall take further necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.SATYANARAYANA,
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
All HODs under the Control of Health, Medical &
Family Welfare Department.
The Women Development, Child Welfare &
Disabled Welfare Department.
The Social Welfare Department.
The PR&RD (Rural Development) .
The Home Department.
The Law Department.
The Education Department.
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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare – Mainstreaming HIV-AIDS Control with Health Delivery System – Inclusion of Project Director of A.P. State AIDS Control Society (APSACS) as a Member of the State Health Society and Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare as the Chairman of A.P. State AIDS Control Society Executive Committee – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (L.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 136

Dated.09-06-2010

Read the following:-

1. PD of APSACS, Hyderabad Letter No.4691/AIDS/2006-09 dated.29.1.2010.
2. G.O.Ms.No.93 of H.M & FW (H2) Department dated.23 April 2010.

ORDER:

1. In the reference second cited, the Government have established the Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare – headed by the Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare (CH&FW) in the Super-time / Above Super-time Scale of IAS – for effective coordination, and monitoring of the entire health services system in the state. With a view to secure effective synergy and integration of HIV/AIDS control with the overall health delivery system in the state, the Government have brought the AP State AIDS Control Society (APSACS) under the overall control and supervision of the Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare.

2. In this context, the Government have reviewed the functioning of A.P. State AIDS Control Society and have decided to reinforce the institutional mechanism for mainstreaming HIV-AIDS control activities in the state with the overall health delivery system at all operational levels and strengthen the HIV control activities within the overall matrix of the National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). The Government have also decided to strengthen the role of Project Director of A.P. State AIDS Control Society in the planning, implementation and monitoring of NRHM.

3. Therefore, the Government hereby orders that the Project Director of A.P. State AIDS Control Society be included as a Member of the State Health Society, which would ensure direct role for the Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society in the NRHM and allied health sector activities in the state. Further, to ensure effective integration of A.P. State AIDS Control Society with the Commissionerate of Health and Family Welfare, the Government orders that the Commissioner of H&FW shall be the Vice-Chairman of A.P. State AIDS Control Society Governing Body and Chairman of the Executive Committee with immediate effect.

4. Further, the Government orders that all proposals emanating from A.P. State AIDS Control Society for Government's review and approval be routed through the CH&FW. The Government orders that all HIV-AIDS control activities in the state shall be planned implemented and monitored under the overall supervision and approval of the CH&FW. The Project Director, A.P. State AIDS Control Society is hereby empowered to supervise and monitor the implementation of all NRHM activities in the state and advise the CH&FW and the Government on all matters relating to HIV-AIDS control and related health sector interventions.

5. The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare and Project Director of A.P. State AIDS Control Society shall take necessary action accordingly. The CH&FW shall submit proposals to the Government for amendment of Rules or Bye-laws, if any required in this regard.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**DR.P.V.RAMESH
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Commissioner of Health and Family Welfare, Hyderabad.

The Project Director of A.P. State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

1. The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi.
2. The Director – General of National AIDS Control Organisation (NACO), 9th Floor, Chandralok Building, 36 Janpath, New Delhi – 110 001.
3. The Mission Director, NRHM, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi.
4. The Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister of AP (KR).
5. The Director of Medical Education, Hyderabad.
6. The Director of Public Health and Family Welfare, Hyderabad.
7. The Commissioner of AP Vaidya Vidhana Parishad, Hyderabad.
8. All District Medical and Health Officers.
9. The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (ME), AP Secretariat, Hyderabad.
10. The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (H&FW), AP Secretariat, Hyderabad.
11. The OSD to Hon'ble Minister (Aarogyasri, 108, 104 & APHMHIDC), AP Secretariat, Hyderabad.
12. The PS to the Principal Secretary to Government, Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department.
13. The SPIU of HM & FW Department, Hyderabad.
14. Representative, Family Health International, Hyderabad.
15. The Director, Indian Institute of Public Health, Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Health, & Medical Family Welfare Department - Prevention of HIV/AIDS – People living with HIV/AIDS (PLHAS) who are receiving Anti Retroviral Treatment (ART) medicines – Providing of bus fare concession to PLHA's in APSRTC – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (L.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 159

Dated. 17-07-2010

Read the following:-

1. From the PD, APSACS, Hyd, Lr.Rc.No.1928/RTC/AIDS/2008, dt.22.6.09.
2. From the VC&MD, APSRTC, Hyd., Lr.No.P9/294(49)/2006-OPD(P), dt.26.8.09 and 27.5.2010..
3. G.O.Rt.No.2912, Fin.(ExP.M&H.II) Dept., dt.18.6.10.

ORDER:

In the reference first read above, the Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad has proposed that People Living with HIV/AIDS who are receiving Anti Retroviral Treatment (ART) medicines may be provided with concession in bus fares on the lines of concession in rail fares to People living with HIV/AIDS who are on ART. There are about 50,000 PLHA's living on ART at present in the State, accessing ART medicines through the network of 31 ART Centres and 14 Link Art Centres. There is also a proposal to set up 5 new ART Centres and 25 link Art Centres in near future, thereby reducing the distance to be traveled by the People living with HIV/AIDS to access the ART.

2. The Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad has proposed that, Government may consider recommending to Andhra Pradesh State Road Transport Corporation for providing 50% concession in bus fare to the ART patients who are from below poverty for travelling to get ART medicines once in a month. He has stated that it is estimated that about 1,00,000 people would be visiting the ART Centres in a month, including the persons accompanying the patients traveling an average distance of 50 to 100 KMs. At an average cost of Rs.50/- per person per trip the cost on travel would be Rs.50/- x 12,00,000 = 6,00,00,000/- per annum and the cost on 50% concession would be Rs.3,00,00,000/- or Rs.3.00 crore per annum. The modalities to provide concessions are to be worked out by Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society in consultation with APSRTC.

3. The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APSRTC, Hyderabad in his letter in the reference 2nd read above has stated that the total amount required per year towards 50% concession in normal fare for People living with HIV/AIDS with one attendant is Rs.5,28,00,000/- (Rupees five crores twenty eight lakhs only) and have to be reimbursed by Government. He has further stated that the APSRTC is receiving number of representations from the District Collectors as well as from HIV/AIDS patients to extend 50% concessional facility once in a month to the HIV/AIDS infected patients along with one attendant each to travel from the place of residence to

the nearest District Headquarters for their medical checkup and to collect free medicines. Therefore he has requested to issue instructions for reimbursement of Rs.5.28 crores, in advance in order to extend 50% concession in normal fare in APSRTC buses to 50,000 people living with HIV/AIDS along with one attendant each (residing in A.P. State) to perform journeys from the place of their residence to the nearest ART Centre once in a month to avail medicines and medical assistance.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter and have decided to provide concessional bus fare for travelling in APSRTC buses to People living with HIV/AIDS to receive ART Medicines to the nearest ART centre once in a month @ 50% concession on normal fare, along with one attendant. In the reference 4th read above, the Finance Department have released budget for Rs.5.00 crores (Rupees five crores only).

5. Accordingly, Government hereby order to provide concessional bus fare to People living with HIV/AIDS for travelling in APSRTC buses along with one attendant to the nearest ART centres to receive ART Medicines once in a month @ 50% concession on normal fare.

6. The Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad shall take necessary further action to prescribe the operational modalities to implement the scheme in an efficient, effective and transparent manner to the convenience of the People living with HIV/AIDS.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**J.SATYANARAYANA,
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Project Director,

A.P. State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad.

The Prl. Secretary to Govt.,

Transport, Roads & Buildings (TR.II) Department.

Copy to:

The Vice Chairman & Managing Director,

APSRTC, Hyderabad.

All HODs under the control of HM&FW Department.

The P.S. to Hon'ble M (H&FW).

The P.S. to Spl. Chief Secretary to Govt.,

Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department.

The P.S. to Secretary to Govt.,

Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department.

The Finance (Expr.M&H.II) Department.

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SECTION OFFICER

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

HIV/AIDS – Constitution of State Level Committee to monitor HIV/AIDS Control and prevention activities - Extension of term of the Committee for a further period of three years - Orders – Issued.

HEALTH, MEDICAL & FAMILY WELFARE (L.1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1516

Dated.25-11-2009
Read the following:-

1. G.O.Rt.No.1122, HM&FW(L.2) Dept., dt.23.8.2009.
2. From the PD, APSACS, Hyderabad, Lr.Rc.No.2718/AIDS/Special/PSP/2008, dt.7.8.2009.

ORDER:

In the reference first read above orders were issued constituting State Level Committee to monitor HIV/AIDS control and prevention activities with Hon'ble C.M. as Chief Patron, Hon'ble Minister, Health, Medical & Family Welfare as patron, Chief Secretary to Government as Chair person, Principal Secretary, Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department Member Secretary and 19 other as Members, with a three year tenure.

2. The Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad in letter in the reference 2nd read above, informed that the tenure of the Committee expired in August, 2009, and requested for issue of orders to extend the tenure of the Committee.

3. Government have examined the matter in the context of the requirement of continued emphasis on AIDS control and decided to extend the tenure of the above Committee for a further period of 3 years, and that the Committee should meet once a year, Government also decided to nominate one Non-Government Organization as member.

4. Accordingly, Government hereby extend the tenure of State Level Committee for a further period of three years i.e upto August 2012. The Committee shall meet once a year. Prakriti Environment Society (NGO), Ashok Nagar, Karim Nagar, Non-Government Organization is nominated as Member in the above Committee.

5. The Project Director, Andhra Pradesh State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

J.SATYANARAYANA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

The Project Director, A. P.State AIDS Control Society, Hyderabad.

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All members through Project Director,
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The P.S.to Prl. Secy to CM.

The P.S. to C.S. to Govt.

The OSD to Hon'ble M(H&FW).

The P.S. to Prl. Secy., HM&FW Department.

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