



ABSTRACT

State Health Society –Tamil Nadu – Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP) – Decentralised recruitment of contractual manpower under Integrated Disease Surveillance Project – Filling up of the post of Epidemiologist at District Surveillance Units – Amendment to G.O. (Ms.) No.282 Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 24.09.2012 - Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (EAP II-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms.) No. 278

Dated: 29.11.2013

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Vijaya, Karthigai 13

Read:

1. G.O (Ms.)No.282 Health and Family Welfare Department, dated: 24.09.2012
2. From the Mission Director, State Health Society, letter No.6276/P8/SHS/2013, dated: 12.10.2013.

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ORDER:

The Mission Director, State Health Society in his letter 2<sup>nd</sup> read above has stated that the Government, in G.O. (Ms) No.282, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated: 24.9.2012, accorded permission to appoint Epidemiologist in the 30 District Surveillance Units (DSUs) under Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (IDSP) by deputation of Health Officers or from willing Medical Officers with 3 years experience in PHCs and willing to work as Epidemiologists or from the retired Doctors with consolidated salary of Rs.35,000 (Rupees thirty five thousand only) per month with 5% increase every year. He has stated that the Epidemiologists could not be appointed in the District Surveillance Units for the reason that there are already dearth of hands in the category of Health Officers and that more number of Medical Officers recruited through the Employment Exchange are working in the PHCs under 10 (a)(i) basis and they have not yet been regularized through the Special qualifying examination conducted by the TNPSC, even though these temporary Medical officers have put up more than 3 years of service. As deputation could not be followed from the temporary Medical Officers, Epidemiologists could not be appointed from the Health Officers / Medical Officers with 3 years experience. There is also no good response from the retired Doctors with requisite qualifications to take up this appointment. For the reasons stated above, all the District Epidemiologist posts could not be filled up. At present only 16 posts are filled up with one Health Officer by transfer, nine Medical Officers by diversion and six retired doctors. The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine (DPH&PM) has suggested that the Epidemiologists may be appointed in the Integrated Disease Surveillance Project in time scale of pay like in all other Schemes / Projects like Mobile Medical Units as the Integrated Disease Surveillance Project, though implemented by the Director of Public Health and

Preventive Medicine with funds through the State Health Society has to be treated as Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine programme.

2. The Mission Director has stated further that the proposal has been placed in the 24<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee meeting held on 8.10.13 seeking permission to the Mission Director, State Health Society to obtain amendment from the Government to the orders issued in G.O. (Ms) No.282, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 24.9.2012 and the Executive Committee has approved the proposal with the following modifications:

- a) To appoint Epidemiologist on regular time scale through Employment Exchange.
- (or)
- b) To appoint retired doctors on consolidated salary
- (or)
- c) By outsourcing method.

The Mission Director, State Health Society has requested the Government to issue necessary orders.

3. The Government after careful consideration has decided to accept the proposals of the Mission Director, State Health Society and they accordingly permit the Mission Director, State Health Society and the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine to appoint Epidemiologist for the District Surveillance Units established under Integrated Disease Surveillance Project in regular time scale of pay of Rs.15600-39100+GP Rs.5400 through the Employment Exchange or to appoint retired doctors on consolidated salary or by outsourcing method. The pay of Epidemiologists appointed in time scale of pay shall be drawn from State fund through the treasury mode and the Mission Director, State Health Society is permitted to remit the salary component of the Epidemiologists to the following Government account as approved by the Government of India.

"0211-00-Family Welfare – 800 Other Receipts  
– AN Receipts - under National Rural Health  
Mission Scheme (DP Code 0211-00-800-0003)".

4. The following amendment is issued to the G.O. (Ms.) No.282 Health and Family Welfare Department, dated: 24.09.2012:

#### AMENDMENT

For the existing para 4 of the G.O. (Ms.) No.282 Health and Family Welfare Department, dated 24.09.2012, the following para shall be substituted and read as para 4

4. The Government after careful consideration has decided to accept the above proposals of the Mission Director, State Health Society. They accordingly permit the Mission Director, State Health Society and the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine to appoint Epidemiologist for the District Surveillance Units established under Integrated Diseases Surveillance Project in regular time scale of pay of Rs.15600-39100+GP Rs.5400 through the Employment Exchange / Medical Recruitment Board / Transfer or to appoint retired doctors on consolidated salary or by outsourcing method.

The Epidemiologists, if appointed from the retired persons or outsourcing with the qualifications prescribed by the Government of India under Integrated Disease Surveillance Project shall be paid a consolidated pay of Rs.35,000 (Rupees thirty five thousand only) per month with 5% increase every year following the procedures and the salary will be revised by Mission Director as per Government of India norms. The expenditure towards contract pay of the District Epidemiologists shall be met from the National Rural Health Mission – Integrated Disease Surveillance Project funds.

5. The expenditure towards salary of the Epidemiologists appointed in time scale shall be debited to the following head of account:

“2210-Medical and Public Health – 06 – Public  
Health – 101 Prevention and control of Diseases – I  
Non Plan AU – Surveillance for Epidemic Preparedness  
(DPC: 2210-06-101-AU-0002)”.

The existing para 5 in the G.O. (Ms.) No.282, Health and Family Welfare Department, dated: 24.09.2012 shall be read as para 6.

6. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O. No. 475/JS/(Dr.PU)/H-I/2013, dated: 26.11.2013.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

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SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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The Mission Director, State Health Society, Chennai-6.  
The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine, Chennai-6.  
The Accountant General, Chennai-18. (2 copies)  
The Pay and Accounts Officer (South), Chennai-35  
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All District Treasury Officers.

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21/10/13