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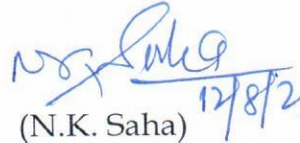
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Dated the 12<sup>th</sup> August, 2021

**OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**Subject: Minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on 20.07.2021 at 11:00 a.m. under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER.**

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on 20.07.2021 at 11:00 a.m. under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER, for information and necessary action. The minutes of the meeting/proposal contained therein have been duly approved by the Hon'ble Minister, Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region.

  
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**Encl. As above.**

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- iv. Foreign Secretary, Ministry of External Affairs, South Block, New Delhi-110011.
- v. Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi-110011.
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- xi. Sr. Economic Adviser, Ministry of DoNER
- xii. Joint Secretary (NLCPR/NESIDS), Ministry of DoNER
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**Copy to:-**

Chief Secretaries of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura - **For necessary action.**

**Copy also to:-**

- i. PS to Hon'ble Minister, MDoNER.
- ii. PS to Hon'ble MoS, MDoNER
- iii. Superintending Engineer (TW), MDoNER.
- iv. DS(SDM)/DS(IFD), MDoNER.
- v. Sr. Technical Director (NIC), MDoNER.
- vi. PPS to Secretary, MDoNER.

**Minutes of the 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on 20.07.2021 at 11:00 a.m. under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Ministry of DoNER through Video Conferencing (VC).**

1. The 29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee was held on 20.07.2021 at 11:00 a.m. to discuss project proposals received from State Governments of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Sikkim and Tripura for consideration of Selection/Sanction/Condonation of delay/Change in scope etc. Chief Secretaries of the concerned State co-chaired the meeting. List of participants is at **Annexure-A**.

2. At the outset, Secretary, M/o DoNER welcomed Chief Secretaries, members of IMC/NESIDS Committee, representatives of State Governments and line Ministries of the Government of India. The Committee was apprised of the serious COVID-19 situation in North Eastern States. It was stated that NE is affected badly in the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave as compared to rest of the Country and a large number of Districts having positivity rate above 10% are in NE. Hence, there is an urgent need to take measures for the containment of pandemic in NE. Some of the proposals under consideration before the Committee in the meeting will greatly help the NE States in the effective tackling of the pandemic. It was observed that some of the Covid-19 projects sanctioned in the last year have still not been completed. In view of upsurge of pandemic in the NE States, Secretary, M/o DoNER stressed upon the urgent need for completing these Covid related health projects on top priority basis. He impressed upon the States to especially complete those projects which already exceeded the specified time limit, in the shortest possible time so that the benefit of the projects could reach the intended beneficiaries.

3. Thereafter, the Committee was informed that an EFC proposal for continuation of schemes of M/o DoNER has already been moved and was getting delayed for want of Third Party Evaluation Report, which has now been received and is under process for circulation. However, an interim approval has been accorded by the Department of Expenditure/Min. of Finance upto September, 2021 for Covid-19 related health infrastructure and ongoing works under the schemes of the Ministry. The Committee also agreed that the other project proposals (non-Covid related) could also be processed to bring them up to the stage of sanction. However, it was made clear that the Administrative and Financial Sanction (AFS) for Non-Covid projects would be issued only after approval of the continuation of the Scheme by the competent authority.

4. While considering various proposals for Covid related projects in today's meeting, the Committee noted that MoH&FW has in its comments to the proposed projects stated that a new scheme of Emergency Response & Health System Preparedness Package: Phase-II (in short ECRP-II) is being implemented by MoH&FW and some of the proposal relating to COVID comes under the ambit of ECRP-II wherein support will be provided to the States/UTs to enhance availability of medical oxygen in public healthcare system by providing Liquid Medical Oxygen Storage Tanks along with Medical Gas Pipeline System (MGPS), at least one per District. Also financial assistance is provided under the "Provision of RT-PCR Lab including machines (consumables, AMC)". Therefore, MoH&FW has suggested that the State Governments may be advised to propose projects covered under ECRP-II of MoH&FW under the said scheme.

5. To this, all the Chief Secretaries/representatives of State Governments from Health Department stated very strongly that this may not be agreed to as the project proposals sent by State Governments under NESIDS are at advanced/final stage of sanction, having already gone through the first stage of 'selection', and a lot of work had already been done in terms of its examination by expert group as per decisions of NESIDS Committee in its last meeting, preparation of DPRs, convening of SLEC meetings, making all preparatory action for procuring of these items etc. The scheme formulated by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, viz ECRP-II is a new scheme. States have not even sent proposals to the Health Ministry under this scheme. If fresh proposals are sent to Health Ministry under this scheme, it will take lot of time to process and sanction these. Keeping in view the time bound urgency and requirement of these items for effective handling of Covid protocol, especially considering that NE States have been badly affected in the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase all the Chief Secretaries and senior officers of Health Departments of State Governments present strongly stated that all such proposals, if in order otherwise, should be considered under NESIDS and requested the Committee to consider all such proposals on merits and not to drop only on the grounds that Health Ministry has now come up with a new ECRP-II scheme and would like the proposals to be covered under that scheme. All the Chief Secretaries assured that they will not submit these proposals to Health Ministry for any assistance under ECRP-II and will ensure that there is a single source of funding from Government of India's Ministries and that there would be no duplication from any other source.

6. The Committee deliberated this in detail, and after considering all the aspects, especially the necessity for timely sanction so that benefits of these reach to the people immediately and State machinery is equipped to handle the prevailing Covid situation effectively, agreed with the views of State Chief Secretaries and Senior Officers of Health Department of State Governments and decided to consider the proposals on merits under NESIDS as per the guidelines. Ministry of Health was asked to state their observations on merits of the proposal in each case. Chief Secretaries were requested to ensure non-duplication. They were also requested to ensure that assistance already received/sanctioned under PM CARES and other sources should be duly taken into account while procuring items to be sanctioned under NESIDS. Further, they were advised to ensure that assistance under NESIDS is utilised properly in a time bound manner, proper supervision and monitoring mechanisms are put in place. Under no circumstances any misuse or leakage of resources should take place, State Governments officers at senior level should be made responsible for putting in place effective and strong control mechanisms, and asked to do regular inspections and maintain proper record of items procured and utilized under NESIDS projects. Hence, wherever the M/o Health & Family Welfare suggested to cover a particular project under ECRP-II, the Committee recommends to consider and sanction the project under NESIDS subject to any other observations of M/o Health & Family Welfare on merits of each proposal.

7. While considering various proposals, the Committee also noted that similar projects have been proposed across the States with varying unit costs across the States. Similarly, M/o Health & Family Welfare while recommending certain proposals, have specified technical specifications of the items to be procured as well as unit cost limits. Chief Secretaries were of the view that while the technical specifications indicated by the M/o Health & Family Welfare would be observed by

them, no unit costs may be imposed for projects sanctioned under NESIDS, which is a 100% Central Sector Scheme, as such items would always be procured at market determined prices through a competitive bidding process on GeM or otherwise for items not available on GeM, duly observing the GFR provisions/other laid down procedure of the State Government. Unit costs suggested by M/o Health & Family Welfare may be applicable for funding under their schemes and may have been fixed under their guidelines and/or due to limited resource availability under their scheme. But there are no such limits on unit costs for items to be procured under NESIDS. It is quite possible that in some cases, the market determined price is lesser than unit costs indicated by M/o Health & Family Welfare. The Committee after detailed discussion agreed with this and advised that State Governments should ensure that procurement is done, through GEM through competitive bidding to ensure transparency and reasonableness of costs of procurements. Although the Committee/MDoNER may not impose any unit costs, which will be market determined through a competitive bidding process as per GFR provisions/laid down procedure of State Government, the State Government should while procuring these items, follow the technical specifications suggested by Min of Health and Family Welfare and keep these unit costs/limits in mind and in cases where the lowest quoted prices/prices at which State Government wishes to procure such items vary widely from the unit costs suggested by M/o Health & Family Welfare, before placing orders for their procurement, these should be subjected to a thorough scrutiny process by an expert group of State Government, who should after taking into account all the factors, including the unit costs suggested by M/o Health & Family Welfare, certify that proposed procurement costs are reasonable and just and the competent authority of the State Government should specifically approve the procurement of such items at costs higher than the norms/unit costs suggested by M/o Health & Family Welfare, giving due reasons and justification.

8. Thereafter, the Committee took up the project proposals for detailed discussion and recommendations as detailed below:

### **Arunachal Pradesh**

#### **9. Augmentation of Water Supply to Aalo Township in West Siang District - For condonation of delay in issuing of Work Order.**

9.1 The Chief Secretary, Arunachal Pradesh, along with officials of State Government, participated in the meeting through VC. The Committee was informed that the project was sanctioned by this Ministry on 08.03.2019 at a cost of Rs.20 crore. Representative of Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh explained that the delay in the process of award of work order was mainly due to lockdown on account of Covid-19 pandemic and model code of conduct imposed during Panchayat election.

#### **9.2 After due deliberations, the Committee recommended condonation of delay in issuing work order in respect of the above mentioned project.**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, alongwith its all enclosures, is at **Annexure -A**]*

**Assam****10. Implementation of Tele-Education for 543 Pratyabham Schools in Assam – For Selection.**

10.1 The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam along with other officers of State Government, participated in the meeting through VC. Regarding establishment of virtual classrooms by artificial intelligence in 543 schools across Assam, the Committee felt that the assessment of feasibility and mode of implementation, unit cost, and related technical aspects, etc. should be done in detail before going for selection of such an important project of education sector. The Committee also opined that 'in principle' the project was very good. A reference was also made to earlier proposals received in the Ministry from EdCL and ERNET for NER, in which various issues relating to appropriate technology and availability of NET and Power in rural areas of NER were raised. The Committee advised the State Govt. officials to revisit the proposal keeping in view the comments from NITI Aayog, line Ministries, IFD MDoNER and other stakeholders and send it with detailed technical analysis, feasibility study, etc.

**10.2 After detailed discussion, the Committee deferred the proposal and advised the State Government to suitably address and incorporate the above observations before resubmitting the proposal.**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, alongwith its all enclosures, is at **Annexure–B**]*

**11. Procurement of Ventilators (New born to Paediatric) and Oxygen Concentrators (10 LMP) for combating COVID-19 disease in pediatric age group at estimated cost of Rs.34.98 cr: For Sanction.**

11.1 The Chief Secretary, Assam, and other senior officers of State Govt. presented a brief of the project. In view of increase in COVID-19 cases in the State and preparedness for third wave of pandemic which is likely to affect the children most, the State Government explained the need of the project which is focused on the pediatric age group. Total of 250 Mechanical Ventilators and 500 Oxygen Concentrators (10 LPM) are required to combat the surge especially in pediatric population.

11.2 MoH&FW informed that they have sought clarification on the assistance to Assam from PM CARES and MoH&FW for Medical Supplies for COVID-19. During detailed discussion, the State Government proposed to drop the component of Oxygen Concentrators and proposed sanction of 250 Mechanical Ventilators at the cost of Rs 28.70 crore for Assam.

**11.3 Comments of NITI Aayog**

*The gap analysis has included beds for COVID severity in the Pediatric ICU (PICU), recovery beds and oxygen beds in COVID pediatrics ward. A total of 800 beds is estimated for which the requirement of 250 ventilators and 500 oxygen concentrators has been analyzed. It is suggested that ventilator specifications vary for an adult and pediatric. Therefore, neonatal ventilators with appropriate technical specification may be procured.*

11.4 State Government wanted to add a new component that was not agreed. They were asked to send separate proposal for new component which will have to first go through the Selection stage. **However, the proposal for remaining component of mechanical ventilators at estimated cost of Rs.28.70 cr was agreed to and recommended for sanction subject to comments of NITI Aayog, M/o Health & Family Welfare and other stakeholders.** State Government was asked to furnish requisite clarifications/additional details on various issues before issuance of AFS.

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, alongwith its all enclosures, is at **Annexure-C.**]*

## **12. Digboi Town Water Supply Scheme in Assam- For condonation of delay in issuing work order.**

12.1 Committee was informed that the project was sanctioned by this Ministry on 29.08.2019 at the cost of Rs. 41.69 crore. The work order of the project was issued on 20.02.2021. The Addl. Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam explained that the delay in the process of award of work order was caused mainly due to Covid-19 pandemic.

## **12.2 After due deliberations, the Committee recommended condonation of delay in issue of work order in respect of the above mentioned project.**

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## **Manipur**

## **13. Setting up/installation of Liquid Medical Oxygen Tank and Vaporizer 3 Nos. (one 10 KL and two no. of 20 KL) at JNIMS, Imphal East at an estimated cost of Rs.6.11 crore - For Sanction.**

13.1 The Chief Secretary, Manipur, alongwith officials of State Government, participated in the meeting through VC. State Govt. stated that two Covid-19 hospitals at RIMS and JNIMS, Covid Care Centre in 5 district hospitals, 2 CHCs and other 9 centers in different districts will be benefited by this project. The project involves setting up/installation of liquid medical oxygen tank and vaporizers at (i) JNIMS, Imphal, (ii) Veterinary Complex, Imphal and (iii) Kyamgei, Imphal. The objectives of the project were explained as (i) to ensure adequate supply of oxygen in the hospitals for Covid treatment (ii) to ensure timely intervention of Covid patients at the hospital and (iii) to minimize the refill of oxygen cylinders from neighbouring states. It was stated that in the management of Covid-19 pandemic, approximately 1400-1500 'D' type cylinders are being consumed everyday in different hospitals of the state. About 400-500 'D' type cylinders are sent outside the state for refilling daily. The state has developed two Covid-19 hospitals at RIMS and JNIMS, Covid Care Centers in 8 District hospitals, 4 CHCs, 1 PHC and other 25 centers in different districts and more than 2084 patients are in these centers. The demand for Oxygen is increasing day by day. Three PSA oxygen plants were installed at JNIMS, DH Churachandpur and DH Thoubal recently but not sufficient for the hospital needs.

13.2 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

### 13.3 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Response                                                                                                                                                        |
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| A new scheme of Emergency Response & Health System Preparedness Package: Phase-II (in short ECRP-II) is being implemented in MoHFW and the proposal comes under the ambit of ECRP-II wherein support will be provided to the States/UTs to enhance availability of medical oxygen in public healthcare system by providing Liquid Medical Oxygen Storage Tanks along with Medical Gas Pipeline System (MGPS), at least one per District. <i>Therefore, MoHFW does not support the proposal under NESIDS and the State Government may be advised to propose it in ECRP-II of MoHFW.</i> | These comments were adequately addressed by the State Government representative and Committee's recommendations on it as recorded in para 4 - 6 of the minutes. |

### 13.4 Important Comments of IFD MDoNER

| Sl.No. | Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Response                                                                                                                                                        |
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| 1.     | Cost of project is less than Rs.20.00 cr limit prescribed under the NESIDS guidelines                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Guidelines envisage that project size should be generally not less than Rs.20.00 cr, but for Health and Education Sector project size condition can be relaxed. |
| 2.     | Consultancy charges under NESIDS scheme are not allowed. However, CGST component may be allowed                                                                                                                                                                                                            | Only eligible components as per scheme guidelines will be allowed.                                                                                              |
| 3.     | Being a Central Sector Scheme, State Government may be advised to procure available items on the GeM to maintain cost economy and time saving. In case items are not available on GeM portal, State Government may be advised to procure items/equipments as per laid down policy of the State Government. | Accepted. These will be made condition of sanction.                                                                                                             |

### 13.5 Comments of NITI Aayog

No written comments received. However, the representative of NITI Aayog supported the proposal during the meeting.

### 13.6 Comments of other Members during the meeting

Supported the proposal.

13.7 After detailed discussion and due consideration of comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare, IFD, DoNER, NITI Aayog and other members of the Committee and response of State Government/PD of DoNER thereon, the Committee recommended the project proposal **“Setting up/installation of Liquid Medical Oxygen Tank and Vaporizer 3 Nos. (one 10 KL and two no. of 20 KL) at JNIMS, Imphal East at an estimated cost of Rs.6.11 crore”**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, alongwith all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-E.**]*

### 14. Procurement of 2000 Nos. Oxygen Concentrators and Procurement of Oxygen Cylinder – D Type – 2000 No. and 1000 No./B type at estimated cost of Rs.19.80 cr- For Sanction.

14.1 Chief Secretary, Manipur stated that in the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave of the Covid-19 pandemic, the surge of new infections has resulted in an alarming increase in the number of active cases. The resultant stress on the public health infrastructure has led to a big spike in demand for oxygen cylinders and oxygen concentrators. The objectives of the proposal were explained as

- i. To ensure proper supply of Oxygen in the hospital, easy accessibility and prompt supervisory visits to District Hospital and Covid Care Centres.
- ii. To ensure timely intervention of Covid-19 patients at all the hospitals.
- iii. To ensure proper supply of Oxygen to the other demands of Oxygen in the state.

14.2 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

### 14.3 Comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| MoHFW has already allocated Qty-268 of Oxygen Concentrator (10 LPM) to the State as first batch (out of total Qty-414 Oxygen Concentrators) under PM CARES. Further, under ECRP II, a provision has been made for installation of Liquid Medical Oxygen Storage Tanks with Medical Gas Pipeline System (MGPS), with an aim to support at least one such unit per District. <i>Therefore, the State</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Comments relating to ECRP-II as addressed in para 4-6 of the minutes.</li> <li>ii. While procuring items under NESIDS, items received/already sanctioned under PM CARES/any other source</li> </ol> |

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| <p><i>Government may review the proposal accordingly.</i></p> <p>Regarding Oxygen Cylinder, the proposal is <b>recommended</b> under NESIDS with the condition that the State Government should prepare a proper distribution plan along with the total number of beds requiring oxygen. All critical care areas, 50% of the beds in the wards, all ventilators and isolation beds will require regular oxygen supply.</p> | <p>would be kept in mind and if necessary quantities to be procured under NESIDS would be reduced/reworked out as per actual need.</p> <p>iii. Observations in para 7 of the minutes will be duly observed.</p> |
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#### 14.4 Comments of IFD MDoNER

By and large IFD MDoNER has given similar comments on all projects under consideration in today's meeting. Important comments and response thereon has been mentioned in para 13.4 of the minutes. Similar comments/response apply for the present case.

#### 14.5 Comments of NITI Aayog

No written comments received. However, the representative of NITI Aayog supported the proposal during the meeting.

#### 14.6 Comments of other Members during the meeting

Supported the proposal.

**14.7 After detailed deliberation, the Committee recommended the proposal for sanction at estimated cost of Rs. 19.80 crore subject to condition of ensuring that quantities of these items received/sanctioned under PM CARES/other sources is taken into account while procuring these under NESIDSs, and if necessary, quantities maybe suitably revisited/reduced.**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the committee, alongwith its all enclosures, is at Annexure-F]*

#### 15. Strengthening of Supervisory Vehicles for monitoring the entire State of Manipur at estimated cost of Rs.4.18 cr – For Sanction.

15.1 Chief Secretary stated that procurement of vehicles is needed for monitoring visits to the various Covid Care Centers located at both the Valley Districts as well as Hill Districts. In view of the present situation of Covid-19 pandemic and for future preparation of 3<sup>rd</sup> wave, as predicted by Health Experts, Supervisory Vehicles are required to enhance the Health Service System in the State.

15.2 The representatives of NITI Aayog, Technical Wing/M/o DoNER supported the proposal. Ministry of H&FW had no specific comments on this proposal. IFD, M/o DoNER did not support the proposal for funding under NESIDS stating that it has no direct relation with Covid project.

15.3 Representatives of the State Govt. justified the proposal stating that in the absence of the supervisory vehicles, the ambulances are used for monitoring and supervisory purposes, which adversely affect the patients requiring immediate ambulance services.

**15.4 After detailed discussion, it was decided to defer the proposal for further examination in the Ministry in consultation with AS&FA, Min. of DoNER.**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committees, along with its all enclosures, is at **Annexure-G.**]*

**16. Strengthening for Covid-19 testing (RT-PCR, RAT and TrueNat) in Manipur at estimated cost of Rs. 19.25 cr- For Sanction.**

16.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur, informed that in view of the rising number of Covid-19 positive cases all over the State, and more number of people coming out to get themselves tested for Covid-19, there is need for more number of Kits and consumables for testing. The objectives of the proposal were stated as

- i. To ensure early detention of cases
- ii. To ensure reduction in the positivity rate both daily and cumulative
- iii. To the state to implement the direction for revamping testing issued by Government of India.

16.2 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

**16.3 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare**

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
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| MoHFW <b>recommends</b> the proposal for procurement of Qty-90,000 RT PCR Kits (for 6 months) i.e. 500 samples per day for 180 days with an estimated cost of Rs.0.45 Crore @ Rs.50/- per unit as per norms of ECRP-II of MoHFW or market discovered price, whichever is less. <i>Regarding other items viz. sample collection logistic, etc. the State may propose for financial assistance under ECRP-II under the 'Provision of RT-PCR Lab including machines (consumables, AMC, etc.)'.</i> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Comments relating to ECRP-II as addressed in para 4-6 of the minutes.</li> <li>ii. Costs have to be as determined through a laid down competitive bidding process/procurement under GeM subject to reasonableness being certified by the competent authority, broadly keeping in view the observations/norms of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, without fixing any unit cost limits. However, if the unit costs of procurement vary widely from those indicated by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, in their comments, due consultation with Health Experts and representative of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare will be made before placing purchase orders and the competent authority</li> </ol> |
| MoHFW <b>recommends</b> the proposal for procurement of Qty-7,20,000 RAT Kits (for 6 months) i.e. 4000 samples per day for 180 days with an estimated cost of Rs.5.04 Crore @ Rs.70/- per unit as per norms of ECRP-II of MoHFW or market                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |

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| discovered price, whichever is less.<br><br>Further, there is also a provision of RT-PCR and RAT tests through public healthcare facilities in ECRP-II of MoHFW.<br>Regarding TrueNat, M/o DoNER has already been requested to obtain comments from ICMR/Department of Health Research. | should certify the reasonableness of the costs. Details observations in para 7 of the minutes will be observed. Technical specifications should be as prescribed by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.<br><br>iii. Regarding TrueNat, project may be recommended subject to comments of D/o Health Research/ICMR. If they broadly support the proposal, AFS can be issued without further reference to NESIDS Committee |
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#### 16.4 Comments of IFD MDoNER

By and large IFD MDoNER has given similar comments of all projects under consideration in today's meeting. Important comments and response thereon has been mentioned in para 13.4 of the minutes. Similar comments/response apply for the present case.

#### 16.5 Comments of NITI Aayog

No written comments received. However, the representative of NITI Aayog supported the proposal during the meeting.

#### 16.6 Comments of other Members during the meeting

Supported the proposal.

16.7 After detailed discussion and due consideration of comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare, IFD, DoNER, NITI Aayog and other members of the Committee and response of State Government/PD of DoNER thereon, the Committee recommended the project proposal "**Strengthening for Covid-19 testing (RT-PCR, RAT and TrueNat) in Manipur at estimated cost of Rs.19.25 cr**" subject to the condition that estimated cost would be treated as tentative and procurements costs would be as per response given under para 16.3. For TrueNat the comments of ICMR/Department of Health Research would be obtained before issuance of AFS.

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with its all enclosures, is at **Annexure-H.**]*

### 17. Procurement of 17 ALS ambulances for 16 Districts and 1 Central Pool (Medical Directorate) at an estimated cost of Rs.4.25 cr - For Sanction.

17.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur, briefed the requirement of transportation of patients and other emergency cases of Covid in view of day by day increasing cases. The objective of the proposal was stated as:

- i. To ensure easy access of patients to the District Hospitals and COVID Care Centre
- ii. To ensure services reach to interior of the state
- iii. To ensure timely intervention of COVID patients at the referral Hospital.

17.2 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

### 17.3 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
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| <p>In view of COVID-19 pandemic, the proposal for procurement of 17 ALS ambulances with estimated cost of Rs.4.25 Crore @ Rs.25 lakh or GeM/market discovered price, whichever is less, is <b>recommended</b> with the following conditions:</p> <p>(a) This cost is inclusive of all costs including vehicle, equipment, fabrication, GPS, etc.</p> <p>(b) ALS ambulances should be AIS 125 compliant</p> <p>(c) All ALS should be a part of central pool with a toll free number and should not be placed at the discretion of individual health facilities</p> <p>(d) Monthly monitoring of Key Performing indicators should be ensured by the State.</p> <p>Note:</p> <p>(i) All goods/services to be procured through transparent procurement procedure.</p> <p>(ii) The State Government shall ensure non-duplication of resources for the same activity/purpose.</p> <p>(iii) The State Government shall ensure availability of requisite HR for proposed infrastructure/activities.</p> | <p>Costs have to be as determined through a laid down competitive bidding process/procurement under GeM subject to reasonableness being certified by the competent authority, broadly keeping in view the observations/norms of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, without fixing any unit cost limits. However, if the unit costs of procurement vary widely from those indicated by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, in their comments, due consultation with Health Experts and representative of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare will be made before placing purchase orders and the competent authority should certify the reasonableness of the costs. Details observations in para 7 of the minutes will be observed. Specifications should be as prescribed by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare</p> |

**17.4 Comments of IFD MDoNER**

By and large IFD MDoNER has given similar comments of all projects under consideration in today's meeting. Important comments and response thereon has been mentioned in para 13.4 of the minutes. Similar comments/response apply for the present case.

**17.5 Comments of NITI Aayog**

No written comments received. However, the representative of NITI Aayog supported the proposal during the meeting.

**17.6 Comments of other Members during the meeting**

Supported the proposal.

17.7 State Government should ensure that all goods/services are procured through transparent procedure, resources are not duplicated for the same activity/purpose, and there is adequate availability of requisite HR for proposed infrastructure/activities.

17.8 After detailed discussion and due consideration of comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare, IFD, DoNER, NITI Aayog and other members of the Committee and response of State Government/PD of DoNER thereon, the Committee recommended the project proposal **"Procurement of 17 ALS ambulances for 16 Districts and 1 Central Pool (Medical Directorate) at an estimated cost of Rs.4.25 cr"**.

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**Meghalaya**

**18. Setting up of 2 (two) 100 bedded prefabricated facilities in Shillong and Tura in lieu of construction of 2 (two) 50 bedded Corona Care Centre in West Garo Hill District – For change in scope of work.**

18.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya, informed that the construction of the pre-fabricated hospital in West Garo Hills District, was not taken up in view of the relatively low number of Covid-19 cases in the State during the first phase of the pandemic. Now, the State Govt. had taken a decision to urgently set up two 100 bedded pre-fabricated Covid-19 facilities in Shillong and Tura which would be required to be completed within the shortest time.

18.2 Ministry of H&FW, NITI Aayog and IFD/M/o DoNER supported the proposal.

**18.3. The Committee observed that the cost as stated would be within the originally approved cost and after change in scope the benefits would be enhanced, therefore, the Committee recommended the project for change in scope as recommended by the SLEC.**

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### **19. Construction of 23 Anganwadi Centre Building in Meghalaya under NESIDS- For change in location of 7 Anganwadi Centres.**

19.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya, informed that there is a need for change in location as seven selected places are already being covered under other schemes i.e. RIDF (NABARD), MGNREGA, NEEPCO etc.

19.2 The line Ministry i.e. MoWCD, NITI Aayog etc. supported the proposal, subject to population norms for establishment of Anganwadi's are adhered to.

### **19.3 After detailed deliberations, the Committee recommended the proposal for change in location of 7 Anganwadi Centres.**

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### **20. Procurement of Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulances with equipment at an estimated cost of Rs.3.65 cr - For Sanction.**

20.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya informed that ALS Ambulances are very crucial in stabilizing and saving lives as they are equipped with Airway Support Equipment, Cardiac Life Support, Cardiac monitors as well as glucose testing devices with required medications. Therefore, availability of ALS ambulances at every district is of paramount necessity for assisting the State in addressing not just the Covid-19 cases but also in other critical cases in the State.

20.2 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

### **20.3 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare**

| <b>Comments</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>Response</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
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| <p>(a) <b>Procurement of Qty-11 ALS Ambulances with Equipment:</b> An amount of <b>Rs. 2.97 Crore</b> as CAPEX for 11 ALS @ Rs.27 lakh per ALS Ambulance or market discovered prices/GeM price, whichever is less, is <b>recommended</b> with the following conditions:</p> <p>(i) This cost is inclusive of all costs including vehicle, equipment, fabrication, GPS, etc.</p> <p>(ii) ALS ambulances should be AIS 125 compliant.</p> <p>(iii) All ALS should be a part of central pool with a toll free number and should not be placed at the discretion of individual health facilities.</p> <p>(iv) Monthly monitoring of Key Performing indicators should be ensured by the State.</p> | <p>i. Costs have to be as determined through a laid down competitive bidding process/procurement under GeM subject to reasonableness being certified by the competent authority, broadly keeping in view the observations/norms of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, without fixing any unit cost limits. However, if the unit costs of procurement vary widely from those indicated by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare, in their comments, due consultation with Health</p> |

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| <p>(b) <b>Procurement / installation of equipment for existing 12 ambulances:</b> The proposal for procurement installation of equipment in existing 12 ambulances (as recommended by SLEC) with an estimated amount of <b>Rs.67,55,136/-</b> or as per market discovered price, whichever is less, is <b>recommended</b>.<br/>Note: The State Government shall ensure that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The items are procured by following transparent procurement procedure.</li> <li>Availability of requisite human resources.</li> <li>Non-duplication of financial resources for the same activity/purpose.</li> </ol> | <p>Experts and representative of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare will be made before placing purchase orders and the competent authority should certify the reasonableness of the costs. Details observations in para 7 of the minutes will be observed.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Technical specifications should be as suggested by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare</li> <li>Other suggestions of M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare to be observed.</li> </ol> |
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#### 20.4 Comments of IFD MDoNER

By and large IFD MDoNER has given similar comments of all projects under consideration in today's meeting. Important comments and response thereon has been mentioned in para 13.4 of the minutes. Similar comments/response apply for the present case.

#### 20.5 Comments of NITI Aayog

No written comments received. However, the representative of NITI Aayog supported the proposal during the meeting.

#### 20.6 Comments of other Members during the meeting

Supported the proposal.

20.7 After detailed discussion and due consideration of comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare, IFD, DoNER, NITI Aayog and other members of the Committee and response of State Government/PD of DoNER thereon, the Committee recommended the project proposal "**Procurement of Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulances with equipment at an estimated cost of Rs.3.65 cr**"

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#### Mizoram

**21. Renovation/Up-gradation of NICU/PICU and HDU at Zoram Medical College, Falkawn, Mizoram for combating Covid-19 at estimated cost of Rs.2.77 cr - For Sanction.**

21.1 The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram, along with other concerned officials of Health, Finance and Planning Department of State Government, participated in the meeting through VC. He informed that proposal is based on the present

mandated requirement and immediate preparedness for the potential third wave of Covid-19, which is predicted by experts to begin on October-December of this year. Therefore, specialized care to Covid-19 patients requires equipment and diagnostic facilities to cater to patients of all ages.

21.2 MH&FW, NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and TW/M/o DoNER supported the project proposal.

**21.3 After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the project proposal 'Renovation/Up-gradation of NICU/PICU and HDU at Zoram Medical College, Falkawn, Mizoram for combating Covid-19' for Sanction at the cost of Rs.2.77 crore under NESIDS.**

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**22. Purchase of 2 (two) TrueNat Quattro Machines in Mizoram to Combat Pandemic Covid-19 for Lawngtlai & Serchhip District at estimated cost of Rs.29.12 lakh - For Sanction.**

22.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram informed that there is only one TrueNat quarto machine available at each district headquarter which was not sufficient for districts like Lawngtlai and Serchhip as they have more case load. The project is prepared to enhance the preparedness in the fight against the pandemic situation in the State so as to ensure that adequate number of tests are conducted at the district headquarters.

22.2 NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and TW/M/o DoNER supported the project proposal. M/o Health & Family Welfare suggested that comments from ICMR/Department of Health Research may be obtained.

**22.3 After detailed deliberation, the proposal was recommended for sanction subject to the comments of ICMR/Department of Health Research.**

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the Committee, along with its all enclosures, is at **Annexure-N**]*

**23. Purchase of RT-PCR reagents & RNA extraction kits to last for approximately six months for Zoram Medical College, Falkawn, Mizoram in combating Covid-19 at estimated cost of Rs.2.53 cr—For Sanction**

23.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram, informed that ZMC is the only laboratory where RT-PCR for Covid-19 is tested in State of Mizoram. He stated that uninterrupted supply of necessary testing kits and reagents is pivotal for the State to continue the mandatory RT-PCR testing as per ICMR guideline.

23.2 NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and TW/M/o DoNER supported the project proposal. M/o Health & Family Welfare suggested to obtain comments of ICMR/Department of Health Research.

**23.3 After detailed deliberation, the proposal was recommended for sanction at estimated cost Rs.2.53 cr subject to the comments of ICMR/Department of Health Research.**

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**24. Construction of Multi Level Car Parking at New Secretariat Complex, Aizawl in Mizoram – payment of CGST @ of 6% to the tune of Rs.1.94 crore- For sanction of revised cost.**

24.1 Chief Secretary, Mizoram briefed about the project and informed that the DPR for the project was prepared and submitted for approval before introduction of GST. The work order value of the project was exclusive of both GST and VAT components. Now, the revised project cost would be Rs.39.89 crore [(i.e. Rs.36.01 crore (original project cost) +Rs.3.88 crore (12% GST)]. Therefore, provision of payment of CGST amounting to Rs.1.94 cr @ 6% on Rs.3240.90 lakh (i.e. Central Share which is 90% of project cost of Rs.3601.00 lakh) would have to be made.

24.2 IFD/M/o DoNER supported the proposal.

**24.3 After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the proposal for revision in project cost from Rs.36.01 crore to Rs.39.89 crore including CGST component to the tune of Rs.1.94 Cr.**

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### **Tripura**

**25. Medical infrastructures Strengthening for Covid-19 component by arrangement of Medical Gas (Oxygen O2), pipeline with Manifold System, Logistics (Test Kits) and X-ray machine with CR system at estimated cost of Rs.19.32 cr - For Sanction.**

25.1 The Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tripura, along with the other concerned officials of Health, Finance and Planning Department of State Government, participated in the meeting through VC. He informed that the project proposal is for strengthening of Medical Infrastructure in Tripura to tackle Covid-19 Pandemic situation by making arrangement of Medical Gas Plant, Pipeline with manifold system, with logistics support (test kits & drugs) and up-gradation of health sub-centre at village level at an estimated cost of Rs.19.32 crore.

25.2 The representatives of NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and Technical Wing/M/o DoNER supported the proposal.

25.3 The project has been considered and recommended by SLEC chaired by CS. Technical appraisal of the project has been done by the competent authority of the State Government. DPR of the project has been examined by the Health Expert Group in terms of reasonableness, need, urgency, gaps in availability of the proposed items with the State Government during this time of pandemic and revised the proposal keeping in view the inputs/suggestions from concerned quarters.

**25.4 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare**

| Comments                                                                                                                                                | Response                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <p>Oxygen pipeline in seven district Hospitals/one Sub-Divisional Hospital @ Rs.1 Crore x 8 Nos. with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.8.00 Crore.</b></p>    | <p>Earlier (<b>at selection stage</b>), MoHFW vide letter dated 02.06.2021 (copy enclosed) recommended the proposal for Setting up of 8 Nos. of Medical Gas (Oxygen-O<sub>2</sub>) pipeline (Agartala), South District Hospital, North District Hospital DH at Khowai, Gomati Dhalai and Unakoti) and 1 Sub Divisional Hospital - Melaghar with estimated cost of Rs.8 Crore @ Rs.1 Crore with various conditions. The State Government has not yet clarified the issues and also not shared map and plan along with facility-wise costing based on gap analysis.</p> <p>To further support the States/UTs in view of potential upsurge of COVID-19, MoHFW under 'India COVID 19 Emergency Response and Health Systems Preparedness Package: Phase II (ECRP-II)' has made a provision to support the States to install Liquid Medical Oxygen Storage Tanks with Medical Gas Pipeline Systems with the aim to support at least one such unit per District. The State Government may, therefore, be advised to rework and submit their proposal to MoHFW under ECRP-II.</p> <p>Hence, the proposal is <b>not recommended</b> under NESIDS.</p> |
| <p>Procurement of RT- PCR @ Rs.170 per test with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.1.70 Crore</b> for 1 lakh kits) Procurement of Rapid Antigen Test Kit @</p> | <p>The proposal is <b>recommended</b> with an estimated cost of Rs.0.50 Crore for procurement of RT-PCR (Qty-1,00,000 kits) @ Rs.50/- per kit (<i>rate as per ECRP-II norms</i>).</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                                                                                                                                                         | <p>Suggestion for covering under ECRP-II already responded to vide para 4-6 of minutes</p> <p>Issues relating to unit costs already responded to in para 7 of the minutes.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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| Rs.110.00/test for mass screening with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.5.50 Crore</b> (for 5 lakh kits).                              | The proposal is <b>recommended</b> with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.1.90 Crore</b> for procurement of Rapid Antigen Test Kit (Qty-5,00,000 kits) @ Rs.38/- per kit (as reported by the State as GeM rate in another proposal). |                                                                              |
| X-ray machine with CR system in 16 hospitals of State @ Rs.25.75 Lakh x 16 Nos. with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.4.12 Crore</b> . | The proposal is <b>recommended</b> with an estimated cost of <b>Rs.4.12 Crore</b> or GeM/market discovered price, whichever is less.                                                                                          | Issues relating to unit costs already responded to in para 7 of the minutes. |

**25.5 After detailed discussion, the Committee recommended the proposal covering the 3 components described above with an estimated cost of Rs. 19.32 crore.**

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**26. Medical Infrastructure Strengthening of Non-Covid component by provision of Ultra Sonography Machine, Cardiac Care units, Surgery Unit, Dental Chair, Blood Transfusion Mechanism, Setting up advanced Diagnostic Laboratory, Rabies Vaccine & Up-gradation of 40 (forty) health Sub-Centre under NESIDS with a project cost of RS.35.99 cr. – For Sanction.**

26.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tripura, briefed about the project and stated that poor socio-economic conditions and non-availability of private sector facilities in rural and remote places of the state makes majority of the population dependent on public health care infrastructure. People have to go outside the State for specialized care which ultimately leads to huge financial burden impacting their savings and sometimes patient's family regresses to abject poverty.

26.2 The representatives of NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and Technical Wing/M/o DoNER supported the proposal.

### **26.3 Important comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare**

| <b>Comments</b>                                                                                                                                                                 |                                                                                                                                            |
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| Procurement of Qty-1 5-D Ultra Sonography Machine with Artificial Intelligence for IGM Hospital, Agartala with estimated cost of Rs.1.00 Crore.                                 | The proposal is not recommended as the State Government has not furnished clarifications sought in MoHFW's letter dated 02.06.2021.        |
| Procurement of 2 Nos. ( <b>Qty-1 at selection stage</b> ) of TMT and ECHO machine for AGMC & GBP Hospital, Agartala and Dhalai DH with estimated cost of <b>Rs.2.44 Crore</b> . | The proposal is <b>not recommended</b> as the State Government has not furnished clarifications sought in MoHFW's letter dated 02.06.2021. |

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| Setting up of Gynecological Minimal Access Surgery Unit at AGMC & GBP Hospital, Agartala, with estimated cost of <b>Rs.14.52 Crore.</b>                                                                                         | The proposal is <b>not recommended</b> as the State Government has not furnished clarifications sought in MoHFW's letter dated 02.06.2021.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Procurement of advanced Dental Chair for AGMC & GBP hospital and Tripura Medical college. Hapania, Agartala with estimated cost of <b>Rs.0.20 Crore.</b>                                                                        | <b>Recommended</b> with estimated cost of <b>Rs.14.00 lakh @ Rs.7.00 lakh per chair for 2 chairs</b> or GeM/market discovered price, whichever is less.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Proposal for reducing out-of-pocket expenses and providing free of cost blood to all patients in FY 2021-22 and pre-transfusion advanced testing of blood donors with estimated cost of Rs.2.40 Crore (1200 Nos. x Rs.20000/-). | <b>Recommended</b> with an estimated amount of <b>Rs.2.40 Crores.</b> However, being a recurring expenditure. M/o DoNER may decide whether funds on recurring expenditure are provided under NESIDS                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| Upgradation of laboratory services at Atal Bihari Vajpayee Regional Cancer Centre, Agartala with estimated cost <b>Rs.2.24 Crore.</b>                                                                                           | <b>Recommended</b> with estimated cost of <b>Rs.2.24 Crore</b> or market discovered price, whichever is less                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| Procurement of Anti-Rabies Vaccine & Serum for all the public health facilities of Tripura with estimated cost of Rs.1.197 Crore.                                                                                               | <b>Recommended</b> with an estimated amount of <b>Rs.1.197 Crore</b> if purchase of drugs/recurring expenditure is permitted under NESIDS.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| Construction of 40(forty) Health Sub-Centres as per IPHS norms to be located at 40 different places in the State with estimated cost of Rs.12.00 Crore @ Rs.30.00 lakhs for 40 Health Sub-Centres.                              | The proposal seems to be upgradation (not for new construction) of existing Health Sub-Centres to Health & Wellness Centres (HWC). Under 15 <sup>th</sup> Finance Commission, there is a provision for financial assistance for conversion of Health Sub-Centres into HWCs for the State. The State Government may, therefore, be advised to utilize the funds under 15 <sup>th</sup> Finance Commission.<br>Hence, the proposal is <b>not recommended</b> under NESIDS |

26.4 After detailed discussion, the Committee advised the State Government to furnish clarifications/additional details on various points/concerns raised by M/o Health & Family Welfare to enable them to reconsider the comments on components not recommended by them and send fresh comments. Simultaneously, comments of NITI Aayog and IFD MDoNER may also be obtained (if not received already). **Accordingly, the proposal was deferred for consideration in the next meeting after resolving various issues.**

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## 27. Procurement of Pulse Oximeters and Antigen Test Kits etc for combating Covid-19 Pandemic- For Change in Scope.

27.1 Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tripura, informed that rates of Antigen Test Kit and Pulse Oximeter after bidding on GeM are lesser than the rates projected in the DPR. He requested to increase the number of Antigen test kits and Pulse Oximeters within the same approved cost of Rs.3.90 crore.

27.2 The representatives of NITI Aayog, IFD/M/o DoNER and Technical Wing/M/o DoNER supported the proposals for change of scope.

### 27.3 Comments of M/o Health & Family Welfare

| Comments                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Response                                                                                                                                                                                      |
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| <p>Regarding the proposal for change in scope (by procuring more quantities of the items since the rates discovered after bidding in GeM are found lesser than the rates projected earlier) in procurement of Pulse Oximeters and Antigen Test Kits etc. for combating COVID 19 pandemic with an estimated cost of Rs.3.90 Crore to be funded under NESIDS, comments of MoHFW are as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regarding Pulse Oximeter, no details are shared by the State regarding its utilisation plan, reasons for additional Oximeters (over and above the sanctioned numbers i.e.Qty-2000), actual numbers required, etc. However, in view of COVID 19 pandemic, MoHFW has <b>no objection</b> to the proposal for change of scope (as recommended by SLEC) as no additional funding is involved. However, the State Government may be advised to procure additional quantity of the item on the basis of utilization plan.</li> <li>Regarding Antigen Test Kits, the State has not shared the justification for requirement of additional Antigen Test Kits, etc. However, in view of COVID-19 pandemic, MoHFW has no objection to the proposal for change in scope (as recommended by SLEC) as no additional funding is involved. However, the State Government may be advised to procure additional quantity of the item on the basis of utilization plan.</li> </ol> | <p>State Government was advised to furnish response/additional details in the points raised by M/o Health &amp; Family Welfare which will be kept in mind at the time of issuance of AFS.</p> |

**27.4** After detailed deliberation, the Committee recommended the change in scope of the project proposal “Procurement of Pulse Oximeters and Antigen Test Kit for combating COVID-19 Pandemic” under NESIDS with estimated cost remaining the same as sanctioned earlier.

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the committee, along with all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-T**]*

### **Sikkim**

**28. Procurement of Equipment for Strengthening of Bio-medical Waste Management (BWM) System & High Flow Oxygen (HFNO) at estimated cost of Rs.5.33 cr- For Sanction.**

**28.1** The project proposal submitted by State Government of Sikkim was not considered as representatives from Govt. of Sikkim could not attend the meeting due to some technical glitch in VC. The Committee therefore, deferred the proposal for the next meeting of the IMC/NESIDS Committee.

*[Copy of final checklist-cum-agenda notes, as placed before the committee, along with all its enclosures, is at **Annexure-Q**]*

### **29. Summary of projects recommended for sanction for effective handling of COVID pandemic**

| Sl.No. | State     | Project Name                                                                                                                                | Amount (in crore) |
|--------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1.     | Assam     | Procurement of Ventilators (New born to Paediatric) and Oxygen Concentrators (10 LMP) for combating COVID-19 disease in pediatric age group | 28.70             |
| 2.     | Manipur   | Setting up/installation of Liquid Medical Oxygen Tank and Vaporizer 3 Nos. (one 10 KL and two no. of 20 KL) at JNIMS, Imphal East           | 6.11              |
| 3.     | Manipur   | Procurement of 2000 Nos. Oxygen Concentrators and Procurement of Oxygen Cylinder – D Type – 2000 No. and 1000 No./B type                    | 19.80             |
| 4.     | Manipur   | Strengthening for Covid-19 testing (RT-PCR, RAT and TrueNat)                                                                                | 19.25             |
| 5.     | Manipur   | Procurement of 17 ALS ambulances for 16 Districts and 1 Central Pool (Medical Directorate)                                                  | 4.25              |
| 6.     | Meghalaya | Procurement of Advanced Life Support (ALS) Ambulances with equipment                                                                        | 3.65              |
| 7.     | Mizoram   | Renovation/Up-gradation of NICU/PICU and HDU at Zoram Medical College, Falkawn, Mizoram for combating Covid-19                              | 2.77              |

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| 8.           | Mizoram | Purchase of 2 (two) TrueNat Quattro Machines in Mizoram to Combat Pandemic Covid-19 for Lawngtlai & Serchhip District                                                                         | 0.29          |
| 9.           | Mizoram | Purchase of RT-PCR reagents & RNA extraction kits to last for approximately six months for Zoram Medical College, Falkawn, Mizoram in combating Covid-19                                      | 2.53          |
| 10.          | Tripura | Medical infrastructures Strengthening for Covid-19 component by arrangement of Medical Gas (Oxygen O2), pipeline with Manifold System, Logistics (Test Kits) and X-ray machine with CR system | 19.32         |
| <b>Total</b> |         |                                                                                                                                                                                               | <b>106.67</b> |

30. With the above sanctions, the position of the tentative Normative Allocation/ available allocation of the NER States under NESIDS for FY 2021-22 is as under:

| <b>Tentative Normative Allocation (NESIDS) (Rs. in crore)</b> |                                            |                                                      |               |                                                |               |                              |                                         |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| <b>State</b>                                                  | <b>Normative allocation for FY 2021-22</b> | <b>Project Sanctioned / recommended for Sanction</b> |               | <b>Project Selected but not yet sanctioned</b> |               | <b>DoNER's portion of VI</b> | <b>Available Allocation (II-IV-VII)</b> |
|                                                               | <b>2021-22 (Tentative)</b>                 | <b>(No.)</b>                                         | <b>(Cost)</b> | <b>(No)</b>                                    | <b>(Cost)</b> |                              |                                         |
| <b>(I)</b>                                                    | <b>(II)</b>                                | <b>(III)</b>                                         | <b>(IV)</b>   | <b>(V)</b>                                     | <b>(VI)</b>   | <b>(VII)</b>                 | <b>(VIII)</b>                           |
| AP                                                            | 80.84                                      | 0                                                    | 0             | 0                                              | 0             | 0                            | 80.84                                   |
| Assam                                                         | 171.95                                     | 1                                                    | 28.70         | 0                                              | 0             | 0                            | 143.25                                  |
| Manipur                                                       | 61.78                                      | 4                                                    | 49.41         | 1                                              | 4.18          | 4.18                         | 8.19                                    |
| Meghalaya                                                     | 66.60                                      | 1                                                    | 3.65          | 0                                              | 0             | 0                            | 62.95                                   |
| Mizoram                                                       | 64.50                                      | 3                                                    | 5.59          | 0                                              | 0             | 0                            | 58.91                                   |
| Nagaland                                                      | 63.01                                      | 0                                                    | 0             | 0                                              | 0             | 0                            | 63.01                                   |
| Sikkim                                                        | 42.17                                      | 0                                                    | 0             | 1                                              | 5.33          | 5.33                         | 36.84                                   |
| Tripura                                                       | 68.14                                      | 1                                                    | 19.32         | 1                                              | 35.99         | 35.99                        | 12.83                                   |
| <b>Total</b>                                                  | <b>619.00</b>                              | <b>10</b>                                            | <b>106.67</b> | <b>3</b>                                       | <b>45.50</b>  | <b>45.50</b>                 | <b>466.82</b>                           |

31. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

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**29<sup>th</sup> meeting of Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC)/NESIDS Committee held on  
20.07.2021**

**Annexure-A**

**List of Participants**

| <b>Sl. No.</b> | <b>Organization</b>                                                           | <b>Officers attended</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
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| 1.             | Members of Inter Ministerial Committee/NESIDS Committee/their representatives | Dr. Inder Jit Singh, Secretary, M/o DoNER (in Chair)<br>Shri Naresh Kumar, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh (co-chair), on VC.<br>Shri Jishnu Barua, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Assam (co-chair), on VC.<br>Dr. Rajesh Kumar, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Manipur (co-chair), on VC.<br>Shri M.S. Rao, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Meghalaya (co-chair), on VC.<br>Shri Lalnunmawia Chuaungo, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Mizoram (co-chair), on VC.<br>Shri Kumar Alok, Chief Secretary, Govt. of Tripura (co-chair), on VC<br>Shri Shashi Ranjan Kumar AS&FA, M/o DoNER<br>Ms. A.S. Chagti, JS, M/o DoNER, on VC (Link Officer of JS, NLCPR)<br>Shri C. Rajasekhar, OSD, Ministry of External Affairs, on VC<br>Shri Naveen Kumar, Economic Officer (NE States Division), NITI Aayog on VC |
| 2.             | Other Special Invitees from Line Ministries                                   | Ms. Gayatri Mishra, Joint Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, on VC<br>Shri Elangbam Robert Singh, Director, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, on VC<br>Smt. Varinder Kaur Bhalla, Under Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, GoI, on VC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| 3.             | Government of Arunachal Pradesh                                               | Shri Prashant S. Lokhande, Commissioner (P&I), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, on VC.<br>Er. Tomo Basar, Chief Engineer(PHED), East Zone, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, on VC.<br>Shri P. Mishra, Director (PC), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, on VC.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
|                |                                                                               | Shri Millo Pushang, Joint Director (PC), Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, on VC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 4.             | Government of Assam                                                           | Shri Paban Kumar Borthakur, Additional Chief Secretary, Government of Assam , on VC<br>Sh. B. Kalyan Chakravorthy, Pr. Secretary, Sec. Education, on VC                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |

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|    |                         | Shri Anurag Goel, Pr. Secretary(Health & FW Deptt.)<br>, on VC                                           |
|    |                         | Dr. K.K. Nath, Commissioner & Secretary (T & D),<br>on VC                                                |
|    |                         | Dr. Siddharth Singh, Commissioner & Secretary<br>(Health & Family Welfare), on VC                        |
|    |                         | Sh. BhaskarPhukan, Secretary(UDD & GDD), on VC                                                           |
|    |                         | Ms. Rohini B Saikie, MD (AUWSSB), on VC                                                                  |
| 5. | Government of Manipur   | Shri Vumlunmang Vualnam, Pr. Secretary, Health &<br>Family Welfare and linked Pr. Secretary(Plg.), on VC |
|    |                         | Dr. K. Rajo Singh, Director(Health) , on VC                                                              |
|    |                         | Dr. Yumnam Suraj Singh, Deputy Secretary (Health),<br>on VC                                              |
| 6. | Government of Meghalaya | Smt. M.N. Nampui, Commissioner & Secretary<br>(Health & Family Welfare), on VC                           |
|    |                         | Shri C.V.D. Diengdoh, Secretary (Planning), on VC                                                        |
|    |                         | Shri. Ram Kumar S, Mission Director, NHM, on VC                                                          |
|    |                         | Shri R. Lyngdoh, OSD & ex-officio Secretary<br>(Planning), on VC                                         |
| 7. | Government of Mizoram   | Shri R. Lalramnghaka, Secretary (Health & Family<br>Welfare), on VC                                      |
|    |                         | Shri Lalmalsawma Pachuau, Secretary (Planning &<br>Programme Implementation), on VC                      |
|    |                         | Dr. John Zohmingthanga, Director, Zoram Medical<br>College, on VC                                        |
|    |                         | Dr. Zonunsiam, State Nodal officer, Hospital &<br>Medical Education, on VC                               |
|    |                         | Dr. Lalrinchhana, Principal Adviser cum Additional<br>Secretary, Planning Department, on VC              |
|    |                         | Sh. K. Lalthawmmawia, Secretary, Urban<br>Development & Poverty Alleviation Department, on<br>VC         |
|    |                         | Ms. Chingthanmawi Guite, Deputy Adviser, Planning<br>Deptt., on VC                                       |
| 8. | Government of Tripura   | Shri Jitendra Kumar Sinha, Pr. Secretary, Health and<br>Family Welfare, on VC                            |
|    |                         | Shri A. Roy, Secretary, Planning/ Finance<br>Department, on VC                                           |
|    |                         | Dr. Siddharth Shiv Jaiswal, Mission Director, National<br>Health Mission Tripura, on VC                  |
|    |                         | Dr. Subhasis Debbarma, Director, Health<br>Department, on VC                                             |
| 9. | Ministry of DoNER, Gol  | Shri S. D. Meena, Deputy Secretary                                                                       |
|    |                         | Shri G.S. Maheshwal, SE, TW                                                                              |
|    |                         | Shri Purushottam Verma, DS (IFD)                                                                         |

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|  | Shri A.K. Pandey, Under Secretary              |
|  | Shri N.K. Saha, Under Secretary                |
|  | Ms. Kusum Singh, Senior Statistical Officer    |
|  | Shri Viveka Nand, Senior Secretariat Assistant |

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