



GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

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From

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Additional Chief Secretary to Government,

To

All Collector & District Magistrates /
All Municipal Commissioners/
All CDMO & PHOs/
Principal of all Medical Colleges.

Sub: Increase in frequency of refilling of oxygen cylinders.

Ref: My earlier letter No. 388, Dated 24.04.2021.

Sir/ Madam,

As you are aware, the requirement of oxygen for treatment of COVID patients are increasing day by day with the increase in number of positive cases. Although adequate arrangements have been made in all districts for oxygen cylinders and each health institution of the districts have been tagged to one or more cylinder refilling centers, it is necessary to increase the frequency and number of vehicles being sent for refilling of oxygen cylinders in order to maintain continuity of supply. In this regard, in continuation to the existing Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) and necessary guidelines already communicated to you earlier vide letter No. 388, dated 24.04.2021 (Copy enclosed), the following arrangements must be made immediately.

1. The number of vehicles engaged for transportation of cylinders to and from refilling centers must be suitably increased. At any given point of time, at least one vehicle should be available as reserve as stand by for meeting any eventuality on account of vehicle breakdown or staff absence.
2. All these vehicles have to be fitted with GPS tracking system. Please send the list of vehicles along with contact details to ensure fitting up GPS tracking devices to Shri Manoj Kumar Mishra, Secretary, Electronics & IT Department, Government of Odisha along with a copy to Drugs Controller, Odisha.

- The number of times vehicles carrying empty cylinders are sent to refilling centers must be substantially increased so as to ensure that empty cylinders are not stranded at any Health institution.
- A responsible officer must be kept in charge of monitoring the refilling of oxygen cylinders and their transportation who shall be responsible for the above arrangements. The name and contract details of such officer must be sent to Drugs Controller and MD, IPICOL immediately.

You are requested to take necessary action as per the above and ensure compliance.

Yours faithfully,


Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Memo No. 13599 /, Bhubaneswar, dated 07-05-2021

Copy forwarded to Drugs Controller, Odisha, Bhubaneswar / MD, IPICOL, Odisha, Bhubaneswar for information and necessary action.


Deputy Secretary to Government

Memo No. 13600 /Bhubaneswar, dated 07-05-2021

Copy forwarded to SRC, Odisha, Bhubaneswar / Principal Secretary, Industries Department / Secretary, Electronics & IT Department for information and necessary action.


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Letter No 388 / Dated 24/04/2021

To

All Collectors & all Municipal Commissioners
Medical Suptd., all Govt. Medical Colleges.
All C.D.M. & P.H.Os of the State.

Sub: Filling up of empty Oxygen cylinders for use in D.C.H.C., D.C.H. & CCCs,

Sir,

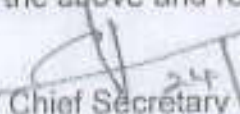
The following modalities have been worked out to meet the demand of Oxygen cylinders in the D.C.H.C., D.C.H & CCCs during the current pandemic.

1. The Drugs Inspector of the district shall ensure timely dispatch of the empty cylinders to the assigned fillers and inform his counterpart at which the filler is stationed for timely filling of the cylinders.
2. The Drugs Inspector shall identify a collection point for 3 to 4 CCCs in consultation with the Medical Superintendents / CDM & PHOs and assign transport vehicles to each collection point.
3. The Medical Superintendents / CDM & PHOs shall engage vehicles for transportation of the Oxygen cylinders by utilizing existing vehicles or by hiring private vehicles following financial guidelines. The details of these vehicles must be shared with the local Drugs Inspector for GPS tagging.
4. The hiring charges can be met from Public Health Response Funds or any other suitable head from which transportation charges towards COVID-19 management are being currently met.

You are requested to implement the above and report compliance.

Memo No. 389 /

Copy forwarded to Shri Hemant Sharma, Principal Secretary, Industries Department/Shri Manoj Kumar Mishra, Secretary, E&IT Department for favour of information and necessary action.


Additional Chief Secretary to Government
Date: 24/04/2021


Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Memo No. 390 /

Date: 24/04/2021

Copy forwarded to the Drugs Controller, Odisha for information & necessary action. All Drugs Inspectors under his control may be instructed for timely dispatch of the empty cylinders to the fillers and timely filling of the cylinders.


Additional Chief Secretary to Government