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By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Eshant V. Sawant, Under Secretary (Home-II).

Porvorim, 6th May, 2021.



Department of Public Health

Order

No. 21/6/2021-I/PHD/968

Whereas, it has been observed that for shifting of Patients from Private Hospitals to other Government Hospitals, the services of 108 EMRI Ambulances are being currently utilized in some cases;

And whereas, it has come to notice that for shifting of non-serious patients, who are not in need of oxygen, to COVID Care Centres, the services of Advanced Life Saving (ALS) & 108 EMRI ambulances are being utilized in this regard;

And whereas, Ambulances are being made to wait in Hospital lobby area for more than 90 minutes after requisitioning, mainly on account of delay due to paper work and discharge formalities.

And whereas, Ambulances are Critical Resources and have to be put to optimum utilization in the existing scenario of COVID-19.

Now therefore, in terms of Section 2(1) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, Government hereby issues the following directives for strict compliance:

(1) For shifting of patients from Private Hospitals to any other Government Hospitals, Private Hospitals are hereby directed to ensure the same through their own fleet of Ambulances. The Services of 108 EMRI Ambulances should not be utilized in this regard in case such an ambulance is available with the Hospitals.

(2) For shifting of non-serious patients, who are not in need of Oxygen, to Covid Care Centres, it shall be done only through Non-ALS Ambulances or Bal-Raths placed at the disposal of concerned Hospitals.

(3) The inter-facility transfer of patients shall as far as possible be done only after getting requisite clearance of Medical Superintendent/PRO/Nodal Officer of destination Hospital to reduce waiting time for the concerned patients.

(4) The Ambulances be requisitioned by the Government Hospitals after the paper work and discharge formalities are completed, so as to ensure minimum waiting time for Ambulances.

(5) Ambulance Operators be advised to ensure that, as far as possible, an attendant or any family member is brought along, to ensure facilitation in joining formalities.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

Vikas S. N. Gaunekar, Additional Secretary (Health).

Porvorim, 4th May 2021.