

Department of Public Health

Order

No. 21/9/2021-I/PHD/1066

Whereas, it has come to the notice that some Private Ambulance Drivers/service Providers are charging exorbitant rate(s) in the State of Goa during the COVID-19 pandemic for transporting patients which is a matter of serious concern.

Now therefore, in exercise of powers under Section 2(1) of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897, the Government hereby prescribes following capping of the fares for the Patient Transport Ambulance (PTA); Basic Life Support Ambulance (BLS) and Advanced Life Support Ambulance (ALS) and for Hearse Vans, for use of COVID patients and for transportation of COVID dead bodies as under:-

(I) AMBULANCE

S. No.	Category of Ambulance	Rates in Rs. (all inclusive, including oxygen, all ambulance equipment, PPE kit, gloves, mask shield, sanitization, drivers, EMT, doctor etc.
1.	Patient Transport Ambulance (PTA)	Rs. 1500/- per call upto 10 kms. and Rs. 50/- per extra kms. above 10 kms. Rs. 25/- per km. return charges.
2.	Basic Life Support Ambulance (BLS)	Rs. 2000/- per call upto 10 kms. and Rs. 50/- per extra kms. above 10 kms. Rs. 25/- per km. return charges.
3.	Advanced Life Support Ambulance (AIS)	Rs. 4000/- per call upto 10 kms. and Rs. 50/- per extra kms. above 10 kms. Rs. 25/- per km. return charges.

(II) HEARSE VAN

1.	Hearse Van	Rs. 1500/- plus Rs. 25/- per km. Rs. 12.50 per km. for return charges.
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❖ The above charges capped are final charges and the operator is not allowed to charge under whatsoever other charges for service rendered.

If any instance of charging rates higher than the aforesaid maximum comes to the notice by any Private Ambulance/Hearse Van Driver/Service Provider/Operator/Owner, strict action as per applicable laws shall be taken which may include:-

1. Cancellation or suspension of the driving license of Ambulance or Hearse Van Driver.

2. Cancellation or suspension of registration certificate of Ambulance/Hearse Van.
3. Impounding of the Vehicle/Ambulance/Hearse Van.
By order and in the name of the Governor of Goa.

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

Porvorim, 13th May, 2021.

Order

No. 23/20/2014-I/PHD/Part IV/1087

Read:- Government Order No. 23/20/2014-I/PHD/Part IV/886 dated 24-04-2021.

Whereas, Government vide Order read at preamable had notified the health facility of Mormugao Port Trust Hospital, Headland Sada, Vasco as dedicated "COVID-19 Hospital, Vasco" for the State of Goa.

And whereas, it appears necessary to rationalize the Centres operational and resources deployed for combating COVID-19 pandemic;

Now therefore, in view of above, Government has approved to temporarily de-notify the Mormugao Port Trust Hospital, Headland, Sada, Vasco as COVID-19 Hospital, Vasco.

Consequently, all the patients at Mormugao Port Trust Hospital shall be shifted to South Goa District Hospital, Margao (COVID-19 Hospital, Margao) or Sub-District Hospital, Ponda or Sub-District Hospital, Chicalim as the case may be after proper clinical assessment. All the staff deployed at Mormugao Port Trust Hospital, Headland, Sada, Vasco either own or by the Directorate of Health Services or Goa Medical College shall henceforth report to the Nodal Officer of South Goa District Hospital, Margao (COVID-19 Hospital, Magao) for their further deployment.

Mormugao Port Trust Hospital, Headland, Sada, Vasco shall remain as stand-by to be activated whenever required.

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

Gautami S. Parmekar, Under Secretary (Health).
Porvorim, 18th May 2021.

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