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HARYANA GOVERNMENT

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Notification

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No. 46/21/2025-5HBII.— The Governor of Haryana is satisfied that leprosy is a major public health concern. The early diagnosis and complete treatment reduce the transmission of leprosy in the community. It also reduces the risk of long-term complications and disability. The ordinary provisions of law for the time being in force is insufficient for prevention and control of leprosy. Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by section 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act 1897, the Governor of Haryana is pleased to make the following regulations, namely:

1. Short Title, Extent and commencement:

- a. These regulations may be called the Haryana Epidemic Disease (Leprosy) Regulations, 2025.
- b. These regulations shall be applicable in the entire State of Haryana.
- c. These shall come into force on and with effect from the date of their publication in the official Gazette.

2. Definitions; In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires

- a. "Act" means Epidemic Diseases Act 1897.
- b. "Epidemic Disease" means Leprosy.
- c. "Government of Haryana" means Government in the Department of Health and Family Welfare
- d. "NLEP" means National Leprosy Eradication Programme.

3. Authorized Persons: For the purpose of implementation of these regulations, the following shall be the authorized persons

- a. **Department of Health and Family Welfare:** Director General Health Services, Additional Director General Health Services, Director Health Services, State Leprosy Officer for the entire State of Haryana. Civil Surgeon, District Leprosy Officers, Dermatologist, Non Medical Supervisor and Para Medical Worker for their respective districts.
- b. **District Administration:** Deputy Commissioner, Additional Deputy Commissioners and Sub. divisional Magistrates in their respective districts.

4. Power of Authorized Persons:

- a. Authorized persons can enter any premises for contact tracing of positive leprosy cases after informing the occupants/owners of the premises.
- b. Authorized persons or such other person as may be authorized by the Government can enter upon and inspect any Govt. or Private health facility/laboratory to monitor the implementation of the guidelines issued under these regulations.
- c. The owner/occupant of any premises being entered/inspected upon by the Authorized Person shall extend all support and cooperation to the Authorized Person and shall provide all such information, as may be required, by the Authorized Person.

5. Health Facilities

All the healthcare providers shall notify every leprosy case to concerned Civil Surgeon every month. Further, all health care providers shall provide all the information regarding detection of leprosy cases to the concerned Civil Surgeon as and when required by Health Department, Haryana and format for the purpose of the reporting shall be provided by Health Department, Haryana.

6. Reporting:

- a. All Hospitals, whether in Government or Private, shall report all the cases of leprosy as and when reported in their health care facility to the Civil Surgeon of their respective district.
- b. All Hospitals and Laboratories; whether in Government or Private, shall report all the leprosy cases as and when confirmed to the Civil Surgeon of their district.

7. Treatment:

- a. All confirmed leprosy cases should be given Multi Drug Therapy (MDT) treatment.
- b. All Hospitals, whether in Government or Private, shall manage the leprosy cases as per the guidelines/categorization issued from time to time by Govt. of India.

8. No person/institution or organization shall use any print or electronic media for the information regarding leprosy without the prior permission of the Govt. of Haryana. This is to avoid the spread of any discrimination against person affected by leprosy.**9. Penalty:** Any person/institution or organization violating any provisions of these regulations or ordered issued under these regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 3 of the epidemic Disease Act, 1897 i.e. if the disobedience results in obstruction, annoyance, or injury to any person lawfully employed, the offender faces simple imprisonment up to six months, a fine up to 2,500/- or both and if the disobedience poses a danger to human life, health, safety, or leads to a riot or affray, the punishment increases to imprisonment up to one year, a fine up to Rs. 5,000/- or both.**10. Bar on Legal Proceedings:** No suit or legal proceeding shall lie against any person for anything done intended to be done in good faith under these regulations unless proved otherwise.**11. Duration:** These regulations shall remain valid up to 2030 from the date commencement.

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