# Government of Tripura Health and Family Welfare Department

## No.F.14 (43) GNL/NVBDCP/DFWPM/2016-17/1456-1621

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# NOTIFICATION

Whereas the Government of Tripura is satisfied that the State of Tripura is threatened with the outbreak of dangerous epidemic diseases namely Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis & Dengue and that the ordinary provisions of law for the time being in force are insufficient for the purpose. Now, therefore, in exercise of the power conferred by Section – 2 of the Epidemic Disease Act. 1897, the Governor of Tripura is pleased to make the following regulation namely:-

1. These regulations may be called the Tripura Epidemic Diseases Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis & Dengue Regulations, 2016.

2. In these regulations unless the context otherwise requires :

- a. Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis & Dengue are included in the list of epidemic diseases.
- b. "Passive Surveillance Centre" means any place which may be declared by the Director of Health Services, Govt. of Tripura to be a passive surveillance centre where a patient reports as a case of fever.
- c. "Inspecting Officer" means a person appointed by the Director, Health & Family Welfare, Tripura or the Chief Medical Officer of the district concerned in the State of Tripura to be an Inspecting Officer.

3. An Inspecting Officer, who is unavoidably prevented from discharging all or anyone of the functions may by order in writing appoint District Health Officer, Senior Medical Officer, Epidemiologist, Entomologist, Medical Officer, Multipurpose Health Supervisor, Multipurpose Health Worker, Entomological Assistant, Field Assistant, Insect collector or Insect Setter to discharge such function. Every officer/ official so appointed shall so far as such functions are concerned be deemed for the purpose of these regulations to be an Inspecting Officer.

4. An Inspecting Officer may enter any premises for the purpose of fever surveillance, treatment, anti-larval measures, fogging or spray. He / She may also authorize other persons of his / her team to enter such premises along with him / her as he / she considers necessary.

5. An Inspecting Officer may put any question as he / she considers fit in order to ascertain whether there is any reason to believe of suspect that such person is or may be suffering from Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis or Dengue and such person shall give answer to him / her.

6. Whether as a result of such inspection or examination or otherwise, the Inspector Officer considers that there is reasons to believe or suspect that such person is or may be infected with Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis or Dengue, Inspecting Officer may direct such person to give his / her blood slide / blood sample for examination and to take treatment for the disease he / she is suffering from. In case of the minor, such order shall be directed to the guardians or any other adult member of the family of the minor.

7. The Inspecting Officer may order any premises to be sprayed with the insecticide / larvicide.

8. The doctors in Government Health institutions and the registered medical private practitioners of the private hospitals / clinics are required to get the blood slides / RD Test Kits prepared for all fever cases reported. A patient can be declared positive for Malaria only when

blood slide or RD Test Kits is found positive. The information of the positive cases of the Malaria should be sent to the nearest Government Health institution immediately after the diagnosis and treatment can be started in the field level, if possible. The blood slide of the positive cases should also be submitted to the nearest Health institutions within seven (7) days and 50 % of all the positive & 8.5% of negative cases to be sent to the State Laboratory for cross checking. The above functionaries should ensure the complete Radical Treatment of the Malaria positive cases with Choloquinine / ACT-AL along with Primaquinine as per the Drug Policy of Malaria issued by Government of India.

9. The doctor in Government Health institutions and the registered medical private practitioners of the private hospital / clinics are required to inform immediately to the Chief Medical Officer / Sub-divisional Medical Officer / Medical Officer of PHC/CHC of the concerned districts /sub-division, if a suspected case of Japanese Encephalitis / Dengue is reported at their health institution.

10. The blood samples of all Japanese Encephalitis / Dengue suspected cases have to be sent at the Sentinel Surveillance Hospital (SSH) in the Government Health Institution of the concerned State / District (SSH) for examination. A patient can be declared positive for Japanese Encephalitis only on the basis of ELISA technique of testing and not by RDT. The information of the positive case of the Japanese Encephalitis / Dengue should be sent to the office of the Chief Medical Officer immediately after the diagnosis.

11. The management of the Japanese Encephalitis / Dengue suspected / confirmed cases need to be done as per the guidelines issued by the Government of India / State Government from time to time and available on the website of the Department of NVBDCP, Government of India.

12. Chief Medical Officer shall furnish report of all positive cases of Malaria, Japanese Encephalitis & Dengue to the State Programme Officer, NVBDCP and State Surveillance Officer, IDSP.

13. These regulations shall come into force from the date of publication of this notification and shall remain valid until further notification.

By order of the Governor (M. Nagaraju) Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department. Government of Tripura

#### Copy to:

- 1. PS to the Hon'ble Minister, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Tripura.
- 2. PS to the Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Tripura.
- 3. The Director, Health Services, Govt. of Tripura.
- 4. The Director, Family Welfare & P.M, Govt. of Tripura.
- 5. The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Tripura.
- 6. The Principal, Agartala Government Medical College & GBP Hospital, Agartala.
- 7. The Principal, Tripura Medical College & BRAM Hospital, Agartala.
- 8. The State Programme Officer, NVBDCP, Tripura.
- 9. The State Surveillance Officer, IDSP Tripura.
- 10. The Medical Superintendent, Gobind Ballav Pant Hospital, Agartala, Tripura West / Indira Gandhi Memorial Hospital, Agartala, Tripura West / Tripura Medical College & Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Memorial Teaching Hospital, Agartala, Tripura West / Tripura Sundari District Hospital, Gomati district / Rajib Gandhi Memorial Hospital, Kailashahar, Unokuti district / District Hospital, Santibazar, South Tripura district / District Hospital, Dhalai, Kulai / District Hospital, North Tripura district, Dharmanagra / Khowai District Hospital, Khowai district.

- 11. The Chief Medical Officer, West (Agartala) / Sepahijala (Bishalghar) / Khowai (Khowai) / Gomati (Udaipur) / South (Belonia) / Unokati (Kailashahar) / North (Dharmanagar) / Dhalai (Ambasa) district.
- The District Vector Borne Disease Control Officer, West (Agartala) / Sepahijala (Bishalghar) / Khowai (Khowai) / Gomati (Udaipur) / South (Belonia) / Unokati (Kailashahar) / North (Dharmanagar) / Dhalai (Ambasa) district.
- 13. The Sub-divisional Medical Officer
- 14. The Medical Officer In-charge \_\_\_\_
- 15. The President, Indian Medical Association, Tripura State Branch, JB Road, Agartala, Tripura West.
- 16. The President, All Tripura Government Doctors Association, Tripura State, A.K Road, Agartala, Tripura West.
- 17. All State Consultant, NVBDCP Section.
- 18. All District Vector Borne Disease Consultant.
- 19. Website Section, SH&FWS, Tripura for publication the said notification in <u>www.</u> <u>tripuranrhm.gov.in</u> website.

#### Copy also forwarded to:

- The Director. National Vector Borne Diseases Control Programme, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India, DMRC Building, Block-III, Ground Floor, Delhi IT Park, Shastri Park, DELHI – 110053.
- 2. The Sr. Regional Director, Regional Officer for Health & Family Welfare, 27 J.C Block, Sector -3, Kolkata 700106.

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