

Abstract

LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT DEPARTMENT – Rashtria Swasthya Bima Yojana (National Health Insurance Scheme) for Unorganised sector workers belonging to Below Poverty Line (BPL) category and their families – Implementation of the Scheme in Kancheepuram and Tirunelveli Districts of Tamil Nadu on pilot basis – Orders – Issued.

Labour and Employment (I1) Department

G.O. (Ms) No.16

Dated 20.2.2008

Read:-

- 1. From the Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment, New Delhi, D.O. letter No. M-21011/5/2007-RW(HIS), dated 11.9.2007.
- From the Director General Labour Welfare, Government of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment, New Delhi, D.O. letter No. M-21021/06/2007-RW(HIS), dated 8.10.2007.
- 3. From the Commissioner of Labour, Chennai, letter No.Z3/52521/2007, dated 31.10.2007.
- 4. From the Commissioner of Labour, Chennai, letter No.T/52521/2007, dated 22.1.2008.

ORDER:

In the letters first and second read above the Government of India have intimated that *Rashtria Swasthya Bima Yojana* [National Health Insurance Scheme] for unorganized sector workers belonging to below poverty line categories and their families (BPL Families) has been launched on 1.10.2007, with a view to providing health cover to such families. The BPL worker and his family (unit of five) would be covered under the scheme for total insured sum of Rs.30,000/- per family per annum on a family floater basis. All BPL families are to be covered in phased manner in the next five years under the Scheme commencing from the year 2008-2009. The Central Government will contribute 75% of the total premium amount of Rs.750/- per year per family (i.e., maximum of Rs.565/-), and the State Government have to contribute 25% of the premium (i.e., Rs.185/- per year per family). Any other additional

premium has to be met by the State Government. The cost of issuance of smart card to the beneficiaries will be borne by the Central Government. All the administrative and other expenses for implementation of the scheme are also to be met by the State Government. Registration / renewal fee of Rs.30/- per BPL family per year is to be collected for availing benefits under the scheme. It has also been stated that the benefits under the scheme include cashless attendance to all covered ailments, hospitalization expenses, taking care of most common illnesses, all pre-existing diseases to be covered and reimbursement of the transportation costs (up to Rs.100/- per visit) within an overall limit of Rs.1000/- per annum. The State Government has to implement the scheme after approval of the proposal by the Approval and Monitoring Committee constituted by the Central Government.

- 2. The Commissioner of Labour in his letter third and fourth read above has, among other things, proposed that the scheme may be implemented in Kancheepuram and Tirunelveli Districts on pilot basis in Tamil Nadu.
- 3. The Government have examined the above proposal in detail and accept in principle to implement the scheme in Kancheepuram and Tirunelveli Districts of Tamil Nadu on pilot basis, as per the guidelines issued by the Government of India.
- 4. The Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board will be the 'Nodal Agency' for implementation of the scheme and the Commissioner of Labour will be the 'Controlling Officer', and the Additional Commissioner of Labour will act as 'Coordinator' of the scheme.
- 5. The Government constitute a 'Health Insurance Scheme Support Cell' under the chairmanship of the Commissioner of Labour with the following officials as members:-

(i) Commissioner of Labour,
Chennai ... Chairman

(ii) Additional Commissioner of Labour,
Office of the Commissioner of Labour,
Chennai ... Member

(iii) Director of Medical and Rural Health Services, Chennai ... Member

(iv) Joint Commissioner, Land Reforms Commissionerate, Chennai ... Member

(v) Secretary, Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board, Chennai

... Member-Secretary 6. To coordinate and monitor the Scheme, the Government constitute a 'State Level Inter-departmental Coordination and Monitoring Committee' with following officials:-

(i) Secretary to Government,
Labour and Employment Department ... Chairman

(ii) Secretary to Government,
Health and Family Welfare Department ... Member

(iii) Special Secretary to Government, Finance Department ... Member

(iv) Commissioner of Land Reforms,
Chennai. ... Member

(v) Director, Rural Development Department,
Chennai ... Member

(vi) Commissioner of Municipal Administration, Chennai ... Member

(vii) Commissioner of Labour, Chennai ... Member-Secretary

- 7. The Government also direct that the Nodal Agency mentioned above shall take necessary action to implement the scheme, viz, determining the list of diseases and therapeutic methods to be covered under the scheme, identifying the Health Institutions to be recognized under the scheme in the above said two districts, and preparing the draft project proposal with the involvement of all departments concerned, etc., as per the guidelines of the scheme issued by the Government of India.
- 8. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, vide its U.O.No.35/DS(APA)/2008-1, dated 20.2.2008.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

RAMESH KUMAR KHANNA SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

Τo

The Secretary to Government of India, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Shram Shakthi Bhavan, New Delhi. The Commissioner of Labour, Chennai 600006. The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Construction Workers Welfare Board, Chennai 600 034. The Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department, Chennai 600 009.

The Special Secretary to Government,

Finance Department, Chennai 600 009.

The Commissioner of Land Reforms, Chennai 600 005.

The Director, Rural Development Department, Chennai 600 005.

The Commissioner of Municipal Administration,

Chennai 600 005.

The Additional Commissioner of Labour,

Office of the Commissioner of Labour, Chennai 600 006.

The Director of Medical and Rural Health Services,

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The Joint Commissioner, Land Reforms Commissionerate, Chennai 600 005.

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The Pay and Accounts Officer (East / North / South), Chennai.

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The Senior Personal Assistant to the Minister for Finance,

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The Secretary to Chief Minister, Chennai 600 009.

The Tamil Nadu Information Commission, Chennai 600 018.

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Section Officer