



National Health Mission – Tamil Nadu – State level prevalence survey for implementing the programme of Tuberculosis free Tamil Nadu by 2025 at a cost of Rs.9.07 crores – Permission – Orders – Issued.

Health and Family Welfare (EAP II-2) Department

G.O (Ms) No.229

Dated :02.06.2020
Sarvari, Vaigasi- 20
Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2051

Read:

1. From the Mission Director, National Health Mission letter Ref.No.1223//NHM/RNTCP/2019, dated 14.02.2019.
2. G.O(Ms)No.530, Health and Family Welfare (EAP.II.2) Department, dated: 26.11.2019.
3. From the Mission Director, National Health Mission letter Ref.No.1223//NHM/RNTCP/2019, dated 14.01.2020.

ORDER:

The Mission Director, National Health Mission in his letter first read above, has stated that, the National Health Policy 2017 of Government of India envisages achieving and maintaining elimination of TB cases by 2025. In this context, the Government of India has initiated the process to conduct the Tuberculosis National Prevalence Survey in co-ordination with National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, Chennai. The Government of India has initiated the process to conduct the Tuberculosis National Prevalence Survey in Co-ordination with National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, Chennai (NIRT). The Government of Tamil Nadu has developed a strategic vision document for the elimination of Tuberculosis in Tamil Nadu by the year 2025. During the Review Meeting conducted by the then Chief Secretary held on 15.12.2018, it was decided to conduct the National and State Prevalence Survey concurrently through National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis. Hence, the Mission Director, National Health Mission had included the budget amount of Rs. 9.07 crores required for conducting the State Prevalence Survey in PIP 2019-20 and the said amount was approved in RoP 2019-20 under the budget head "Any Others".

2. The Mission Director, National Health Mission has further stated that during the 37th Executive Committee meeting held on 11.02.2019, necessary proposals for release of funds for conducting the State Prevalence Survey, was placed as an Agenda No. 49/37/2019. As per the minutes of Executive Committee, the Nodal Agency has been authorized to conduct the National Surveillance Survey along with the State Prevalence Survey. Accordingly, he has sent necessary proposal to the Government to issue orders on the following :-

- i. The National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis which is Nodal Agency to conduct National Survey may be permitted to conduct the State Level Prevalence Survey along with National Survey, within a year to cover all districts with the support of central TB division, who will provide seven mobile x-ray units.
- ii. Mission Director / State TB Officer may be permitted to sign an Memorandum of Understanding with National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis in this regard.
- iii. Mission Director, National Health Mission may be permitted to release the above fund of Rs.9.07 crores to the Director, National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, Chennai with condition to render accounts and audits for the fund, along with survey reports on receipt of Memorandum of Understanding.

3. In the Government order second read above, a Committee with the following composition was constituted under section 16 (bb) of Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1988 to examine and recommend, exempting the procurement related to State Prevalence Survey for TB free Tamil Nadu 2025 from the open tendering as follows :-

Sl.No.	Committee Members
1.	The Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department
2.	The Secretary to Government, Health and Family Welfare Department
3.	The Mission Director, National Health Mission
4.	The Joint Director, State Tuberculosis Office
5.	The Professor and Head of Department of Epidemiology, Tamil Nadu Dr.MGR Medical University

4. In the letter third read above, the Mission Director, National Health Mission has stated that, as per the orders issued in G.O(Ms)No.530, Health and Family Welfare (EAPII-2) Department, dated: 26.11.2019 the committee was constituted and furnished the recommendation as follows:-

- “(i) In this regard, based on the justification provided and considering the nature of activity it is hereby recommended that National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis, Chennai, the pioneer institute in Tuberculosis Research Projects may be permitted to conduct this survey along with National Prevalence Survey using same sampling methodology, survey questionnaire, manpower training, etc., in line with the National TB National Prevalence Survey to avoid any data comparability issues in future if conducted by any other agency.
- (ii) The Mission Director, National Health Mission may be permitted to release a sum of Rs.9.07 Crores approved in ROP 2019-20 (FMR Code – 10.2.14), to National Institute of Research in Tuberculosis (NIRT) for the proposed State TB Prevalence Survey as approved by Government of India in ROP 2019-20.”

5. The Mission Director, National Health Mission has requested the Government to issue necessary orders in this regard.

6. The Government have examined the above recommendation in detail and accordingly do and hereby issue orders on the following :-

- i. The National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis is permitted to conduct the State level prevalence survey along with the National Prevalence survey within a year to cover all the districts with the support of Central TB Division, who will provide seven mobile X-ray units.
- ii. Exemption is accorded to the National Health Mission under section 16 (bb) of the Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 for signing the Memorandum of Understanding with National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis for conducting the State Level Prevalence Survey along with the National Prevalence Survey for implement the TB Free Tamil Nadu, 2025 programme.
- iii. The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Tamil Nadu is permitted to release the fund of Rs. 9.07 Crores (Rupees Nine Crore and Seven lakh only) to the Director, National Institute for Research in Tuberculosis (NIRT), Chennai with condition to render accounts and audits for the fund along with survey reports etc.
- iv. The Mission Director, National Health Mission is also directed to initiate the State level prevalence survey activities in accordance with the COVID 19 situations.

7. Necessary notification required under section 16(bb) of Tamil Nadu Transparency in Tenders Act, 1998 will be issued separately by Finance (salaries) Department.

8. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its U.O.No.15618/Fin.(Salaries)/2020, dated:26.5.2020.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

**BEELA RAJESH
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

To

The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Chennai - 6.

The Principal Secretary to Government, Finance Department, Chennai-9.

The Additional Director of Medical and Rural Health Service (TM) /

State Tuberculosis Officer, Chennai-6.

The Joint Director, State Tuberculosis Office, Chennai – 6.

The Professor and Head of Department of Epidemiology,

Tamil Nadu DR MGR Medical University, Chennai – 32.

The Accountant General, Chennai – 600 018.

The Pay and Accounts Officer, concerned

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The Under Secretary, Finance (Salaries) Department, Chennai- 9 (w.e)

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