



## **ABSTRACT**

National Health Mission – State Health Society – Tamil Nadu – National Programme for Prevention and Control of Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Diseases and Stroke - Provision of Free Pathological Services - Creation of Ten posts of Pathologists at one Pathologist per District Head Quarter Hospital for Ten non Medical College District Head Quarter Hospitals - Sanctioned – Orders – Issued.

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### **Health and Family Welfare (EAP II-1) Department**

G.O(Ms)No.498

Dated :25.10.2018  
Vilambi, Ippasi- 8  
Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2049

Read:

From the Mission Director, State Health Society, TamilNadu, Letter No.7789/FPS/SNC/2017 dated: 07 03.2018.

### **ORDER:**

Non Communicable Disease intervention programme is being implemented in all the districts in Tamil Nadu through all the health facilities on a 'facility based mode'. The screening covers three types of cancers of public health importance namely Cervical, Breast and Oral Cancer. The biggest challenge in the program is ensuring histopathological tests for those patients for whom biopsy is taken to confirm the diagnosis. At present, the facility for histopathological examination is available only in the Medical College Hospitals which are already overburdened as they cater to the service needs of neighbouring districts where there is no Government Medical colleges.

2. There are 13 districts which do not have a Medical College Hospital and therefore lacks provision of Pathology laboratory services. The public who opt for tests in private Pathology laboratories incur heavy Out-of-pocket Expenditure (OOPE). In addition to it, there is inordinate delay in receiving the reports from the Government Medical colleges for those in the neighbouring districts of Medical College Hospital districts. Thus, the continuum of care gets affected besides the issues of accessibility and timely reporting.

3. The Mission Director, State Health Society, in his letter read above has therefore proposed to establish Pathology laboratory at the District Head Quarters Hospital level in those districts which do not have Medical colleges. When histopathology services and reporting in these districts get established, the existing Pathology laboratories in the neighbouring or far away Medical College Hospitals will be relieved of their excess work load thereby improving the quality of their own routine work. The Institute of Pathology at Madras Medical College Chennai will act as the Apex institute for providing the necessary guidance for establishing the Pathology laboratories in the districts where free pathological services is proposed to

be established. However, as per Supplementary Record of Proceedings 2017-2018 PIP approval, Government of India have given approval for the post of a Pathologist in each of the following ten Districts:

Sl. No	District	Name of the Hospital
1.	Cuddalore	District Head Quarter Hospital, Cuddalore
2.	Dindigul	District Head Quarter Hospital, Dindigul
3.	Erode	District Head Quarter Hospital, Erode
4.	Nagapattinam	District Head Quarter Hospital, Nagapattinam
5.	Namakkal	District Head Quarter Hospital, Namakkal
6.	Perambalur	District Head Quarter Hospital, Perambalur
7.	Ramanathapuram	District Head Quarter Hospital, Ramanathapuram
8.	Tiruppur	District Head Quarter Hospital, Tiruppur
9.	Tiruvallur	District Head Quarter Hospital, Tiruvallur
10.	Virudhunagar	District Head Quarter Hospital, Virudhunagar

4. The Government of India have approved provision of ten Pathologists with one Pathologist per district as presented below:-

Budget Head	Total no. of posts	Record of Proceedings Approval
Free Pathological Services	10 (one each)	Approved 30 lakh for 10 Pathologists @ Rs 1,00,000/- pm for 3 months

The same had been approved by the Executive Committee also.

5. The Mission Director, State Health Society, has now requested the Government to create 10 posts of Pathologists in time scale of pay with one per District Head Quarter Hospital for ten District Head Quarter Hospitals of Cuddalore, Dindigul, Erode, Nagapattinam, Namakkal, Perambalur, Ramanathapuram, Tiruppur, Tiruvallur and Virudhunagar for establishing and providing free pathological services as presented below :-

Designation	Qualification	Rank/Level of post	Mode of Recruitment
Pathologist	<u>Essential:</u> MBBS with M.D in Pathology  <u>Desirable:</u> Two years of experience post MD	Asst. Surgeon (Pathologist) – in the minimum of pay Rs 56,100/- (Level-22 Rs 56100 - 177500) Or Senior Asst. Surgeon (Pathologist) in the minimum of pay Rs.56,900/- (Level-23, Rs.56900 - 180500) Or Civil Surgeon (Pathologist) in the minimum pay of Rs. 59300/- (Level-25, Rs 59300 - 187700)	Recruitment through MRB

6. The Government after careful examination have decided to accept the proposal of the Mission Director, National Health Mission in para (5) above and accord sanction for creation of ten posts of pathologists in time-scale of pay at one post per district to the District Head Quarter Hospitals of Cuddalore, Dindigul, Erode,

Nagapattinam, Namakkal, Perambalur, Ramanathapuram, Tiruppur, Tiruvallur and Virudhunagar for establishing and providing free pathological Services with qualification and mode of recruitment as follows:-

Designation	Qualification	Rank/Level of post	Mode of Recruitment/Cadre controlling authority
Pathologist	<u>Essential:</u> MBBS with M.D in Pathology  <u>Desirable:</u> Two years of experience post MD	Asst. Surgeon (Pathologist) – in the minimum of pay Rs. 56,100/- (Level - 22 Rs. 56100 - 177500) Or Senior Asst. Surgeon (Pathologist) in the minimum of pay Rs.56900/- (Level-23, Rs.56900 - 180500) Or Civil Surgeon (Pathologist) in the minimum pay of Rs. 59300/- (Level-25, Rs 59300 - 187700)	Recruitment through Medical Requirement Board Director of Medical and Rural Health Services will be the cadre control authority for all the 10 posts

7. (i) The Mission Director, National Health Mission is permitted to remit salary component of the 10 post of pathologists created above to following the Receipt Head of account:-

“0211 – 00 – Family Welfare – 800 other Receipts – AN – Receipts under National Rural Health Mission”.

(ii) The expenditure sanctioned in para 7(i) above shall be debited in the following Head of Account:

2210 MEDICAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH – 01 Urban Health Services Allopathy – 110 Hospitals and Dispensaries – State’s Expenditure AA District Head quarters Hospitals – 01 Salaries

(DPC 2210 – 01 – 110 – AA – 0106)

8. The expenditure sanctioned in para – 7 above shall constitute an item of “New Instrument of Service” and the approval of Legislature will be obtained in due course. Pending approval of the Legislature, the expenditure may be initially met by drawal of an advance from the Contingency Fund. The Director of Medical and Rural Health Services is directed to calculate the actual amount required for the period upto next Supplementary Estimates and apply for sanction of the same as advance from the Contingency Fund to Finance (BG.I) Department directly in Form A appended to the Tamil Nadu Contingency Fund Rules 1963 along with a copy of this order. Orders for sanction of an advance from the Contingency Fund will be issued from Finance (BG.I) Department. The Director of Medical Education is requested to send necessary explanatory notes to include the above expenditure in the

Supplementary Estimates for the year 2018 – 19 to Finance (BG.I) Department at the appropriate time without fail.

9. This order issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department vide its C.No.50853/Health-I/18,dated 23.10.2018, U.O.No.54902/CMPC, dated:25.10.2018 and ASL .1659 (One thousand six hundred and fifty nine).

**(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)**

**J.RADHAKRISHNAN  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT**

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