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#### GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

#### HEALTH DEPARTMENT

(G.O. Ms. No. 12, Puducherry, dated 21st February 2020)

#### NOTIFICATION

The Government of Puducherry is pleased to approve the constitution of State TB Co-morbidity Coordination Committee (STCC) and State Technical Working Group on TB Co-morbidities (STWG), in the Union territory of Puducherry, to eliminate Tuberculosis by 2025, as directed by the D.O. No. Z. 28015/108/2018-TB Pt.I (Pt.2), dated 02-08-2019 of the Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India, New Delhi, with the following composition:

**(A) The Union Territory TB Co-morbidity Coordination Committee (UTCC)**

- (a) Secretary to Government (Health). . . Chairman
- (b) Director (Health). . . Vice-Chairman
- (c) Mission Director, Puducherry State Health Mission. . . Member
- (d) Director, Medical Education and Research. . . Member
- (e) Project Director, SACS, Puducherry. . . Member
- (f) State TB Officer, Puducherry. . . Member-Secretary.
- (g) Director, STDC, Puducherry. . . Member
- (h) Chairman, Puducherry Task Force, Puducherry. . . Member
- (i) Nodal Officer: Puducherry NPCDCS, NTCP, IDSP, MCH, Health & Wellness Centres and other programs as per need. . . Member
- (j) Representative from BSD, CST, TI Division of SACS. . . Member
- (k) WHO RNTCP Consultants and Consultants from other programs. . . Members
- (l) HIV TB Coordinator - RNTCP, Puducherry. . . Member
- (m) Representative of NGOs working with RNTCP. . . Member
- (n) Representative of NGOs working with other programs on rotation basis. . . Member

(i) The above State TB Co-morbidity Coordination Committee (STCC) will meet once in six months and discuss and implement various measures with a view to achieve the following objectives:

- (a) To ensure implementation of TB Co-morbidity and the RNTCP-MCH collaborative activities as per National frameworks.
- (b) To ensure that all District Nodal Officers for all programs are in place.
- (c) To address issues related to sub-optimal detection of TB among clients attending facilities of other programs and linkage to DOTS and co-morbidity treatment services.
- (d) Policy decisions to implement all new initiatives recommended by the NTWG.
- (e) To take measures to strengthen participation of general health system staff in TB Co-morbidity activities.
- (f) To take measures to strengthen TB infection control practices at all health facilities, including those but, not limited to those caring for TB Co-morbid patients, including TB- HIV, TB-Diabetes, TB-Tobacco malnourished.

**B. Union Territory Technical Working Group on TB Co-morbidities (UTWG)**

- (a) Mission Director, Puducherry State Health Mission. . . Chairman
- (b) TB Officer, Puducherry. . . Member-Secretary.
- (c) Additional Project Director, SACS, Puducherry. . . Member
- (d) Director, STDC. . . Member
- (e) Chairman, Puducherry Task Force, Puducherry. . . Member
- (f) Nodal Officer, Puducherry NPCDCS, NTCP, IDSP, MCH, Health and Wellness Centres and other programs as per need. . . Member
- (g) Representative from BSD, CST, TI Division of SACS . . . Member
- (h) WHO RNTCP Consultants and Consultants from other programs. . . Members
- (i) HIV/TB Coordinator - RNTCP, Puducherry. . . Member
- (j) Representative from Professional Medical Association on rotation basis. . . Member
- (k) One representative of NGOs/CBOs working with RNTCP/Other programs. . . Member
- (l) One representative of community working with RNTCP/Other programs on rotation basis. . . Member

(ii) The above working group will meet every quarterly to review and streamline TB Co-morbidity activities in the State with a view to achieve the following objectives.

- (a) Review of actions taken by Districts on recommendations of last STWG meeting.
- (b) Review of progress in bridging service delivery gap like co-location of DM, HIV, TB testing facilities, ART facilities, TB culture and DST facilities, Tobacco Cessation Clinics, Drug Dependence Centres, *etc.* and linkage of ANC Clinics and Health and Wellness Centres.
- (c) Review of performance of intensified TB case finding activities at ICTC, ART Centres, TI settings, NCD Clinics, Tobacco Cessation Centres, Nutritional Rehabilitation Centres, ANC Clinics, Health and Wellness Centres and other related facilities as per latest guidance of the programme.
- (d) Review performance of HIV testing of presumptive/confirmed TB patients, Alcohol usage, DM, Tobacco screening, nutritional status assessment, pregnancy status among TB patient.
- (e) Review linkage of TB Co-morbid patient to DOT, CPT, ART, Diabetic treatment, Tobacco cessation, drug dependence, and other Co-morbidity management as per latest guidance of the programme.

- (f) Review of timelines of ART, Diabetic treatment initiation of TB Co-morbid cases enrolled.
- (g) Review implementation of Tuberculosis Preventative Treatment (TPT) among eligible population as per latest guidance of the programme.
- (h) Review of timelines of reporting on TB Co-morbid from all facilities implementing ICF activities.
- (i) Review implementation of coordination meetings at District level (DCC and monthly TB Co-morbidity meeting)-specimen minutes of these meetings may be discussed.
- (j) Discussion on observation of joint TB Co-morbidity field visits made during the quarter and plan for the next quarter.
- (k) Review of airborne infection control measures at all HIV, DM, TB, Tobacco care, Health and Wellness Centre settings.
- (l) Review availability and supplies of logistics *e.g.*, recording and reporting formats, CPT, HIV test kits, DM test kits Rifabutin, Isoniazid, *etc.*
- (m) Review issues in human resource management including vacancies, appointment process, training, re-orientation, *etc.*
- (n) Review and plan Advocacy, Communication and Social Mobilization Activities for various TB Co-morbidities including joint activities and celebration of events.
- (o) Discussion and decision on communications received from CTD, NACO, NPCDCS NTCP, MCH, NHSRC and other programs during the quarter.

2. The Chairman of the above Committees if, need arises can invite a person as special invitee whenever required, for the betterment of the programme. In case, the Chairman is not available for the meeting, a nominee of the Chairperson may preside over the deliberations.

3. Expenditure for this meeting may be booked under the Supervision and Monitoring Head of RNTCP Budget (16.1.2.2.14 FMR code of CD pool-Supervision and Monitoring Head).

4. This issues with the concurrence of the Finance Department, Puducherry, *vide* I. D. Note No. 2115/FC/FD/F4/A1/2019-20, dated 13-11-2019.

(By order of the Lieutenant-Governor)

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