

GOVERNMENT OF PUDUCHERRY

ABSTRACT

Chief Secretariat (Health), Puducherry - Appointment of Nodal Agency for coordinating all approvals, licenses and no objection certificates for registration and operation of all Clinical Establishment Hospitals and Healthcare facilities in the Union Territory of Puducherry - Orders – Issued.

CHIEF SECRETARIAT (HEALTH)

G.O.Ms.No.17

Puducherry, dt.09/06/2026

READ: E-office File No. 65127 dt.12.03.2026 of the Directorate of Health and Family Welfare Services, Puducherry.

ORDER:

The following notification shall be published in the Extraordinary Issue of the Official Gazette of Puducherry: -

NOTIFICATION

The Government of Puducherry is committed to strengthening the healthcare ecosystem in the Union Territory of Puducherry by encouraging responsible and accelerated investment in quality healthcare infrastructure toward ensuring accessible, affordable and equitable healthcare services.

2. In furtherance of the above objectives and with a view to simplify procedures, and reduce compliance burden and promote ease of doing business in the healthcare sector, the Government of Puducherry has decided to introduce a system of self-certification by Applicants aligned with the application requirements for registration and operation of clinical establishments, hospitals and healthcare facilities in the UT of Puducherry under various central Acts such as “The Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010”, The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971, “The Pre Conception and Pre Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 1994” and “The Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act, 2021”.

3. The simplified procedures and automated approval processes are aimed at facilitating the establishment and expansion of all categories of healthcare facilities and institutions while ensuring adherence to statutory standards and public

health safeguards. Provisional certificates will be auto-generated on completion of online application, along with self-certification for a validity period of up to 5 years depending on payment of requisite fees.

4. In view of the above, the Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry, is hereby pleased to notify that the approvals/Licences/NOCs/permissions will be considered and issued by the Deputy Director (Public Health) in the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare as the Single Nodal Agency (SNA).

5. The Lieutenant Governor, Puducherry is further pleased to notify that the Single Nodal Agency will act as the Project Management Unit (PMU) to facilitate all approvals/Licences/NOCs/permissions handled by the Directorate of Health & Family Welfare Services falling within the scope of the following Statutes:

- A. The Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulations) Act, 2010:
 - (i) Hospitals/Medical Colleges/Nursing Homes.
 - (ii) Laboratories and Scan centres
 - (iii) Labs with clinics
 - (iv) Clinics
 - (v) In Vitro Fertilization Centres.

- B. The Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971:
 - (i) Permission to perform 'Medical Termination of Pregnancy' under Category A (within 20 weeks of pregnancy) and Category B (Beyond 20 and within 24 weeks).
 - (ii) Permission to perform 'Medical Termination of Pregnancy' for more than 24 weeks of pregnancy

- C. The Pre conception and Pre Natal Diagnostic Techniques Act, 2003:
 - (i) Genetic clinic/ Ultrasound Clinic/Genetic Counselling Centre/ Genetic Laboratory
 - (ii) CT / MRI

- D. The Assisted Reproductive Technology (Regulation) Act,2021:
 - (i) Intra uterine Insemination (Level 1)
 - (ii) In vitro Fertilization (Level 2)
 - (iii) Assisted Reproductive Technology - Bank

6. The Project Management Unit (PMU) to facilitate all approvals/Licences/ NOCs/permissions will comprise of the following members:

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| i. The Deputy Director (PH), Puducherry - | Convenor |
| ii. The Deputy Director (FW), Puducherry - | Member |
| iii. The Medical Superintendent, IGGGHPGI, Puducherry - | Member |
| iv. The Medical Superintendent, RGGWCH, Puducherry - | Member |
| v. Joint Director (Health), DHFWS, Puducherry- | Member |
| vi. The Senior Accounts Officer, DHFWS, Puducherry - | Member |

7. The meetings of the SNA / PMU will ordinarily be convened on the first and third Tuesdays of every calendar month to ensure systematic appraisal and time-bound disposal of proposals received in the intervening fortnight.

8. In the event of an official holiday on the scheduled date, the meeting may be held on the next working day. The given schedule will be adhered to consistently to ensure compliance with the timelines prescribed under the relevant rules / guidelines and to minimise the time taken to assess and consider submitted proposals. The meetings of the PMU may be conducted in physical mode, virtual mode, or hybrid mode, as determined by the Chairperson.

9. Meetings conducted through video conferencing or hybrid mode will be treated as valid for all statutory purposes, subject to prior circulation of agenda notes, proper recording of deliberations, and approval and authentication of minutes in accordance with established procedure(s).

10. In cases where no proposals are pending for consideration, or no agenda items are available for a scheduled meeting, the fact of non-convening of the meeting, along with reasons therefor, will be duly recorded in the official records of the Committee or Authority and reflected in the monthly status report relating to meetings and disposal of proposals.

11. The Department of Health & Family Welfare Services, Government of Puducherry may also onboard a 3rd party service provider to assist the SNU / PMU to carry out the functions of co-ordination with the relevant departments for facilitation of NOCs and related requirements against a pre-prescribed payment from the healthcare entity, as determined by the Government from time to time.

12. This order shall come into force with immediate effect.

//BY ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR//


(V. SOUMYA)

UNDER SECRETARY TO GOVT (HEALTH)

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