

GUIDELINES OF HEALTH MINISTER’S CANCER PATIENT FUND (HMCPF)
RASHTRIYA AROGYA NIDHI (RAN)

1. Introduction:

1.1 **The “Health Minister’s Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF) within the Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi (RAN)”** has also been set up in 2009. In order to utilize the Health Minister’s Cancer Patient Fund, the Revolving Fund as under RAN, has been established in 27 Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs). Such step would ensure and speed up financial assistance to needy patients and help fulfil the objective of HMCPF under RAN. The financial assistance to a Cancer Patient up to Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rs. Two lakh only) would be processed by the RCC concerned, on whose disposal the revolving fund has been placed. Individual cases, which require assistance of more than Rs. 2.00 lakh is to be sent to the Ministry for processing. Revolving Funds have been created in all the 27 Regional Cancer Centres (RCCs) and funds upto Rs. 50 lakhs will be placed at their disposal. The Revolving Funds will be replenished on fulfilment of conditions regarding submission of utilization certificate and list of beneficiaries.

2. Eligibility for Health Minister’s Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF) within RAN :

- (i) The fund will provide financial assistance to patients, living below poverty line who is suffering from Cancer.
- (ii) Assistance is admissible for treatment in 27 Regional Cancer Centre(s) (RCC) only.
- (iii) Central Govt./State Govt. /PSU employees are not eligible for financial assistance from HMCPF.
- (iv) Re-imbursment of Medical Expenditure already incurred shall not be permissible. However, in those cases of cancer patients, found eligible for financial assistance under RAN, medical treatment/operation in the interim period between date of receipt of application form for assistance under RAN (complete in all respects) and date of communication of sanction for financial assistance under RAN, is permissible for assistance under RAN, within the sanctioned limit. Accordingly, reimbursement shall be allowed, of medical expenses already borne by the cancer patient and paid to the hospital/institute concerned within the sanctioned limit. Reimbursement of medical expenditure, of those cases of cancer patients, already incurred prior to date of receipt of application form (complete in all respects) for financial assistance under RAN, shall not be permissible.
- (v) Grant from HMCPF would not be used where treatment /facilities for cancer treatment are available free of cost.

3 Requirement to be fulfilled by the Regional Cancer Centre(s) for further release of Revolving Fund:

3.1 Regional Cancer Centre(s) are required to furnish:

- (i) Utilization Certificate in GFR-19 A.
- (ii) The list of beneficiaries indicating the **nature of illness and amount sanctioned in each case.**

4. Rules, Regulations and the Guidelines governing the Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF).

4.1 Rules, Regulations and the Guidelines framed for running the RAN Scheme would apply to the Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF). The proforma/application form for RAN will be applicable for HMCPF assistance.

5. List of 27 Regional Cancer Centre(s)

5.1 List of 27 Regional Cancer Centres is given below:

1. Kamala Nehru Memorial Hospital, Allahabad, **Uttar Pradesh.**
2. Chittaranjan National Cancer Institute, Kolkata, **West Bengal**
3. Kidwai Memorial Institute of Oncology, Bangalore, **Karnataka.**
4. Regional Cancer Institute (WIA), Adyar, Chennai, **Tamil Nadu.**
5. Acharya Harihar Regional Cancer, Centre for Cancer Research & Treatment, Cuttack, **Orissa.**
6. Regional Cancer Control Society, Shimla, **Himachal Pradesh.**
7. Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Gwalior, **Madhya Pradesh.**
8. Indian Rotary Cancer Institute, (AIIMS), **New Delhi.**
9. R.S.T. Hospital & Research Centre, Nagpur, **Maharashtra.**
10. Pt. J.N.M. Medical College, Raipur, **Chhatisgarh.**
11. Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education & Research (PGIMER), **Chandigarh.**
12. Sher-I- Kashmir Institute of Medical Sciences, Soura, **Srinagar.**
13. Regional Institute of Medical Sciences, **Manipur, Imphal.**
14. Govt. Medical College & Associated Hospital, Bakshi Nagar, **Jammu.**
15. Regional Cancer Centre, **Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala**
16. Gujarat Cancer Research Institute, Ahmadabad, **Gujarat.**
17. MNJ Institute of Oncology, Hyderabad, **Andhra Pradesh.**
18. Pondicherry Regional Cancer Society, JIPMER, **Pondicherry.**
19. Dr. B.B. Cancer Institute, Guwahati, **Assam.**
20. Tata Memorial Hospital, Mumbai, **Maharashtra.**
21. Indira Gandhi Institute of Medical Sciences, Patna, **Bihar.**
22. Acharya Tulsi Regional Cancer Trust & Research Institute (RCC), Bikaner, **Rajashtan.**
23. Regional Cancer Centre, Pt. B.D.Sharma Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Rohtak, **Harvana.**
24. Civil Hospital, Aizawl, **Mizoram.**
25. Sanjay Gandhi Post Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, **Lucknow.**
26. Government Arignar Anna Memorial Cancer Hospital, Kancheepuram, **Tamil Nadu.**
27. Cancer Hospital, **Tripura, Agartala.**

6. Management Committee of HMCPF under RAN

6.1 HMCPF under Rashtriya Arogya Nidhi is managed by a Management Committee, consisting of the following members:-

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| 1. Union Health Minister | - Chairman |
| 2. Additional Secretary (Health) | - Member |
| 3. Spl. DG, DGHS | - Member |
| 4. Economic Adviser (M/o H& FW) | - Member Secretary |
| 5. C.C.A. (M/o H& F.W) | - Treasurer |

7. Technical Committee of HMCPF under RAN

7.1 There is a Technical Committee to advise the Managing Committee on technical matters, such as nature of illness to be covered for assistance under the Scheme and other ancillary issues.

7.2 The Technical Committee comprises of the following:-

1. Spl DG (Senior Most), DGHS
2. Economic Adviser
3. Medical Superintendent, Dr. RML Hospital, N. Delhi,
4. HOD, Cardiology, AIIMS, New Delhi.
5. HOD, Haematology, AIIMS, New Delhi
6. HOD, Medical Oncology, Safdarjung Hosp. New Delhi.

8. Contact person for information

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