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To
Under Secretary
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Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi-110108

Sir,

Sub:- Health, Medical and Family Welfare - Permission for utilizing the facilities of Government District Hospital, Chittoor for establishment of a Unique Integrated Campus 'The Apollo Health and knowledge City' - Certain information furnished - Reg.

Ref:- 1. Lr.No.5735/D/2015, dt:13.05.2016 from Joint Secretary to Government, Health, Medical and Family Welfare Department, GoAP.
2.D.O.Lr.No.U-12012/678/2015-ME.1,dt:23.05.2016 from Under Secretary, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi.

I am directed to invite your attention to the letter 1st cited (copy enclosed for ready reference) wherein Govt., have given the chronological orders of events regarding setting up of the Medical College at Murukambattu in Chittoor to the President of Apollo authorities.

2. With reference to your letter 2nd cited I am to inform that the Apollo authorities have approached the State Government for establishment of a Unique Integrated Campus 'The Apollo Health and knowledge City' (Medical College). On their request Government have constituted a Committee on 30.06.2015 headed by VC, NTR UHS to study the proposals and submit the report on gap filling to the Government. Accordingly the committee has given report on 13.08.2015 stating that they have gone through the proposals submitted by AHERF of Apollo Hospitals Groups regarding establishment of Apollo Health and Knowledge city (AHKC) in Chittoor District to cater to health care services and employment opportunities to rural and urban people of the District and the need for teaching hospital to support AHKC, the committee has analyzed the requirements for developing this hospital in to a full-fledged teaching hospital to meet the MCI regulations. Once developed the hospital will not only be able to train medical student and health care professional but also provide quality, accessible and affordable health services to the community. Hence the Committee has recommended that the existing hospital needs certain developments to make into a full-fledged teaching hospital with good standards which was duly taken up.

3. After getting the Government permission the Apollo authorities has entered into MoU regarding the placement of the 320 bedded Govt Hospital at Chittoor on lease basis vide G.O.Ms.No.42, dt:28.04.2016 for establishment of a new medical college as per provisions of Section 10A of the MCI Act 1956. As the Public Private Partnership (PPP) project is permissible under Law for utilization of services of Government Hospital for setting up a medical college.
4. Government have agreed in principle to allow AHERF to utilise the facilities of the Government Chittoor Hospital. The AHERF have been permitted to utilize the infrastructure and facilities of Chittoor hospital for the proposed medical college.
5. State shall facilitate to continue to allocate the budget to the Hospital, as is being allotted at present. All additional expenditures towards the development of buildings, infrastructure, additional man power, operationalization and maintenance of Hospital including all services and make the Hospital conform to the standards of MCI shall be borne by the AHERF.
6. State will provide free and uninterrupted access to Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation to enter the Hospital and utilization of the existing services in the Hospital including Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation having the operational responsibility and do all the needful for the purpose of developing the existing infrastructure to meet the essential/eligibility criteria prescribed under the Medical Council of India Regulations for establishing the Medical College and also utilize the said facilities. In this regard, State hereby permits and gives license to Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation to avail all the above facilities and State shall not cause any impediment in this regard and shall render all the necessary cooperation to Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation so as to enable Apollo Hospitals Educational and Research Foundation to effectively impart medical education to the students admitted into the medical college in the true sense.
7. For Establishment of Medical College Regulation, (Amendment of 2013), MCI Notification 34(41)/2013-Med dt:28th October, 2013, an appropriate Government will be permitted to allow the utilization of the facilities of a hospital owned and managed by it for establishing a Medical College by a person/ agency by entering into a MoU for this purpose.
8. The State Government in its cabinet meeting held on 29.08.2015 agreed and passed a resolution to lease the Government District hospital, Chittoor to AHERF for a period of 5 years, which however, was amended later to a 33-year lease to meet with the requirements under MCI regulations for establishment of a medical college. Hence it is in principle Government has agreed to place the hospital at the disposal of AHERF for all practical purposes under PPP model.

9. Later amendments have been taken place to the MCI Regulations after obtaining the Cabinet approval for setting up the Medical College, few of the requirements under amended MCI Regulations have not been mentioned in the MoU dated 18.01.2016 which was rectified subsequently. However, AHERF meets all such requirements under the Regulations and State Government is ready and willing to extend the required cooperation to AHERF for fulfilling them to establish the medical college, as already agreed to by the State Government in the MoU dated 18.01.2016.
10. The transport facilities shall be provided by the AHERF authorities only at the free of cost. The seat sharing policy of the State Government is as per GO Ms.No.32 dated 17.04.2015, which is enclosed. Copy of the G.O. is enclosed herewith, which is binding AHERF.
11. In view of the availability of space / land (with constructed area of 2.8 lakhs sq.ft in 6.3 acres and there is also vacant area of 9.8 acres) and infrastructure, the Hospital has the feasibility for being periodically upgraded including the augmentation of number of beds commensurate with teaching requirements as prescribed under MCI Guidelines.
12. The Dean will be appointed by the AHERF and will be responsible for administrative / financial control as per the MCI guidelines. A Committee, which has been constituted by the State Government to monitor the progress and developmental activities of the Hospital, its functioning, conversion of the hospital etc, shall include the name of the Dean as well besides the already existing member of AHERF.
13. The clinical staff / teaching faculty or any other paramedical personnel as required from time to time will be appointed by the AHERF authorities only. The salaries will be met from the funds of AHERF.
14. AHERF undertakes that the existing clinical staff working at the Government Hospital other than those who conform to the prescribed eligibility for being designated as Assistant Professor, Associate Professor, Professor of the concerned subject, if does not meet the Teacher's Eligibility Qualifications Regulations, would be replaced by full time appointment of the requisite number of duly qualified full time medical teachers and such replacement would not apply to non teaching position like casualty Medical Officer, Hospital Administrators etc. in accordance with the requirements.
15. For the above stated reasons, the deficiencies pointed out by MCI have been addressed and as such, all the deficiencies have been removed.
16. The above comments / recommendations are furnished above for taking necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



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