GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Health & Family Welfare Department - Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis - Constitution of Working Group - Sanction accorded - Orders issued.

HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (F) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Rt)No.863/2023/H&FWD Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 11-04-2023

Read 1 Letter No. D.O.No.8-259/2022-23/NCVBDC/ELF dated 21.11.2022 from MoHFW, GoI.

2 Minutes of meeting chaired by Principal Secretary, Health on 23.02.2023.

ORDER

Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis is a public health priority and is targeted for elimination by 2030. The surveillance activities, morbidity management and disability prevention to prevent and manage Lymphatic Filariasis related disability in endemic communities remain a challenge. The responsibility of surveillance and interventions, in terms of diagnosis and treatment under the Lymphatic Filariasis Programme needs to be more targeted by engaging the medical colleges and its departments namely Medicine / PSM/Dermatology/Paediatrics in the targeted districts. As per the letter read as 1st paper above, Government of India has requested to issue advice to medical colleges in the State to adopt an LF district, as it can play a vital role in accelerating the elimination goal.

2. Government examined the matter in detail. In order to formulate the strategic framework for the Lymphatic Filariasis elimination program for the State, Government are pleased to constitute a ***Working Group for Elimination of Lymphatic Filariasis***, as detailed below:

i. Dr Suma. T.K, Principal Govt. Medical College, Alppuzha (Chairperson).
ii. Dr Anuja U, HoD, Department Community Medicine, Govt.

Medical College, Thiruvananthapuram.

iii. Dr Sakeena K., Additional Director of Health Services (Public Health), Office of DHS.

iv. Dr Harikumar S, Assistant Director of Health Services (Public Health), Office of DHS.

3. The working Group shall broadly cover the following:

i. Burden assessment and ongoing updating of line lists.

ii. Improving access to good quality morbidity management services to affected people - Protocol based institutional and community outreach care.

iii. Management of complicated cases.

iv. Training and capacity Building.

v. Improving availability of trained manpower - Involvement of Post Graduates and Residents.

vi. Alleviation of Stigma.

vii. Streamlining of Integrated Vector Control activities.

viii. Addressing healthcare for migrant population.

ix. Phases of disease elimination and operational issues.

(By order of the Governor)
TINKU BISWAL
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY

To:

All members of the Working Group.

The State Mission Director -National Health Mission, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Director of Health Services, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Director of Medical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.
Principal Accountant General (A&E/Audit) Kerala.
Information & Public Relations (Web & New Media) Department.
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