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CIRCULAR

Provision of telephone facilities and reimbursements to Medical officers of ESIC- Implementation of Delhi High Court Judgement-reg.

Reference is invited to ESIC Hqrs. circular no. D-27/15/P/2002-Genl.(Part) dated 25.09.2020 and 28.05.2021 on the aforementioned subject vide which OM No. 24(3)/E.Coord/2018, dated 26.3.2018 issued by Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Government of India was adopted by the Corporation with approval of the Competent Authority and subsequent instructions were issued for reimbursement of residential Telephone / broadband / mobile phone / data card (either all combined or individual) to the eligible officers of Corporation as per their respective ceiling amount.

- The Medical Officers' Association moved to CAT against this order citing that it was limited to medical officers working as administrative capacities only. They argued that this exclusion was in conflict with the circular issued by Ministry of Finance vide OM No. 24(3)/E.Coord/2018, dated 26.3.2018. The Central Administrative Tribunal (CAT) Bench, vide O.A. No. 688/2022 made judgement in the favour of the Association and that was also upheld by Hon'ble High Court with direction to reimburse the bill in accordance with the circular issued by the Ministry of Finance with the interest @ 6% per annum, effective from 26.03.2018.
- Now, the Director General in consultation with the Finance Commissioner, has accepted the Court's judgement. Accordingly, the reimbursement for residential telephone/broadband/mobile phone/data card is hereby extended as per the circular vide OM No. 24(3)/E.Coord/2018, dated 26.3.2018 issued by Ministry of Finance, Department of Expenditure, Government of India to all the eligible medical officers irrespective of the nature of their post i.e. Administrative or Non-Administrative in supersession of all earlier circulars in this regard. The basis for selection of 25% of the medical officers entitled for this facility shall be seniority. The reimbursement shall be on actual expenditure made on the aforesaid heads on postpaid bills only, no notional payment should be made.

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- 1. The ESIC Medical Officers' Association
- 2. PPS/PS to DG/FC, for information please.
- 3. PPS/PS to All Divisional Heads, Hqrs. Office, for information please.
- 4. All Zonal Insurance Commissioners/Medical Commissioners,
- 5. All Additional Commissioners/Regional Directors/ Joint Directors/ Deputy Directors (I/c), Regional Offices/ Sub- Regional Offices.
- 6. DMD/DMN, New Delhi/Noida
- 7. All Medical Superintendents/Deans, ESIC Hospitals/Medical Institutions/Dental Colleges.
- 8. ICT Division, Hqrs. Office for updation/modification in ERP
- 9. Website Content Manager, Hqrs.- for uploading on ESIC website.
- 10. Rajbhasha Shakha for hindi translation.