NOTIFICATION

This is for information to all concerned that, as per the Guideline from Central TB Division, Revised National Tuberculosis Control Program, Government of India through the D.O. No. Z-28015/29/2018-TB dated the 25th June, 2018 and approval from the Government of Tripura, Health & Family Welfare Department, the State TB Forum is formed consisting of the following members.

1. Sri Samarjit Bhowmik, Secretary, Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of Tripura: Chairman
2. Dr. Shailesh K. Yadav, IAS, Mission Director, National Health Mission.
3. Dr. Asheke Roy, Project Director, Tripura State AIDS Control Society.
4. Dr. R.K. Dev Verma, Director of Health Services, Govt. of Tripura. Member
5. Dr. Dhrubajyoti Deka, WHO Consultant, RNTCP. Member
6. Dr. Keshab Chakraborty, Hon Secretary, TB Association of Tripura.
7. Dr. Siddharth Maurya, Representative, Public Health Foundation of India. Member
8. Dr. Pradip Bhowmik, President, Indian Medical Association, Tripura State Branch. Member
9. Dr. Sumita Mukherjee, Prof., Pulmonary Medicine, AGMC & GBP Hospital, Agartala. Member
10. Dr. Shib Sekhar Datta, Prof., Community Medicine, TMC & Dr. BRAM Teaching Hosp., Hapahania. Member
11. Two Representatives from reputed local NGO:
   (i) Dr. Rajat Kanti Chakraborty, President, Lions Club of Agartala Member
   (ii) Dr. Sushanta Roy, Secretary, Maa Usha Charitable Trust, Agartala. Member
12. Sri Ariful Hoque, PPMS Consultant, Representative, Union. Member
13. Sri. Samir Banik, Secretary, Tripura State Network of positive people Member
14. Five TB Patient representative:
   (i) Sri Dulal Das (TB Patient Representative). Member Secretary
   (ii) Sri Debaran Banik (TB Patient Representative). Member
   (iii) Sri Adhir Das (TB Patient Representative). Member
   (iv) Sri Swapam Biswas (TB Patient Representative). Member
   (v) Sri Swapam Ghosh (TB Patient Representative). Member
15. Sri Dwaiapayen Paul, Executive, Business Development, ILS Hospital. Member
16. Dr. R.K Barman, State TB Officer. Member
17. Sri. Biswajit Das, Asst Director, Care support and Treatment, TSACS Member
18. Dr. Supriya Mallik, SPO-NPCDCS Member
19. Sri Sudip Deb, State Program Manager, NHM, Tripura. Member
20. Dr. Kamal Reang, State Program Officer, RCH. Member
21. Sri Subhadeep Lodh, DPM, West Tripura, Representative from NUHM. Member

Term of References of the State TB Forum is as follows:

1. To advice on strategies for engaging communities affected by TB and increasing community participation in TB program through formation of network of people affected by TB.
2. To periodically review progress of involvement of community and network of people affected by TB.
3. Highlighting the concerns and needs of TB patients, to work with Government and a broad range of individuals and organisations to develop better, and more responsive, health services.
4. Advocating for greater and more equitable access to quality, accurate and independent information for patients to focus at reducing health inequalities and by campaigning for patients to have the right to be involved in decision making.
5. Enabling a dialogue between all stakeholders involved in a TB patients care such as government including local self government, medical and paramedical associations, industry, the medical insurance companies, private healthcare providers and diagnostic centres.
6. Create and manage resources to sustain and accelerate TB prevention, control, care and treatment services through community engagement and network of people affected by TB.
7. Facilitate nutritional support, linkages with social welfare schemes, rehabilitation of several TB patients.
8. Grievance Redressal.
9. Meetings will be convened at every six months.
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1. The PS to the Hon'ble Minister, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Tripura for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister please.
2. The PS to the Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department, Govt. of Tripura, for kind information of the Health Secretary please.
3. The Director, Health Services, Govt. of Tripura.
4. The Director, Family Welfare & P.M, Govt. of Tripura.
5. The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Tripura.
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29. The Website section, NHM Tripura for information and requested to host the same in the NHM Tripura website please.

Joint Secretary to the Government of Tripura