MEMORANDUM

Subject:- Transport of Emergencies to Appropriate Referral Centres.

Hon’ble Minister, Health & Family Welfare took two meetings one on 08-01-2013 and the other on 10-01-2013 with the State Level Officers of the Health & Family Welfare Department, the NRHM and State Level Hospitals on 08-01-2013 as well as with the CMOs and the SDMOs on 10-01-2013 in connection with preparedness for health services particularly at the facility level in next three months time including the dry spell. A point was raised in the meeting about the availability of ambulance/ transport for shifting of emergency patients and the availability of fund.

2. In this connection, it is clarified here as follows for guidance of all concerned:-

   i. As confirmed by the Director, Family Welfare & P.M., some fund has been made available for meeting the cost of fuel etc. required for the Departmental ambulance placed under the disposal of different health facilities across the State.

   ii. If Departmental ambulance is utilized for transportation of JSSK beneficiaries, the RKS may reimburse the amount of transport cost as admissible under NRHM guidelines issued from time to time.

   iii. Ambulance service through Self Help Groups (SHGs) may also be utilized for transport of emergencies to appropriate referral centres as per guidelines communicated vide Memo of even No. dated 25th June 2012 of the Health & Family Welfare Department.

   iv. Cost at actuals on transport of emergencies to appropriate referral centres may be met out of RKS Grants/ Untied Funds/ Annual Maintenance Grants made available to health facilities at all levels under NRHM as per existing guidelines of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Government of India since communicated to all concerned.

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   Government of Tripura

To
   1. All Chief Medical Officers of the State.
   2. All Sub-divisional Medical Officers of the State.
   3. All Superintendents of State/ District Hospitals.

Copy to:-
   1. PS to Hon’ble Minister, Health & Family Welfare.
   2. Secretary, Health & Family Welfare.
   3. All DM & Collectors.
   4. Director of Health Services.
   5. Director of Family Welfare & P.M.
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