

GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF HEALTH SERVICES
O/o NURSING HOME CELL
3RD FLOOR, DGD BUILDING, S-1, SCHOOL BLOCK, SHAKARPUR, DELHI- 110092

F.23/(413)/GEN/Circular/NHC/DGHS/HQ/ 5616 - 5622

Dated: 13/06/2020

ORDER

In order to increase the bed capacity for COVID-19 patients, 117 nursing homes/private hospitals having bed strength of 50 beds or more were directed to reserve/ earmark at least 20% of their total bed strength for COVID-19 patients vide Order No. 23/(413)/GEN/Circular/NHC/DGHS/HQ/ 5366-77 dated 24.05.2020.

The occupancy of the beds earmarked for COVID patients is displayed on a real-time basis in the Delhi Corona App. More than 70% COVID beds in the private sector are already occupied. Further, it is projected that there would be a requirement of more than 15000 COVID beds till 30th June, 2020 and by the end of first fortnight of July, 2020 the requirement would further swell up to more than 33000 COVID beds.

All nursing homes in Delhi are registered under the Delhi Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1953 and Rules made thereunder.

Clause 14.1 of the Schedule appended to Rule 14 of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration (Amendment) Rules, 2011 mentions as below:

"In the event of any natural calamity including outbreak and epidemics or disaster, the owner or the keeper of every nursing home shall, on being directed by the supervising authority in writing co-operate and provide such reasonable assistance and medical aid as may be considered essential by the supervising authority at the time of natural calamity including outbreaks and epidemics or disastrous situation"


In order to avoid intermingling of COVID and non-COVID patients in small & medium multispecialty nursing homes (10 bedded to 49 bedded) and also to augment the bed capacity for COVID-19 patients, all nursing homes in NCT of Delhi having bed strength of 10 beds or more upto 49 beds are declared as COVID nursing homes.

Only standalone exclusive Eye Centres; ENT Centres; Dialysis Centres; Maternity Homes & IVF Centres are presently exempted.


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All such nursing homes (10 bedded to 49 bedded) are required to make their COVID beds functional within three days of the issue of order failing which it would be treated as violation of Clause 14.1 of the Schedule appended to Rule 14 of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration (Amendment) Rules, 2011 and action, as deemed fit, would be initiated against the defaulter nursing home.

This issues with prior approval of the supervising authority.


13.06.2020
(Dr. R.N. Das)

Medical Superintendent - Nursing Homes

To,

✓ Keeper/ Medical Superintendent of all nursing homes
in NCT of Delhi having beds strength of 10 beds to 49 beds
and registered under Section 5 of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration Act, 1953

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4. PS to DGHS, F-17, Karkardooma, Delhi- 110032
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