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Proceedings of the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the State Advisory Committee under BMW  
Rules 2016

Minutes of the meeting of the State Advisory Committee under Bio-Medical Waste (Handling and Management) Rules 2016 held under the chairmanship of Sh. R.D. Dhiman, Additional Chief Secretary (Health), Government of Himachal Pradesh, on 17<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 11:30 am at Committee room, Armsdale Building, H.P. Secretariat, Shimla-2 which was attended by the following Participants :

1. Dr. Naresh Kumar Lath, Special Secretary Cum Director Health Safety & Regulations, H.P.
2. Sh. Tek Chand Goswami, Under Secretary (Health), Government of H.P.
3. Dr. R.K. Daroch, Joint Director Health & Family Welfare, H.P.
4. Dr. Pradeep Kumar Sharma, Joint Director Animal Husbandary, H.P.
5. Dr. Sunite A Ganju, Consultant Biomedical Waste Management O/o DHS and Associate Professor, Microbiology, SLBS Govt. Medical College, Nerchowk, Mandi.
6. Dr. Surekha Chopra, Corporation Health Officer, M.C. Shimla
7. Dr. Manoj Chauhan, Pr. Scientific Officer, Pollution Control Board, H.P.
8. Dr. Mahesh Jaswal, OSD, O/o DHSR, Shimla, H.P.
9. Mr. J.R. Kaushal, AC (F&S), O/o DHSR Shimla, H.P.
10. Ms. Rama Kumari, S.O. Health C, H.P. Secretariat, H.P.
11. Ms. Namrta Sharma, Human Habitat Officer, Department of Environment Science and Technology, Shimla, H.P.

With the kind permission of the Chair, the meeting began with a welcome note by the Dr. Mahesh Jaswal, OSD, O/o DHSR Shimla. The Chair was informed that the State Government has notified the State Advisory Committee to oversee the implementation of the Bio-Medical Waste (Handling and Management) Rules, 2016 in February 2019. This is the first meeting of the Committee and regular meetings will be held as per the rules of BMW. Being the first meeting, agenda of the meeting was drawn on the basis of inputs given by the various stake holders.

  
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The Chair, worthy Additional Chief Secretary (Health) stressed upon the need of effective implementation of the Bio Medical Waste Rules 2016 in the State of Himachal Pradesh and informed that the Hon'ble National Green Tribunal is closely monitoring the same. The Chair impressed upon the need to implement the BMWM rules 2016, 2018 in letter and spirit as it is crucial for the better image of the State and also for the interest of the public health.

Dr. Sunite A Ganju, Consultant Biomedical Waste Management O/o DHS & Associate professor, Department of Microbiology presented before the house the updated status of implementation of the Biomedical Waste Management in the state of Himachal Pradesh and progress done by the Department of Health and Family under Bio Medical Waste through a presentation. The following Agenda items were discussed and, the following decisions were taken:

**1. Agenda item 1: Status of Inventorisation of Health Care Institutions: -**

The HP pollution board desired that an updated list of health care facilities for complete inventorisation was required and an updated list up to 16/01/2020 of all Allopathic Health Care Facilities was handed over to the Senior Scientific Officer, Pollution Control Board by the Health Department.

The Chair further directed that the Directorate of Ayurveda and Directorate of Veterinary to prepare and share the District wise list of institutions with the State Pollution Control Board and proactively work in this matter.

**(Action by: Director Ayurveda, HP; Director Animal Husbandry, HP)**

**2. Agenda item 2: Annual Reports and record maintenance:**

The Chair was apprised by Dr. R.K. Daroch, Joint Director Health & Family Welfare, H.P. that strict directions have already been issued to all the CMO's/MS for meticulous record keeping and filing of Annual Report before the due date after

validation and signature by concerned BMO's/CMO's/MSs. A copy of the letter was also presented to the Chair. Besides as per mandate of the Bio Medical Waste 2016 Rules, a website link on the Director Health Services site would be in place with effect from this year for Allopathic HCFs.

The chair directed that the department of Ayurveda & Animal Husbandry to also work strictly upon on the same analogy.

**(Action by: Director Ayurveda, HP; Director Animal Husbandry, HP)**

**3. Agenda item 3: Status of BMWM in Hard and Tribal Districts:-**

Dr. Sunite A Ganju apprised the Chair in detail about the Status update of Captive Treatment Disposal (deep burial) being adopted in the Allopathic Health Care Facilities of District Kinnaur and Lahaul & Spiti as there is no access of any Common Bio Medical Waste Treatment Facility (CBTWF) Operator to these Districts and not all HCF in these places have been authorized. It was also requested to share the data regarding reasons for rejections so that necessary actions could be taken to obtain authorizations.

The chair directed officers of the Pollution Control Board to clear the pending applications and also share the data on reasons for rejections.

**(Action by; Pollution Control Board, HP).**

**4. Agenda item 4: Status of authorizations of Allopathic Health care facilities:-**

The Chair reviewed the category wise authorization status with respect to applications received, authorization granted, cases under process and cases rejected.

The Chair showed concern on the pending applications for authorization at the level of Pollution Control Board and directed that the pendency must be minimized

immediately. Also the reasons for rejection must be shared with the department of Health and Family welfare so that remedial measures can be taken.

The Chair also directed the Health Department to direct the Incharges to address the concerns for the cases that have been rejected and resubmit to the respective officers of the Pollution Control Board (PCB).

**(Action by; Pollution Control Board, HP ; Director Health Services, HP)**

**5. Agenda item 5: Animal Husbandry Department.**

Dr. Pradeep Kumar Sharma, Joint Director Animal Husbandry requested for consideration of additional budgetary provisions for infrastructure /material in veterinary institutions.

The Chair directed that all the Departments have to raise the demand regarding requirement of funds in a time bound manner on priority with the respective Administrative Department (AD) which can be addressed through proper appropriation or re-appropriation of funds .

**(Action by: Director Animal Husbandry, HP)**

**6. Agenda item6: Department of Municipal Corporation Shimla:-**

Dr. Surekha Chopra, Corporation Health Officer brought into the notice of the Chair the issue regarding pending arrears related to Bio-Medical Waste disposal from IGMC, DDU and KNHZH for the period upto May 2012 amounting to about Rs. 69.75 lacs.

The Chair desired that Commissioner M.C Shimla shall convene a meeting with the respective M.S. of IGMC, KNH and DDUZH regarding the disposal of pending claims. If still unaddressed, a comprehensive proposal be shared with the

Director Health Services for DDU ZH and with the Director Medical Education for IGMC & KNH under intimation to the State Health Department.

**(Action by Commissioner, MC Shimla; DHS; DME; MS DDUZH, IGMC&KNH)**

**7. Other Decisions:-**

**A) Reconstitution of State Advisory Committee :-**

The Chair was apprised that the Director of Health Services is over viewing the implementation of the Bio-Medical Waste Rules, 2016 in Health and Family Welfare Department with effect from March 2019 and accordingly the Head of Account has been shifted.

The Chair directed to reconstitute the Advisory Committee as per the need of the hour and include Director Ayurveda, Director Medical Education, Director Dental Jt. Director, DHS etc. in consultation with Pollution Control Board so that all stake holders are properly represented. Dr Mahesh Jaswal through the Director Health Safety and Regulations will submit the draft notification for re-constitution of the State Advisory Committee to the Government.

**(Action by DHSR; Health C, H.P Secretariat)**

**B) Disposal of waste in far flung rented Non bedded buildings:-**

The problems in disposal of waste in far flung private non-bedded buildings was brought into the notice of the house by the Health Department. It was decided that all District Level Health Officers (CMO's/ DAO's/ Dep. Dir. Animal Health & Feeding) to identify nearby Health Care Facility or Government Waste land and devise a proper plan in consultation with PCB officer of their respective area.

**(Action by All )**

**C) Training :-**

The house was informed that Health Department has notified the Bio Medical Waste Management Committees in all the Districts and regular meeting are being held. Further there are about 2450 trained personal in Health Department and regular onsite training is an ongoing process.

It was pointed out that there is a need for short and simple manual for Health Care providers regarding Bio Medical Waste Rules and its implementation. The Chair directed that Dr. Sunite A Ganju will provide the technical inputs and submit a draft and the requisite funds for printing shall be provided from National Health Mission.

**(Action:- Dr. Sunite A Ganju, DHS,HP; MD, NHM, HP)**

**D) Procurement of Liquid waste treatment system, Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) and Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP):-**

Dr. R.K. Daroch, Joint Director Health & Family Welfare, H.P. informed that the approval order for LWTS from the company approved after tendering process has been given to all CMOs, MS for purchase for the liquid disinfection system.

Dr. Sunite A Ganju apprised the Chair that the STPs is in the final stages of procurement and the tender document for ETPs for liquid waste disposal Zonal hospitals for the State of Himachal Pradesh is ready and will be placed for approval to the Chair.

**(Action by DHS, HP)**

**E) Online software :-**

In order to have checks and balances a requirement of online software for monitoring of the Bio Medical Waste Disposal was submitted before the house. The Chair directed that a comprehensive proposal for an independent IT cell under Director Health Services be put forth to the Government.

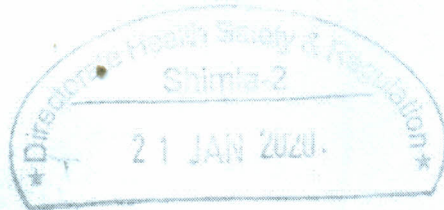
**(Action by DHS, HP)**

The Chair in his concluding remarks while appreciating the work by the department of Health and Family Welfare said that all the departments have to gear up and work proactively as per time lines of the Bio Medical Waste Rules, 2016, amended Rules, 2018. The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to/from the Chair

Approved by

(Sh.R.D. Dhiman) IAS

Addl.Chief Secretary (Health), Government of H.P  
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**Copy for information & necessary action to:-**

1. The Additional Chief Secretary (Health) to the Govt. of H.P. Shimla-02
2. The Member Secretary, H.P. State Pollution Control Board, Him Parivesh, Phase-III, Below BCS, New Shimla-9.
3. The Mission Director, NHM Shimla-09.
4. The Director, Health Services, Kasumpti, Shimla-09.
5. The Director, Medical Education & Research HP. Shimla-09.
6. The Commissioner, Municipal Corporation Shimla -01.

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7. The Director, Urban Development Deptt. H.P. Shimla-01.
8. The Director, Animal Husbandry, HP Shimla-05.
9. The Director, Ayurveda Deptt. H.P. Shimla-09.
10. All the participants (Serial no. 1 to 11) of the aforesaid meeting.
11. All the Chief Medical Officers/Medical Superintendent in H.P.
12. The Programmer, Director Health Safety & Regulation H.P. with the directions to upload the proceeding on website of the Directorate.

  
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