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OFFICE ORDER

The Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Directorate General of Health Services (Medical Hospital – 1 Section), Govt. of India has directed vide their Order No. S-11025/45/10-MH-1 dated 26.05.2010 (overleaf) that **the doctors, in the best interest of overall health of patients and well being, may prescribe medicines alongwith nutritive/ supportive/ cosmetic agents. Such prescription of medicines alongwith nutritive/ supportive/ cosmetic agents can be reimbursed only partially (only to the extent of therapeutic nature of medicines). The cost of the rest of the medicines / agents/ materials prescribed by the Doctor will be expected to be borne by the employee(s).**

The Competent Authority of the Institute has consented to the implementation of the above suggestions in the Institute with immediate effect. All concerned are requested to take a note of above.



(Arvind Kumar Drave)
Administrative Officer (Admin.)

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Health Centre- | with a request to apprise the Doctors, including staff, of the Health
Centre suitably in the matter |
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MIN. OF H & FW (DTE GEN. HEALTH SERVICES - MEDICAL HOSPITAL - I SECTION) ORDER NO. S-11025/45/10-MH-1 DATED 26 MAY, 2010

ORDER

It has been observed that Doctors in the Central Government hospitals and autonomous institutes under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare prescribe specific brands of medicines quite often with a rider that no substitute should be supplied. Instances have also come a notice where the prescribed drug was very expensive and cheaper substitutes were available. However, they did not have any choice but to procure the prescribed drug.

The matter has been considered by the Competent Authority. It is observed that generic drugs are usually much cheaper than branded drugs. Therefore Central Government hospitals must provide only good quality generic medicines. It has, therefore, been decided that whenever any branded drug is prescribed in the above mentioned institutes, it shall invariably also be mentioned that any other equivalent generic drug could also be provided. For instance, if the prescription is for Tablet Crocin, then the prescription should read as 'Tab Crocin' or any other equivalent generic drug. The hospital would then give the flexibility of providing generic equivalents of the prescribed medicine.

It has also been decided that henceforth the prescription will be regularly monitored in Dte. G.H.S. to verify compliance with these instructions.

Sd/
(Dr. Arvind Thegaonkar)
Additional Deputy Director General (M)