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From Sumit Kumar, I.A.S., District Collector, ASR District, Paderu. To The Director, Centre for Integrated Tribal Research and Development, G-Tri-BAL, Rushikonda, Visakhapatnam.

Sir,

- Sub: ASR District Paderu Division Medical Camps and Health care services Permission to initiate the process of Identification of Prevalence of SCD among the school children of Hukumpeta Mandal– Permission accorded to M/s Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses, Vishakhapatnam -Regarding.
- Ref: Letter No.14/22:G-Tri-BAL from the Director, Centre for Integrated Tribal Research and Development (G-Tri-BAL), Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses, Vishakhapatnam, Dt.28.01.2023.

I invite your attention to the reference cited, wherein it was proposed to conduct medical camps for the control of Sickle Cell Disease in the tribal areas of Hukumpeta Mandal, Alluri Sitharama Raju District. The Director, Centre for Integrated Tribal Research and Development (G-Tri-BAL), Gayatri Vidya Parishad College for Degree and PG Courses, Vishakhapatnam has furnished certain terms of reference for conducting medical camps in Paderu Division.

It is to inform that after examining the terms of reference put forth by The Director, G-Tri-BAL, Visakhapatnam and owing to the poor health condition of the tribal people in Paderu Division, the District Administration feels it is necessary to promote medical camps in the tribal villages of Paderu Division. This endeavour may certainly improve the health condition/health awareness among the tribal community by Health Education with a special focus on SCD and better treatment to the affected people.

It is therefore to inform that permission is accorded to G-Tri-BAL to conduct SCD, general medical camps and Health awareness camps to the population with a special focus on school children, pregnant women and lactating women in the villages of Hukumpeta Mandal, Paderu Division subject to the following terms of

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reference;

- That the schedules of the SCD/General Medical Camps conducted by the G-Tri-BAL will be decided by them on a month-to-month basis and accordingly the permissions be accorded by the District Medical & Health Officer (DM & HO), Mandal Education Officer (MEO) and Mandal Child Development Project Officer (CDPO) of Alluri Sitharama Raju District.
- 2. That creating awareness on SCD by G-Tri-BAL will be done with the help of Health Educators of Novartis-Arogya Parivar.
- 3. That the G-Tri-BAL will create a Red Directory for effective Management of SCD Patients
- 4. That the Medical Camps conducted by the G-Tri-BAL, in association with GVP Institute of Health Care and Medical Technology (in short referred as Hospital herein) will primarily identify general medical cases in the tribal villages and assess the patients for any further/specific disorders.
- 5. That the patients coming to the hospital will be treated free of cost and they be paid the transport charges while leaving. In case of any special assistance which is not available in the hospital, they will be referred to KGH, Visakhapatnam.
- 6. That the Hospital ensures not more than ten (10) patients will be shifted from the village/camp site to Hospital. After the completion of hospitalization/treatment, arrangements will be made by the hospital to drop the patients to their respective villages.
- 7. That the Hospital shall not conduct any drug trials on the patients at the camp site or on the patients that are shifted from the campsite to hospital.
- 8. That the Hospital shall ensure to provide healthy and hygienic food prescribed by its dietician to all the Inpatients from the tribal villages. That the Hospital shall also ensure to provide Healthy and Hygienic food in their cafeteria at subsidized rates to one attendant of the Tribal inpatient.
- 9. That the Hospital shall provide care to patients regardless of race, gender, ethnicity, religion, beliefs etc.
- 10.That the Hospital is not responsible if the patients refuse treatment/doctors advice.
- 11.That the Hospital shall take consent from the patient / family members /

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guardian before hospitalization / treatment.

- 12. That the Hospital shall provide care to patients with dignity and respect.
- 13.That the G-Tri-BAL shall keep the Collector and District Magistrate, Alluri Sitharama Raju District as well as the Project Officer, ITDA, Paderu and DM & HO informed about any activities that shall be conducted in Hukumpeta Mandal, Paderu Division.
- 14. That the Hospital shall furnish details of Tribal patients along with medical history to the DM & HO, ASR District on request.
- 15.That the Hospital will facilitate treatment at Mahatma Gandhi Cancer Hospital & Research Centre, Visakhapatnam (with which they have an MOU) for SCD patients requiring bone marrow transplantation duly informing the District Collector.
- 16.That the G-Tri-BAL shall not share any Data of SCD patients to others without prior intimations to Collector and District Magistrate, Alluri Sitharama Raju District as well as the Project Officer, ITDA, Paderu and DM & HO

It is further to inform that the permission so accorded to Centre for Integrated Tribal Research and Development (G-Tri-BAL), to conduct SCD / General medical camps in Hukumpeta Mandal, Paderu Division has come into force with immediate effect and valid only for eighteen (18) months from February, 2023.

In view of the above it is therefore requested to conduct SCD / General medical camps in the tribal villages of Hukumpeta Mandal, Paderu Revenue Division duly adhering to the terms of reference stated above.

Yours faithfully, Gandhi Sumit Kumar District Collector, ASR District, Paderu.

Copy to

The Project Officer, I.T.D.A., Paderu for information.

The Sub Collector, Paderu for information.

The DM&HO, ASR Dist, Paderu for further necessary action.

The Tahsildar/ MPDO in Hukumpeta Mandal for information.