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No. F.24/20/2003/NH/DHS/HQ/ 153 4/-018 Dated: 21/2/2013 16227-238 ORDER

Sub: Providing immediate medical treatment to victims of crimes or road accidents.

In continuation with guidelines on the subject issued by this Department vide letters dated 30/10/1998, 31/03/2002, 27/11/2008 and 07/02/2011 all hospitals including private hospitals and nursing homes, functioning in the National Capital Territory of Delhi, are hereby directed to attend to victims of crimes and trauma in dire need of immediate medical treatment, including victims of rape and road accident, and provide them immediate treatment.

The above said hospitals/nursing homes shall not refuse to provide medical treatment for any reason including that the case involved is of medico-legal nature. In such cases the hospital / nursing home concerned shall also call / inform the nearest Police Station or the Police Control Room concerning the medico legal case.

Attention of all the above hospitals/nursing homes is drawn to clause 14.2 of the Schedule appended with Rule 14 of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration (Amendment) Rules, 2011 which provides as under:

"14.2 The nursing home shall not refuse treatment to the injured /serious patients brought to them due to any reason, whatsoever."

Any such victim brought to the hospital/nursing home either by the Police or the public or on their own, shall not be refused immediate medical treatment that may be required to stabilize the emergency medical condition of the victim.

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Non-compliance of the aforementioned directions by defaulting hospitals / nursing homes shall attract appropriate disciplinary / punitive action including cancellation of registration.

(S.C.L. Das)
Secretary (H&FW)

To

All Medical Directors/Medical Superintendents of Private Hospitals/ Nursing Homes of Delhi

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- 3. Commissioner of Police, Delhi Police Head Quarters, IP Estate, New Delhi
- 4. Spl. Commr. (Operations), Delhi Police, Police Headquarters, ITO, New Delhi
- 5. Pr. Secretary to Chief Minister, Govt. of Delhi, Delhi Secretariat, New Delhi
- 6. Secretary to Hon'ble Minister of Health, 6th level, A- wing, Delhi Secretariat, I P Estate, New Delhi 110 002
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- 9. PS to Secretary, Min. of Health & Family Welfare, Govt. of India, Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi 110 108
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