Government of NCT of Delhi Directorate of Health Services F-17, Karkardooma, Delhi-32. Ant Quackery Cell (Ph.No.22304549)

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Office Memorandum

With a view to have more effective antiquackery measures in NCT of Delhi, the Competent Authority has decided that,

- Directorate of Health Services and Directorate of AYUSH would continue to play a
 supportive and coordinating role at administrative level; and the respective councils viz.
 Delhi Medical Council, Delhi Bhartiya Chikitsa Parishad, Board of Homeopathic System
 of Medicine, Delhi Council for Physiotherapy & Occupational Therapy, Delhi Dental
 Council would diligently discharge their responsibilities under the law and fulfill the
 legislative intent behind their constitution in checking quackery.
- 2. <u>Inspection procedure</u>: The Chief District Medical Officer of the district or his designated nominee will be the Lead Officer of the inspection team with a nominee of the Deptt. of I.S.M. for each district and one nodal Officer from each of above five councils (district wise), whose names will be duly notified by them with full details to the Lead Officer and a copy endorsed to Addl. Commissioner of Police (HQ), DCP of each district and this office. This action shall be completed by all concerned within 15 days of the Hon'ble High Court's order dated 20.05.2014, i.e. by 05.06.2014 and an ATR may be sent to the undersigned for onward transmission.

The inspections shall be carried out in each District at least once a month or more frequently based on complaints or inputs from any other source or if and when decided by the Lead Officer. The office of the CDMO will be the meeting or convening point for inspection team. The Lead Officer will requisition police assistance if and when required and will forward the report for necessary action to the respective Council(s) for taking up the matter appropriately and effectively with the Police and/or Court for action as per law.

 All surveys and mapping in relation to quackery and data-base thereof will be maintained by respective Councils as an ongoing activity, besides having adequate and effective mechanisms for action against quackery using said database for the purpose and also deploying sufficient logistics and resources to carry out these tasks on a regular basis.

- 4. When a quack is identified on verification by the Council, all the closure proceedings of his/her medical practice in this regard will be done by the respective Councils, under the provisions of law.
- The primary responsibilities as regulators shall continue to vest in and be performed by the Councils in their respective domains, as mandated in their respective Statutes.
- 6. The Councils will put up the updated list of members on their website and access to the details of the registered members will be made available, if not already available, to the Delhi Administration as also the State Police Authorities.
- The Registrar of each Council as named in para 1 above will respond to any request for verification of persons, within 24 hours and latest within 72 hours.
- 8. The Councils will prepare annual plan for publicity and mass dissemination of information against quackery for generating public awareness.
- Regarding the quantum of punishment for quackery, the Councils would formulate a
 proposal for amendment in their respective statute and pursue with the Government for
 enhancement of the penalty.
- 10. The Drugs Control Department would direct its staff on inspection duty to check malpractices regarding chemists stocking and/or selling of medicines in an illegal or unauthorized manner and send monthly report to the lead officer of antiquackery inspection team. It there is no case then a 'Nil' report to be sent to the lead officer.
- 11. The Medical Superintendent, Nursing Home Cell, Directorate of Health Services, Govt. of NCT of Delhi will take appropriate action against Nursing Homes/Hospitals employing unqualified persons as RMOs under provisions of Delhi Nursing Homes

Registration Act and send monthly report to the lead officer of antiquackery inspection team. It there is no case then a 'Nil' report to be sent to the Lead Officer.

12. All Lead Officers mentioned above will send a quarterly ATR and inputs if any, with suggestion/recommendations to the undersigned.

The above decisions come into force with immediate effect for strict compliance by all concerned.

This issues with prior approval of the competent authority.

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Director (Health Services)
Dated: 2-7/5/13

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