Sub: Recognition of Sentini Hospital, Vijayawada for treatment of Central Government employees under CS (MA) Rules, 1944.

The undersigned is directed to say that the proposal received for recognition of Sentini Hospital, Vijayawada for treatment of Central Government Employees and their family members under Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1944 has been examined in this Ministry and found to be in order. It has been decided to grant recognition to the Sentini Hospital, Vijayawada under CS (MA) Rules, 1944.

2. The Schedule of charges for the treatment of Central Government Employees and the members of their family under the CS (MA) Rules, 1944, will be the rates fixed for CGHS NABH, Hyderabad rates. The approved rates are available on the website of CGHS (http://msotransparent.nic.in/cghsnew/index.asp) and may be downloaded/printed.

3. The undersigned is further directed to clarify as under:-

(a) "Package Rate" shall mean and include lump sum cost of in-patient treatment/day care/diagnostic procedure for which a CS(MA) beneficiary has been permitted by the competent authority or for treatment under emergency from the time of admission to the time of discharge, including (but not limited to)-(i) Registration charges, (ii) Admission charges, (iii) Accommodation charges including patient’s diet, (iv) Operation charges, (v) Injection charges, (vi) Dressing charges, (vii) Doctor/consultant visit charges, (viii) ICU/ICCU charges, (ix) Monitoring charges, (x) Transfusion charges, (xi) Anesthesia charges, (xii) Operation theatre charges, (xiii) Procedural charges / Surgeon’s fee, (xiv) Cost of surgical disposables and all sundries used during hospitalization, (xv) Cost of medicines, (xvi) Related routine and essential investigations, (xvii) Physiotherapy charges etc., (xviii) Nursing care and charges for its services.

(b) Cost of Implants is reimbursable in addition to package rates as per CGHS ceiling rates for implants.

(c) Treatment charges for new born baby are separately reimbursable in addition to delivery charges for mother.

(d) Sentini Hospital, Vijayawada shall not charge more than the package rates fixed for CGHS NABH, Hyderabad rates.
(e) Expenses on toiletries, cosmetics, telephone bills etc. are not reimbursable and are not included in package rates.

4. Package rates envisage duration of indoor treatment as follows:
   
   Up to 12 days: for Specialized (Super Specialities) treatment
   Up to 7 days: for other Major Surgeries
   Up to 3 days: for Laparoscopic surgeries/normal Deliveries
   1 day: for day care/Minor (OPD) surgeries.
   
   No additional charge on account of extended period of stay shall be allowed if that extension is due to infection on the consequences of surgical procedure or due to any improper procedure and is not justified.

In case, there are no CGHS prescribed rates for any test/procedure, then AIIMS rates are applicable. If there are no AIIMS rates, then reimbursement is to be arrived at by calculating admissible amount item-wise (e.g. room rent, investigations, cost of medicines, procedure charges etc) as per approved rates/actually, in case of investigations.

5. (a) CS (MA) beneficiaries are entitled to facilities of private, semi-private or general ward depending on their basic pay. The entitlement is as follows:

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(b) The package rates given in rate list of CGHS are for semi-private ward.

(c) The package rates prescribed are for semi-private ward. If the beneficiary is entitled for general ward there will be a decrease of 10% in the rates; for private ward entitlement there will be an increase of 15%. However, the rates shall be same for investigation irrespective of entitlement, whether the patient is admitted or not and the test, per-se, does not require admission.

6. The hospital shall charge from the beneficiary as per the CGHS prescribed rates or its own rate list whichever is lower. The hospital shall charge CGHS NABH Hyderabad rates.

7. (a) The maximum room rent admissible for different categories would be:

   - General ward: Rs. 1000/- per day
   - Semi-private ward: Rs. 2000/- per day
   - Private ward: Rs. 3000/- per day
   - Day care (6 to 8 Hrs.): Rs. 500/- (same for all categories)

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(b) Room rent mentioned above at (a) above is applicable only for treatment procedures for which there is no CGHS prescribed package rate.

Room rent will include charges for occupation of bed, diet for the patient, charges for water and electricity supply, linen charges, nursing charges and routine up keeping.

(c) During the treatment in ICCU/ICU, no separate room rent will be admissible.

(d) Private ward is defined as a hospital room where single patient is accommodated and which has an attached toilet (lavatory and bath). The room should have furnishings like wardrobe, dressing table, bed-side table, sofa set, etc. as well as a bed for attendant. The room has to be air-conditioned.

(e) Semi Private ward is defined as a hospital room where two to three patients are accommodated and which has attached toilet facilities and necessary furnishings.

(f) General ward is defined as hall that accommodates four to ten patients.

(g) Normally the treatment in higher category of accommodation than the entitled category is not permissible. However, in case of an emergency when the entitled category accommodation is not available, admission in the immediate higher category may be allowed till the entitled category accommodation becomes available. However, if a particular hospital does not have the ward as per entitlement of beneficiary, then the hospital can only bill as per entitlement of the beneficiary even though the treatment was given in higher type of ward.

If, on the request of the beneficiary, treatment is provided in a higher category of ward, then the expenditure over and above entitlement will have to be borne by the beneficiary.

8. In case of non-emergencies, the beneficiary shall have the option of availing specific treatment/investigation from any of the empanelled hospitals of his/her choice (provided the hospital is recognized for that treatment procedure/test), after the specific treatment/investigation has been advised by Authorized Medical Attendant and on production of valid ID card and permission letter from his/her concerned Ministry/Department.

9. The hospital shall honour permission letter issued by competent authority and provide treatment/investigation facilities as specified in the permission letter.

10. The hospital shall also provide treatment/investigation facilities to the CGHS beneficiaries and their eligible dependent family members at its own rates or rates approved under CS (MA) Rules, whichever is lower. The hospital shall provide treatment to pensioner CGHS beneficiaries after authentication through verification of valid CGHS Cards.

11. However, pensioner CGHS beneficiaries would make payment for the medical treatment at approved rates as mentioned above and submit the medical reimbursement claim to the Addl. Director, CGHS through the CMO i/c of the CGHS Wellness Centre, where the CGHS Card of the beneficiary is registered.

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12. In case of emergencies, the beneficiary shall have the option of availing specific treatment/investigation from any of the empanelled hospitals of his/her choice (provided the hospital is recognized for that treatment procedure/test), on production of valid ID card, issued by competent authority.

13. During the in-patient treatment of the CS (MA) beneficiary, the Hospital will not ask the beneficiary or his attendant to purchase separately the medicines/sundries/equipment or accessories from outside and will provide the treatment within the package rate, fixed by the CGHS which includes the cost of all the items.

14. In case of treatment taken in emergency in any non-recognized private hospitals, reimbursement shall be considered by competent authority at CGHS prescribed Package/rates only.

15. If one or more minor procedures form part of a major treatment procedure, then package charges would be permissible for major procedure and only 50% of charges for minor procedure.

16. The Hospital shall agree for conducting all investigation/diagnostic tests/consultations etc. of the Central Civil Services Group “A” Officers of age of 40 years and above and other categories of CGHS/CS (MA) beneficiaries as specified by government from time to time as per prescribed protocol as per Annexure, subject to the condition that the hospital shall not charge more than Rs. 2000/- for conducting the prescribed medical examination of the male officers and Rs. 2200 for female officers of Central Government who come to the hospital/institution with the requisite permission letter from their Ministry/Department/Competent authority. The above rates for medical examination are valid until such time when the above rates are revised by the Central Government.”

17. Any legal liability arising out of such services shall be the sole responsibility and shall be dealt with by the concerned empanelled hospital. Services will be provided by the Hospital as per the terms given above.

18. Ministry of Health & Family Welfare reserves the right to withdraw/cancel the above recognition without assigning any reason.

19. The order takes effect from the date of issue of the O.M. The hospital stands recognized under CS (MA) Rules, 1944 for a period of 4 (four) years from the date of issue of this O.M.

20. The authorities of Sentini Hospital, Vijayawada will have to enter into an agreement with the Government of India to the effect that the Hospital will charge from the Central Government employees at the rates fixed by the Government and they will have to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) within a period of 3 months from the date of issue of the above mentioned OM failing which the Hospital will be derecognized (Two original copies of MoU printed on the stamp paper and duly signed by the Hospital to be sent for acceptance). Subject to above, the Hospital can start treating Central Government employees covered under CS (MA) Rules, 1944.

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21. A communication in acceptance of the Para 20 above may be sent to the undersigned within a week from the receipt of this Office Memorandum.

(Sunil Kumar Gupta)
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Tele: 23061986

To,

1. Dr. Sandeep Velugulati, Chief Operating Officer, Sentini Hospitals, D. No. 54-15-5B & 5C, Near Vinayaka Theatre, Ring Road, Vijayawada-8.
2. Shri I.P. Vardhani, Income Tax Officer (HQ-I) & Secretary, CGEWWCC, O/o the Principal Commissioner of Income Tax, 1st Floor, SVR Plaza, D. No. 40-6-15, Revenue Colony, Siddhartha Public School Road, Moghalrajpuram, Vijayawada – 520010.
3. All Ministries/Departments of Govt. of India as per distribution list.
4. Directorate General of Health Services (MG-II Section)
6. Admn.I/Admn.II Sections of Directorate General Health Services
8. The Manager/Editorial Department, Swamy Publishers (P) Ltd., Sandhya Mansions, 236, R.K. Mutt Road, P.B. No.2468, Raja Annamalaipuram, Chennai-600028.
10. Finance Division of Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi
11. Shri Umraomal Purohit, Secretary, Staff Side, 13-C, Ferozshah Road, New Delhi 110001.
12. All staff side members of National Council (JCM).
13. NIC, Nirman Bhawan, with the request that the O.M. be uploaded in the website of the Ministry.
15. Guard file of EHS Section.