



COPY OF G.O.(Ms) NO.339 HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (L2) DEPARTMENT DATED 14.10.2009.

ABSTRACT

Public Health – Reduction of duty timing of Medical Officers in Primary Health Centres – Orders – Issued.

HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (L-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.(Ms) No.339

Dated: 14.10.2009.
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Read:

- 1.G.O.Ms.No.169 Health and Family Welfare Department dated 20.01.1989.
- 2.From the State Secretary, Tamil Nadu Government Doctor's Association, Madurai dated 02.04.2009.
- 3.G.O.(Ms) No.125, Health and Family Welfare Department dated 20.04.2009.
- 4.From the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine Letter No.24785/PHC.Inspn/A2/09 dated 09.09.2009.

ORDER:

The following existing working time was prescribed for Primary Health Centres in the Government order first read above.

“ The daily time schedule for centre based services and activities is as follows:-

08.00 a.m.	to	11.00 a.m.	-	O.P. Duty
11.00 a.m.	to	01.00 p.m.	-	Special Clinics/Surgery
02.00 p.m.	to	04.00 p.m.	-	Administrative work
04.00 p.m.	to	05.00 p.m.	-	Evening OP Duty

After 5.00 p.m. duty at call.

One of the Medical Officers will attend the after noon OP Duty on alternate days from 04.00 p.m. to 05.00 p.m.

Emergencies should be attended all 24 hours in rotation by Medical Officers of the Primary Health Centres.



The time schedule for field services and activities is also from 08.00 a.m. to 05.00 p.m. These should be displayed in the Primary Health Centres in a Black Board with name, contact place and time to enable other officers to note”.

2. Tamil Nadu Government Doctors' Association has put forth the various grievances to the Government and requested to solve the demands. One of the demands is reduction of duty timing of the Medical Officers of the Primary Health Centres. The Government in the Government Order third read above issued orders constituting a Committee under the

Chairmanship of Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine with 18 members to study the demand of the Tamil Nadu Government Doctors Association for reducing the duty timing of the Doctors working in the Primary Health Centres and to submit its recommendation to the Government within a period of one month.

3. Accordingly, the Committee has discussed the issue relating to reduction of duty timings of Medical Officers in Primary Health Centres and submitted its report and recommended for reducing the duty timing of the Medical Officers working in Primary Health Centre. The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine has submitted the report of the committee and requested the Government to issue necessary orders in this regard.

4. The Government have examined the recommendation of the Committee and decided to accept the recommendation of the Committee for reduction of duty timings of the Medical Officers working in Primary Health Centres. Accordingly, the Government direct the following working time of Medical Officers be prescribed in Primary Health Centres as follows:-

i. Primary Health Centres with 5 Medical Officers:

Method of duty	:	Shift Basis
	:	8.00 a.m. to 02.00 p.m. – 2 Medical Officers- in-charge Medical Officer + Duty Medical Officers
	:	02.00 p.m. to 08.00 p.m. – 1 Medical Officer.
	:	08.00 p.m. to 08.00 a.m. Next day – 1 Medical Officer (Stay Duty)

In-charge Medical Officers are responsible for posting the Medical Officers in rotation, so that , at any point of time one Medical Officer is on duty.

ii. The Primary Health Centres with 3 Medical Officers, 2 Medical Officers and single Medical Officers – duty timing.



09.00 a.m. to 04.00 p.m. : Two Medical Officers / Single Medical Officers
01.00 p.m. to 01.30 p.m. : Lunch time.

One of the Medical Officers/Single Medical Officer should attend the call duty from 4.00 p.m. to 09.00 a.m. of next day on rotation basis in case of any epidemic, food poisoning, adverse events following immunization and mass casualty. The rotation should be on weekly basis. The Medical Officers should stay in the Head Quarters.

5. The working time of Medical Officer should be displayed in the Primary Health Centres in a black board with name, contact place and time to enable other officers to note.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

V.K. SUBBURAJ
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To.

The Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine Chennai-6.
The Principal Secretary and Director of Indian Medicine and Homeopathy Chennai-106.
The Mission Director, State Health Society Chennai-6.
The Project Director, Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society Chennai-8.
The Managing Director, Tamil Nadu Medical Services Corporation Chennai-8.
The Director of Medical and Rural Health Services Chennai-6.
The Director of Medical Education Chennai-10.
The Director of Drugs Control Chennai -06.
All District Collectors
All Deputy Director of Health Services through the Director of Public Health and Preventive Medicine Chennai-6.
The Director, Tamil Nadu State Health Transport Department Chennai-32.
The Project Director, Tamil Nadu Blindness Control Society Chennai-8.
The State Secretary, Tamil Nadu Government Doctors' Association No.208, DAS Quarters
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The Chief Minister's office Chennai-9.