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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
(HOSPITAL-I SECTION)

NIRMAN BHAWAN, NEW DELHI,
DATED: 20TH FEBRUARY, 2019

SUBJECT: ADVISORY FOR CENTRAL GOVERNMENT HOSPITALS/ MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS RELATING TO PURCHASE OF MEDICINES ETC. BY POOR PATIENTS -REG.

Sir/Madam,

It has been brought to the notice of this Ministry time and again that poor patients, who are suffering from cancer and other dreaded diseases and receiving treatment at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) and other central government hospitals across the country, are allegedly being advised by hospital authorities to purchase medicines/drugs from private drug dealers, authorized by the hospital authorities.

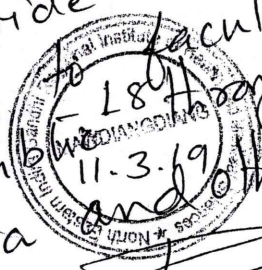
2. In this regard, it is brought to the notice of all concerned that in order to make the treatment affordable, the central Government has taken various initiatives including opening of AMRIT pharmacy and Jan Aushadhi Stores in most of the hospitals/institutions under Central Government in Delhi and outside Delhi.

3. All Central Government hospitals/ Institutions/ autonomous bodies are hereby advised to suitably instruct the poor patients to avail the facilities of affordable medicines from Government pharmacies, like Jan Aushadhi Pharmacy and AMRIT Store located in the hospital premises so that poor patients are not unnecessarily subjected to harassment by sometimes paying double the cost of the same medicines from private drug dealers from the open market. Towards achieving this objective wide publicity in the hospitals/Institutions premises may be given so that there is adequate awareness among the patients and their relatives.

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Yours faithfully,

(G. P. Samanta)

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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