

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA HEALTH&FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

File No. PT2-HFW-SCH-I-MISC-0023-2020 - <u>20034</u> /H Dated, 16-07-2021 From

Shri P.K. Mohapatra, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary to Government.

To

All Collector & District Magistrates

The Commissioner, Municipal Corporations

Bhubaneswar, Cuttack, Berhampur, Sambalpur and Rourkela

All CDM & PHOs

Sub:- COVID-19 vaccination of Transgender persons - Reg.

Ref:- No.T-22014/19/2021/Immunization dated, 15th July, 2021 of the Govt. of India, Ministry of Health & FW

Madam/Sir,

With reference to the letter cited above on the subject, I am to say that MoHFW has communicated to facilitate the COVID-19 vaccination of transgender person without any discrimination or causing any inconvenience & social stigma. If such persons don't have any prescribed identify card, then SoPs communicated earlier regarding vaccination of citizens without any prescribed ID card shall be followed and registration & vaccination shall be ensured.

You are, therefore, requested to disseminate the above instruction with all Programme Officers / Managers, Verifier and Vaccinators immediately for ensuring 100% coverage of Transgender persons.

Additional Chief Secretary to Government

Memo No. 20035/H

Dated, 16-07-3021

Copy forwarded to the Mission Director, NHM, Odisha for kind information,

Memo No. 20036 /H Deputy Secretary to Government

Copy forwarded to the DFW, Odisha for information & necessary action,

Deputy Secretary to Government

Receipt No-T-22014/19/2021 - Immunization Government of India Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Immunization Division

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi 15th July 2021

To.

Principal Secretary, (Health & Family Welfare) - All States/UTs

Subject: - COVID-19 vaccination of Transgender Persons -reg.

Sir/Madam.

This Ministry is in receipt of OM letter no. 13011(7)/1/2021-DP-I, dated 6th July 2021 from Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment on the above mentioned subject.

I am directed to request you to instruct the concerned officials to facilitate the Covid vaccination of transgender persons without any discrimination or causing any inconvenience & social stigma.

In this regard, it is also informed that Govt, of India has already shared SOPs on COVID-19 vaccination of persons without any prescribed identity cards. Therefore, it would not be difficult to vaccinate transgender persons even if they do not have any of the prescribed identity cards for registration on CoWIN.

Enclosed: As above

Yours sincerely

Dr. M K Aggarwal Additional Commissioner (UIP)

Copy to:

- 1. MD (NHM), All States / UTs
- Sh. Shantanu Dixit, Assistant Director (DP Division), Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment in reference to OM letter no. 13011(7)/1/2021-DP-1, dated 6th July 2021