

Government of India
Ministry of Communications
Department of Posts
(Welfare & Sports Section)

Dak Bhawan, Sansad Marg,
New Delhi - 110 001

Dated 21.7.2020

~~Date: 21.07.2020~~

To

All Heads of Circle

Subject: Measures regarding Covid-19 pandemic, requirement- reg.

1. In view of the existing conditions due to Covid-19 pandemic, Postal Services, classified as essential service under Essential Services Maintenance Act (ESMA), have remained functional despite lockdown and Departmental and GDS Employees have been making consistent efforts in providing basic postal and financial services to the public. GDS Employees at present, are not provided medical assistance like Government Employees are. Hence, in order to facilitate GDS Employees, it has been decided to include point No 14 in Para No. 14.1 of Order No.19 -31/2012 -WL/Sport Dated 17th September 2013:-

Para No. 14.1

S. No.	Details	Financial Assistance to GDS
14.	Financial Assistance in case of GDS Employee suffering from COVID-19	Rs. 20,000/-

2. GDS Employees may be advised to download 'Aarogya Setu' App on their mobile phones and self-assess themselves by uploading their health status on the application. If GDS is unwell or shows any symptoms of COVID 19 i.e. fever, Cough or Breathlessness etc. he/ she may contact any Government Hospital/ Centre/ Private Hospital and if advised RT-PCR test for COVID 19, the same may be undertaken from any identified Government / Private Hospitals/ Labs.

3. GDS Employee will be eligible only once for financial grant at Para No.1 above.

4. The amount may be sanctioned from Circle Welfare Fund for GDS and CPMG will be the Competent Authority / Sanctioning Authority.

5. The amount should be sanctioned after duly scrutinizing and verifying all supporting documents like Doctor's Prescription, Medical Bills etc.

6. Circles have sufficient funds in Circle Welfare Fund for GDS as per their closing balance for the year 2019-20. In case any additional funds are required in the

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GDS Welfare fund (when Circle do not have sufficient fund in GDS Welfare fund), matter may be taken up with Directorate at the earliest.

This has been approved by Competent Authority.

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Director (Welfare & Sports)

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Dated : 15.09.2021

To

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Subject: Measures regarding Covid-19 pandemic, requirement- reg.

In continuation Directorate letter no. 20-8/2020-Wel & Sports Dated 21.07.2020 on the above subject. It is intimated that Financial Assistance in case of GDS Employee suffering from COVID-19 is now enhanced from Rs. 20000/- to Rs. 50000/-. All other terms and conditions remain unchanged.

This issues with the concurrence of IFW with Diary No.91/2021-22/FA(CS) dated 15.09.2021 and approval of competent authority.

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Director (Welfare & Sports)

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Date: 29 .10.2021

To
All Heads of Circles

Subject: Clarification on measures regarding Covid-19 pandemic, requirement- reg.

Andhra Pradesh Circle vide letter No. WLF/8-18/GDS/Rlgs dated 13.10.2021 sought clarification on the following:

a. Whether the enhancement of Rs. 20,000/- to Rs. 50,000/- to GDS employees suffering from COVID-19 is applicable to only for GDS infected with COVID-19 and taken treatment after the issue of Directorate guidelines dated 15.09.2021.

b. Whether aforesaid Directorate orders are applicable to the claims for COVID treatment which were received at Circle Office prior to the issue of Directorate orders dated 15.09.2021 and yet to be sanctioned.

c. Whether aforesaid Directorate orders are applicable to all the claims for COVID treatment which were already settled since issue of Directorate orders vide letters no. 20.08/2020-W&S dated 21.07.2020 & 28.07.2020.

2. In this regard, following are stated:

With respect to Point a, b & c: The enhanced financial assistance of Rs. 50, 000/- will applicable to those GDS Employees who have taken treatment after the date of issue of the order i.e. 15.09.2021

Further, it is to clarify that the financial assistance of Rs. 50,000/- is maximum ceiling. All Heads of Circle are delegated with the power to sanction an amount of up to Rs.50,000/- or as per actual bill submitted by concerned GDS, whichever is less. Also, Claim must be settled as per extant instruction contained in letter No. 20-08/2020-W&S dated 21.07.2020 & 28.07.2020.

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The CPMG, A.P. Circle

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