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## Office Memorandum

The following guidelines and procedures may please be strictly adhered to in connection with medical attendance of persons under judicial custody (hereinafter referred to as the detenue), referred to designated hospitals of the Govt. of NCT of Delhi:

1. Hospital authorities should satisfy themselves that the detenue has been duly referred by the Jail authorities with accompanying documentation. They should insist on advance intimation by Jail authorities so that adequate preparations to receive the detenue can be made by the hospital.

2. In case the detenue is to be medically referred to another health facility, such referrals should be done under proper coordination and communication between the two facilities.

3. The hospital authority will be responsible for the medical care of the detenue and will make necessary arrangement for the same. While doing so, the hospital authority will also ensure that patient care facilities for the public or other indoor patients in that hospital are not compromised.

4. Safety and security of and access to detenues lodged in hospitals, including verification and admission of visitors to meet the detenue, will be the exclusive responsibility of Jail authorities (including agencies/detachments under their control) who will make in situ arrangement for the purpose.

5. Any specific arrangement related to food, clothing, attendant, etc other than what is prescribed or is admissible in the hospital under hospital rules should be specifically conveyed in writing by Jail authorities to the hospital authorities.

6. Allotment of appropriate bed to the detenue in the hospital should be decided by hospital authorities in consultation with Jail authorities who should give specific advice in this regard, inter alia keeping the security requirement of the detenue in view.

7. Orders, if any, passed by competent courts with regard to any of the aforesaid aspects should be promptly conveyed by Jail authorities to hospital authorities for compliance.

8. Medical status of the detenue may be shared by the hospital with the Jail authorities or the competent court, as the case may be, and no communication will be made in this regard by hospital authorities with any other agency.

9. The responsibility of management of assembly of persons and maintaining public order inside and outside the hospital perimeter will be responsibility of the area police who should be intimated in advance by the Jail authorities in case of movement of the detenue.

10. The hospital authorities should promptly inform the Station House Officer of the local police station of arrival/scheduled arrival of the detenue, on receipt of such information.

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To:

All Directors/Medical Superintendents of Hospital/Health Institutions under GNCTD

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