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It has come to the notice of this Directorate that there is an upsurge of fever cases in Delhi, many of them are diagnosed as dengue. Dengue cases with complications are also reporting to various private hospitals and nursing homes.

It has been reported that some serious patients are being denied admission due to non-availability of beds in private hospitals/nursing homes.

In view of this, it has been decided in meeting held under the Chairmanship of Hon’ble Health Minister of Delhi on 15/09/2015 at 7.00 p.m. at Delhi Secretariat that all private hospitals/nursing homes are allowed to increase the bed strength upto 10% to 20% of their approved bed strength on a temporary basis for a period of two months i.e. upto 15th November 2015. This duration will be reviewed further depending upon the load of dengue case in the city.

Hospitals/Nursing Homes are advised to accommodate extra beds in the wards for the time being and, if required, beds may also be placed in the corridors and waiting-area for admitting such patients. The clauses with respect to infrastructure and manpower mentioned in the Schedule appended with Rule 14 of Delhi Nursing Homes Registration (Amendment) Rules, 2011 would be relaxed for the said period in order to facilitate the Hospitals/Nursing Homes to temporarily increase their bed capacity.

It is pertinent to mention that these extra beds shall be utilised for admitting fever and dengue cases, only. Furthermore, the tariff levied by the concerned private hospitals/nursing homes for such beds shall not be more than 50% of the lowest economy category therein.

Hospitals/Nursing Homes shall not deny treatment/admission to any dengue patient requiring indoor care. In exigency more than one patient may be accommodated on a single bed. In case a patient needs to be shifted to a higher centre, he/she shall transferred in the hospital ambulance accompanied by a doctor in coordination with the Casualty Medical Officer on duty of the higher centre.

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To
All Directors/Medical Superintendents of Private Hospitals, Nursing Homes in NCT of Delhi.

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