

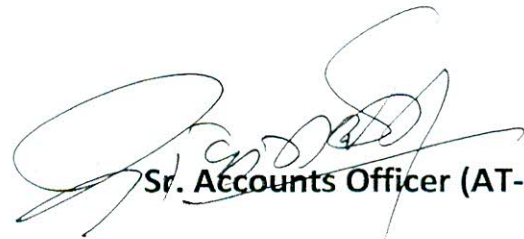
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To

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**Subject: Medical Treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel (ANA) and their families in Hospitals of Armed Forces in India.**

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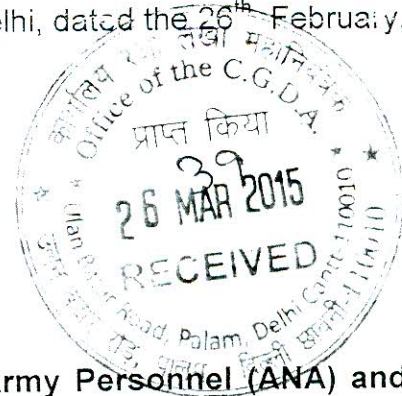
  
Sr. Accounts Officer (AT-IV)

**F. No. 7(2)/2006/D(Medical)**  
Bharat Sarkar / Government of India  
Raksha Mantralaya / M/o Defence

New Delhi, dated the 26<sup>th</sup> February, 2015

To

The Chief of Army Staff  
The Chief of Naval Staff  
The Chief of Air Staff  
New Delhi



Subject: **Medical Treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel (ANA) and their families in Hospitals of Armed Forces in India.**

Sir,

In continuation of this Ministry's letter No. 23102/AFGHAN/DGAFMS/DG-3A/774/D(Med) dated 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2014, ex-post facto sanction of the President is conveyed to extend the provision of medical facilities to Afghan National Army personnel and their families in Armed Forces Hospitals in India for the period from 01.04. 2014 to 31.3.2019 **or till further orders whichever is earlier** subject to the conditions given below:-

(a) The number of Afghan patients to be sent to India for medical treatment **will be limited to 60 per year.** The expenditure to be incurred on the medical treatment on such patients in Hospitals of Armed Forces in India will be on actual basis and be limited to Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh only) per year. **However, if there is a delay in issuance of financial sanction there should be no disturbance in implementation of the scheme in anticipation of the financial sanction from the Ministry of External Affairs.**

(b) No Hospital stoppages will be recovered in respect of the Afghan Patients. However, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) will place an amount of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh only) at the disposal of DGAFMS in two installments of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rupees twenty five lakh only) each during the year. Hospitals will intimate the total expenditure on each patient to the Office of DGAFMS who will reimburse the amount directly to the Patient Welfare Fund of the concerned Hospital. Any amount remaining unspent at the end of the period will be returned by DGAFMS to MEA.

(c) The cost of passage from Afghanistan to the Hospital of Armed Forces in India and back will be borne by Embassy of India, Kabul, who will debit the expenditure to the appropriate budget head of the Mission. However, in cases of transfer of patients from one Hospitals of Armed Forces to another, the expenditure will be borne by the Government of India. **Such transfer from one Armed Forces Hospital to another within India, will be arranged by transferring hospital using**

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**funds from the Patient Welfare Fund. The cost of transfer will subsequently be intimated to office of DGAFMS who will reimburse the amount directly to the Patient Welfare Fund of the concerned Hospital.**

(d) The Afghan National Army Personnel and their families recommended by PAI Division, Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) only will be eligible for treatment.

(e) **The ANA Personnel seconded or deputed to Afghan National Police (ANP) and their families recommended by PAI Div., Ministry of External Affairs will also be eligible for the facility subject to confirmation by the MEA that they are actually ANA personnel.**

2. Following guidelines will be complied with for referring admission and treatment of the Afghan National Army Personnel and their families in the Hospitals of Armed Forces:-

(a) The status of the patient will be clearly mentioned to enable the hospital to put him in the appropriate ward.

(b) Cases with the diagnosis of TB, mental disorders, AIDS and other diseases of chronic nature which require prolonged hospitalization will not be admitted in the hospitals of Armed Forces. Similarly, cases which require only convalescent treatment will also not be admitted.

3. SOP for medical treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel and their families in Armed Forces hospitals in India and for operating the corpus of fund available for this purpose are attached at Annexure I and II respectively.

4. This issues with the concurrence of the Ministry of External Affairs vide their Dy. No. 5676/US/IA dated 4.2.2015 and Defence (Finance) vide their Dy. No. 59 dated 24.2.2015.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Arvind Kumar) 26/2/2015

**Encl: As above.**

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Ministry of External Affairs, New Delhi.  
The CSDA Western Command, Chandimandir, Northern Command, Jammu.

**SOP: Medical treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel and their families in hospitals of Armed Forces in India.**

**General**

The aim of the SOP is to formulate procedures and earmark responsibilities of various concerned agencies as regards treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel and their families in hospitals of Armed Forces.

**Request for Medical Treatment**

2. Request for medical treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel and their families are received from Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) (PAI Div). In the Integrated HQ of MoD these requests are being processed by AG's Branch/equivalent in Navy & Air Force, concerned DGMS and Intelligence Dte of respective service.

3. The request for medical treatment will be dealt with as follows:-

(a) The medical and security clearance related documents of patients would be forwarded by Ministry of External Affairs (PAI Div), simultaneously to MoD/D(Med), DGAFMS and DGMI(DCC) and DGMI (MI-10)/ equivalent in Navy & Air Force.

(b) Cases of medical treatment of ANA personnel and their families in the Armed Forces Hospitals in India will be accepted with the recommendation of Ministry of External Affairs (PAI Div) subject to the ceiling on number of patients and expenditure per annum and other conditions as per the order of MEA on the subject.

(c) The progress of all cases in IHQ of MoD will be monitored by DGMI/MI/FD(DCC)/equivalent in Navy & Air Force.

(d) Concerned intelligence Dte will only convey any objections from security/administrative point of view, within 07 days of receipt of the letter from MEA to DGAFMS, respective DGsMS. In absence of this, the patients will be treated as cleared as in the case of ANA personnel undergoing training courses in India.

(e) DGsMS concerned will communicate the details of the patients to the nominated Military Hospital in India under intimation to MEA and DGMI(FD/DCC)/equivalent in Navy & Air Force by fax on receipt of which the patient would be dispatched by Embassy of India, Kabul.

(f) The patients must be received at the airport by officials of the Afghanistan Embassy and an interpreter, who has security clearance, be sent to the hospital to accompany the ambulance, if required, to the airport and be given strict instructions to be available in the hospital during the working hours so that the patient can be managed expeditiously.

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(g) The Afghanistan Embassy in consultation with the DGMI(FD)/equivalent in Navy & Air Force will be responsible for the administrative arrangements of the attendants accompanying the Afghan National Army (ANA) patients.

**Payment**

4. The Government of India will bear all costs of consultation, treatment, investigations, diet charges and ambulance (if used) and such ancillary charges that are related to medical treatment of the foreign national. Ministry of External Affairs will place an amount of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh) at the disposal of DGAFMS in two installments of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rs. Twenty five lakh only) each during the financial year in the month of April and December respectively. Hospitals will intimate the total expenditure on each patient to the office of DGAFMS who will reimburse the amount directly to the Patient Welfare Fund of the concerned Hospital. Any amount remaining unspent at the end of the financial year will be returned by DGAFMS to MEA.

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**Sop for operating fund for treatment of Afghan National Army Personnel and their families In hospitals of Armed Forces in India.**

**AIM:** To provide medical treatment to 'Afghan National Army personnel and their families' in hospitals of Armed Forces in India and regulate the expenditure to be incurred by them by operating the fund earmarked for this purpose for re-imburement as governed under Government of India, Ministry of Defence letter No. 23102/AFGHAN/DGAFMS/DG-3A/774/14/D(Medical) dated 02.06.2014.

**SOURCE OF INCOME:** Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) will place an amount of Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh only) in two installments of Rs. 25,00,000/- (Rs. Twenty five lakh only) each during the financial year.

**OPERATION OF BANK ACCOUNT:** A current account of the fund will be opened by office of the DGAFMS/DG-3A in the State Bank of India (SBI), Central Secretariat in the name of "Fund of O/o DGAFMS/DG-3A for Afghan National Army personnel and their families" which will be jointly operated by Director Armed Forces Medical Services (Health) and joint Director, Armed Forces Medical Services (Health).

**MODE OF OPERATION OF ACCOUNT:**

(a) The treating hospital, concerned will intimate the total expenditure to be incurred for treatment of each patient on actual basis and raise the bill to O/o DGAFMS/DG-3A through proper channel, for approval of DGAFMS.

(b) After scrutiny of bill raised, the amount will be reimbursed directly to the 'Patient Welfare Fund' of the concerned hospital by cheque.

(c) In the event of transfer a patient from one hospital of Armed Forces to another, the expenditure incurred will be borne by Government of India. Such transfer will be arranged by the transferring hospitals using funds from "Patient Welfare Fund". The cost of such transfer will subsequently be intimated to O/o DGAFMS who will reimburse the requisite amount directly to the "Patient Welfare Fund" of the concerned hospitals.

(d) Number of patients will be limited to 60 per year and expenditure may be limited to Rs. 50,00,000/- (Rupees fifty lakh only).

(e) Unspent amount, if any, for the financial year will be returned by DGAFMS to Ministry of External Affairs.

(f) The said accounting transactions will be maintained in a ledger.

(g) Any further direction on the subject will be incorporated as and when necessitated.

**AUDIT:** Audit of the fund will be carried out on yearly basis by the Board of Officers (BOO) constituted by DGAFMS/DG-1C.

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