

Government of Jharkhand
Department of Health, Medical Education & Family Welfare

Notification

Ref. No. IDSP/MUCORMYCOSIS/20/2021-Part-1- 24(21) Date: 25-06-2021

The Jharkhand Epidemic Diseases(Mucormycosis)Regulations, 2021

Whereas the Governor of Jharkhand is satisfied that during the ongoing pandemic of COVID-19, the State of Jharkhand is threatened with the outbreak of a dangerous epidemic disease, namely "Mucormycosis" among patients, during and after acute COVID-19 illness. Therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred under the section 2, 3, 4 of the Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897 and after taking consideration the provisions of Jharkhand Epidemic Diseases (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, the Governor of Jharkhand is pleased to make the following regulations:

I. Short title, extent and commencement:

1. These Regulations may be called "**The Jharkhand Epidemic Disease (Mucormycosis) Regulations, 2021**".
2. In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires "Epidemic Disease" means Mucormycosis.
3. These regulations shall come into force with immediate effect and shall extend to whole of the State of Jharkhand.

II. Duties and Responsibilities of Healthcare Facilities:

1. All the healthcare facilities (Government and Private) will mandatorily report each and every suspected or confirmed case of Mucormycosis to the Department of Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare through concerned Civil Surgeon in the prevailing prescribed format.
2. All the healthcare facilities (Government and Private) will follow the guidelines for screening, diagnosis, management of Mucormycosis, issued by MOHFW(GOI)/ICMR/State Government and as amended from time to time.

III. Restrictions:

1. No person/institution or organization will spread any information or material for management of Mucormycosis without prior permission from the Department of Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare, Jharkhand.
2. No person/institution or organization will use any print/electronic or any other form of media for spreading any information or material for the management of Mucormycosis without prior permission from the Department of Health, Medical Education and Family Welfare, Jharkhand.

IV. Offences:

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1. Any person/institution or organization disobeying these Regulations or order issued under these Regulations shall be deemed to have committed an offence punishable under section 188 of Indian Penal Code, 1860 (45 of 1860).
2. A committee under the Chairmanship of Civil Surgeon will be constituted in each district, comprising of specialists from Internal Medicine, Ophthalmology, ENT and Epidemiology members to review any disobeying by any person/Institution or organisation of the notification or any other order issued under these regulations. If disobeying is proved, a notice would be issued by the Civil Surgeon of Concerned district against such person/institution or Organization, indicating the offence/irregularity conducted as per this notification.

3. The reply of person/institution or organization received against the notice will be reviewed by the aforementioned District Committee. If the reply is not received within stipulated time of receipt of the notice or if the reply is found unsatisfactory by the committee and it is confirmed that the person/institution or organization has disobeyed any provision of the regulations, the concerned civil surgeon will take necessary action against the delinquent person/institution or organization as per section 3 of The Epidemic Diseases Act, 1897.

V. Protection:

1. No suit or legal proceedings shall lie against any person for anything done or intended to be done in good faith under these regulations.

By order of Governor
Additional Chief Secretary
Health, Medical Education & Family Welfare
Jharkhand

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CC:

1. Chief Secretary, Government of Jharkhand for kind information.
2. Principal Secretary, Hon'ble Governor/ Principal Secretary, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Government of Jharkhand for Information.
3. PS to Hon'ble Health Minister, Government of Jharkhand for Information.
4. All Additional Chief Secretary/Principal Secretary/ Secretary, Government of Jharkhand for Information.
5. All Divisional Commissioners/All Deputy Commissioners/MD, NHM/Director in Chief, Health Services/All Civil Surgeons/Director, RIIMS/Principal & Superintendent of all Medical Colleges of Jharkhand.
6. Nodal Officer, E-Gazette, Department of Health, Medical Education & Family Welfare, Jharkhand for information and necessary actions

Additional Chief Secretary