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NOTIFICATION

No.Z.11011/14/97-HFW, the 26th July, 1999. The Governor of Mizoram is pleased to constitute a Committee to examine the applications for grant/renewal of Blood Bank Licences under the Chairmanship of State Drugs Controller, Health & Family Welfare Department with immediate effect. The Committee so constituted will have the following members :-

1. State Drugs Controller — Chairman
2. Medical Superintendent, Civil Hospital, Aizawl. — Member-Secy.
3. Blood Bank Officer, Civil Hospital, Aizawl. — Member
4. Zonal Officer of CDSCO (East Zone) Calcutta — Member

The detailed guidelines regarding duties and responsibilities of the Committee will be as under :-

(1) The said Committee should examine all the applications for grant/renewal of Blood Banks before inspection. In the case of grant of licence for Commercial Private Blood Bank (not hospital based Blood Bank) the Committee may scrutinise all the documents thoroughly with regard to purpose of setting up of such Blood Bank in that region. While considering the application of Private Commercial Blood Bank, the members of the Committee may examine the total number of licences already issued in that area, requirement of Blood in that area and number of units of Blood already collected by the licensed Blood Banks in that area. Further the Commercial Blood Banks shall produce the name and

address of voluntary blood donors and the same may be scrutinised by the Committee. As per the National Blood Policy, the setting up of private Commercial Blood Banks shall be discouraged. If the Committee still considers any application of private Commercial Blood Bank, the inspection shall be carried out by the State as well as by the Central Drug Control Officers along with Blood Bank Expert either from State Blood Transfusion Council or from the list of experts circulated by this office.

(2) The Committee shall also scrutinise all the documents for grant of licence of applicants other than Private Commercial Blood Bank. If any Blood Bank applies for the preparation of blood components, the method of manufacture of blood components and its quality control shall be verified by the Committee before inspection. In the case of renewal of Blood Banks, the Committee may scrutinise the date of collection of Blood by the Blood Bank for the last 2 years.. The Blood Bank shall have adequate space and facilities according to the volume of collection of blood units. Further the Committee shall also examine the defects and deficiencies observed during the last inspection and the rectification carried out by the licensee.

(3) If the Committee clears the applications of grant/renewal of any Blood Bank, the inspection have to be carried out jointly with Officers of CDSCO along with Blood Bank Expert. If Inspection Term is satisfied with the facilities and various conditions as required under the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Rules, the Licensing Authority may take necessary action under the provisions of Drugs and Cosmetics Rules. The State Licensing Authority shall intimate the number of licences issued/rejected the State Councils on quarterly basis.

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