

भारत सरकार GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
रेल मंत्रालय MINISTRY OF RAILWAY
(रेलवे बोर्ड RAILWAY BOARD)

S.No. 09/2009 of Health

No. 2007/H/6-4/Policy-1

New Delhi, dated 8.12.2009

The General Manager,
All Indian Railways (Including Ptls).

- Sub.:** Delegation of powers to Additional General Managers for (a) Reimbursement of medical expenses and (b) Advance payment and referral for procurement of pace maker.
- Ref.:** Board's letter No.2007/H/6-4/Policy dated 26.11.07 and 2005/H/6-4/Policy dated 17.8.09.

The matter regarding further delegation of powers to Additional General Managers to settle claims of Railway employees for reimbursement of medical expenses has been examined in detail in Board's office and it has been decided to delegate powers of General Managers to Additional General Managers also up to an amount of Rs. 2 lakh with the same terms and conditions.

2. These powers, however, may not be re-delegated further.
3. These instructions shall be effective from the date of issue of this letter.
4. This has the sanction of the President and issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of Ministry of Railways.
5. Accordingly, amended ACS to Para 648 and 651 of IRMM, 2000 is enclosed.
6. This disposes of N.Rly's D.O. No. 154-Med/O/Pt.IV/Loose dated 27.2.09.

Encl.: As above.

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Copy to All Chief Medical Directors, All Indian Railways.

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New Delhi, dated 8.12.2009

Copy to:

1. The FA&CAOs, All Indian Railways including CLW/DLW/ICF/RCF/RWF
2. Deputy Comptroller and Auditor General of India(Rlys.), Room No.224, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.

For Financial Commissioner/Railways,

Advance Correction slip for amendment of Para 648 and 651 of IRMM - 2000
Para 648(1) & (2) may be read as under:

648. Treatment in an emergency:

(1) Where in an emergency, a Railway employee or his dependant has to go for treatment (including confinement) to a Government hospital or a recognized hospital) or a dispensary run by a philanthropic organization, without prior consultation with the Authorised Medical Officer, reimbursement of the expenses incurred, to the extent otherwise admissible, will be permitted. In such a case, before reimbursement is admitted, it will be necessary to obtain, in addition to other documents prescribed, a certificate in the prescribed form as given in part C of certificate B of Annexure III to this Chapter from the Medical Superintendent of the hospital to the effect that the facilities provided were the minimum which were essential for the patient's treatment. In such cases, the General Managers/Additional General Managers are delegated with powers to allow:

- (a) Full reimbursement of medical expenses including pace maker in case of Govt. hospital and
- (b) Upto a limit of Rs. 2,00,000/- (Rupees Two lakh) in each case including pace maker where treatment is taken in Recognized/non-recognized hospitals and dispensaries run by philanthropic organizations with proper referral by Authorized Medical Officer(AMO) in emergent circumstances. All cases above Rupees two lakh should be referred to the Railway Board along with the proforma given in Annexure VI to this chapter, duly filling all the columns. The above delegation to Zonal Railways and Production Units is subject to the norms prescribed in Railway Board's letter No. 2005/H/6-4/ Policy-II dated 31.1.2007 being followed.

(2) In case, where the treatment had to be taken in private/non-recognised hospitals in emergent circumstances, without being referred by the Authorised Medical Officer, the General Manages/Additional General Managers are empowered to settle reimbursement claims upto Rs. 2 lakh per case, including Pacemaker. It should be ensured that treatment taken in private hospitals by Railway men is reimbursed only in emergent cases and for the shortest and unavoidable spell of time. All claims above Rs. 2 lakh should be referred to the Railway Board along with the duly filled in proforma given in Annexure VI to this chapter.

Note (i) These powers, as mentioned in sub paras 1) & 2) above, will not be delegated further to any lower authorities and will be exercised by the GM/AGM personally, duly scrutinized by CMD/CMS (in case of Production Units) and concurred by FA&CAO.

(ii) If the treatment is neither available at Railway Hospital nor at recognized hospitals, GM/AGM of Zonal Railways may refer the emergent cases to Private Non-recognized hospitals, involving the cost upto Rs. 2,00,000/-(Rupees Two lakh only) in each case including Pacemaker and also to release advance payment thereof if any, directly to such hospitals provided the patient had specifically been referred to that private non-recognized hospital by AMO. The above delegation to Zonal Railway and Production Units is subject to the norms prescribed in Railway Board's letters No. 2005/H/6-4/Policy0II dated 31.1.07 and 16.4.2007.

Para 651 may be read as under:

1. The State Government, where agreeable, should debit the Railway administration concerned by preferring bills for those items for which reimbursement is permissible. To facilitate payment to such of the Government hospitals which press for advance deposit of money for the treatment of cases referred to them, the CMS in charge of the Division concerned may be allowed an imprest. The holder of the imprest should submit a report for the amount spent. Further, the General Managers/Additional General Managers may sanction advance payment up to the reimbursable portion of the anticipated cost of the treatment including pace maker or up to Rs. 5 lakh, whichever, is less on recommendations of the CMD and with the concurrence of the FA&CAO, towards the treatment of Railway beneficiary in Government hospitals where they are officially referred by the Authorized Medical Officer. However, efforts should be made for payments through bill system or in installments agreeable to the concerned hospital authorities through negotiation. In order to meet some urgent requirements to save the life of the patients, DRMs of the Divisions can also sanction such advance payment within their delegated powers with the concurrence of the Divisional Finance and on recommendations of the CMS of the Divisional Hospitals.
2. In case of referral by Authorized Medical Officer to non-recognized private hospitals ceiling for sanction of advance payment by General Managers/Additional General Managers shall be Rs. Two Lakh only per case, including pacemaker. All other terms and conditions for sanction shall remain the same.
3. In case of referral, in emergent case, by Authorized Medical Officer to non-recognized private hospitals ceiling for sanction of advance payment by General Managers shall be Rs. Four Lakh only per case, including pacemaker. All other terms and conditions for sanction shall remain the same.

(Authority: Board's letter No. 2007/H/6-4/Policy-1 dated 8.11.2009)