

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

No. 2014/H/6-3/IVF(Policy).

New Delhi, Dated:- 01.07.2014.

**General Managers,
All Indian Railways.**

**GM/DG/CAO,
All Production Units including RDSO.**

Sub:- Guidelines/Criteria for reimbursement of expenses for In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) treatment to Railway beneficiaries.

Ref:- Ministry of Health and Family Welfare's OM No. Z.15025/5/2011- CGHS III/CGHS(P) dated 22.11.2011.

The issue of laying down an uniform guideline/criteria for reimbursement of expenses incurred on In-Vitro Fertilisation (IVF) treatment of the Railway beneficiaries has been engaging attention of Ministry of Railways for sometime. Matter has been examined in consultation with Finance Directorate in the Board's Office.

After careful consideration in the matter, Ministry of Railways (Railway Board) has decided to adopt the guidelines laid down by Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for CGHS beneficiary vide their OM No. Z.15025/5/2011-CGHS III/CGHS(P) dated 22.11.2011 (copy enclosed) with the following modifications:-

"Request for IVF treatment for Railway beneficiaries would be considered only on the basis of advice tendered by adequately qualified Government/Railway Gynaecologist and not from a CMP/Consultant. Permission for IVF procedure to be accorded by Chief Medical Director of the Zone in consultation with Associate Finance on receipt of advice for the same from Gynaecologist of Government/Railway Hospital. Sanctioning Authority for sanction of reimbursement would be G.M. Remaining terms and conditions as laid down in CHGS guidelines would remain the same".

This issue with the concurrence of Finance Directorate.


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4. The Director General, Railway Staff College, Vadodara.
5. The managing Director, RITES, New Delhi House, 27, Barakhamba Road, New Delhi and (b) IRCON Palika Bhawan, Sector XIII, R.K. Puram, New Delhi. (c) CRIS, Safdarjung Railway Station, Chankyapuri, New Delhi. (d) IRFC (e), CONCOR of India, Ltd., Konkan Railway Corpn. Ltd. Belapur Bhawan Sector-11, CBD Belapur, Navi Mumbai, NVNL, Plot No. 25, 1st Floor, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, New Delhi-110066.
6. The General Secretary, IRCA/New Delhi.
7. The Secretary, Railway Board, Promotee Officers Association, Room No.341-C, Rail Bhawan, New Delhi.
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14. Office of the Chief Project Administrator (Telecom), Indian Railways Central Organisation for Telecom Consultancy, Shivaji Bridge, New Delhi.
15. Chief Mining Advisor, Ministry of Railway, Dhanbad.
16. The Director (Movement) Railways/Kolkata.



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11. Chief Commissioner of Railway Safety, Lucknow.
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14. General Secretary, Retired Railway Employees Welfare Association (Regd.), 490A/16, Gurudwara Road, Gurgaon.



For Secretary, Railway Board.



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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Department of Health & Family Welfare
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No: Z.15025/5/2011-CGHS III/CGHS (P)

Dated, the 22nd November, 2011

O F F I C E M E M O R A N D U M

Subject: Guidelines / Criteria for reimbursement of expenses for In-Vitro Fertilisation(IVF) treatment to CGHS beneficiaries and beneficiaries under Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1944.

The undersigned is directed to say that the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare has been receiving requests for providing clarifications as to whether the expenditure incurred on In-Vitro Fertilisation ((IVF) treatment is admissible under CGHS, and if so, whether any guidelines have been laid down for reimbursement of the expenses incurred on IVF treatment.

(2) The matter has been examined by a Technical Committee of the Heads of Department of Gynaecology & Obstetrics of Government Medical institutions, and based on the recommendations of the Committee, the following guidelines are laid down for considering cases for reimbursement of expenses incurred on IVF treatment by CGHS beneficiaries and beneficiaries under Central Services (Medical Attendance) Rules, 1944:-

- (i) Requests for IVF treatment will be considered only on the basis of advice tendered by the Head of Department of Gynaecology & Obstetrics of a Government Medical institution;
- (ii) Permission for IVF treatment to be undertaken may be given by the Head of Department in the Ministries / Departments on the recommendations of the Head of Department of Gynaecology & Obstetrics of a Government Medical institution;
- (iii) IVF procedure will be allowed in a Government Medical institution on the recommendations of the Head of Department of Gynaecology & Obstetrics of a Government Medical institution;
- (iv) IVF procedure may be allowed, on a case to case basis, in a private medical institution if the Institution is registered with the State / Central Government and has the necessary facilities including equipment and trained manpower for carrying out the procedure. It is, however, mandatory to obtain the recommendations of the Head of Department of Gynaecology & Obstetrics of a Government Medical institution for permitting the procedure to be undertaken in a private institution;
- (v) There should be clear evidence of failure of conventional treatment before permitting IVF treatment procedure;

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- (vi) The age of women undergoing IVF treatment procedure should be between 21 and 39 years;
- (vii) The woman has to be married and living with her husband;
- (viii) The IVF treatment procedure will be allowed only in cases of infertility where the couple has no living issue;
- (ix) Reimbursement of expenditure incurred on IVF procedure will be allowed upto a maximum of 3 (three) fresh cycles;
- (x) An amount not exceeding Rs.65,000/- (Rupees sixty five thousand only) per cycle or the actual cost, whichever is lower, will be allowed for reimbursement. This amount will be inclusive of the cost of drugs and disposables and monitoring cost during IVF procedures;
- (xi) As IVF treatment is a planned procedure, reimbursement cases can be considered by the Ministries / Departments only if prior approval was obtained by the beneficiary for undergoing the IVF treatment.
- (xii) There will be a onetime permission for availing IVF treatment consisting of three cycles in total, which would be admissible to the beneficiary. The concerned Ministry / Department shall obtain an undertaking from the applicant that he / she has not claimed the reimbursement earlier from the Government of India in the past and will not claim it in the future.

3.. These guidelines come into force from the date of issue of the Office Memorandum and reimbursement cases of IVF treatment undertaken after the issue of the Office Memorandum only can be considered by the Ministries / Departments.

4. This issues with the concurrence of Integrated Finance Division in the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, vide Dy. No.C.1747/IFD (Health)/2011 dated the 21st November, October, 2011.



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