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Government of India
Department of Health and Family Welfare
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

D.O. No. Z.21020/16/2020-PH
Dated: 30th March, 2020

Dear Colleague,

Subject: **‘Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package: Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19’ – reg.**

To give further momentum to India's efforts to fight COVID-19 and to assure our doctors and healthcare workers that their well-being is foremost for the Government, Central Government announced the **“Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package: Insurance Scheme for Health Workers Fighting COVID-19”** to provide an insurance cover of Rs.50 lakh for ninety (90) days to a total of around 22.12 lakh public healthcare providers, including community health workers, who may have to be in direct contact and care of COVID-19 patients and who may be at risk of being impacted by this. Also, on account of the unprecedented situation, private hospital staff/ retired/ volunteer/ local urban bodies/ contract/ daily wage/ ad-hoc/ outsourced staff requisitioned by States/ Central hospitals/autonomous hospitals of Central/States/UTs, AIIMS & INIs/ hospitals of Central Ministries can also be drafted for COVID-19 related responsibilities. These cases will also be covered under the said insurance scheme. I am enclosing a copy of this Ministry's Order dated 28.03.2020.

2. In this context, I am happy to inform you that the Scheme has come into effect from today i.e., March 30, 2020 and insurance cover, provided by New India Assurance Company Limited, will be available for 90 days.

3. I request you to kindly give this wide publicity to instill a sense of security, appreciation and inclusion among all our healthcare providers and workers engaged in a tough battle against COVID-19.

Encl: as above

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Yours sincerely,

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All Chief Secretaries / Administrators of UTs.