GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALYA HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR NOTIFICATION

Dated Shillong the 27th September, 2023.

No. Health 225/2001/90: The Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to constitute a Medical Board for Comprehensive Abortion Care for East Khasi Hills District, Shillong, comprising of members as below for the purpose of providing access to safe and legal abortion services on therapeutic, eugenic, humanitarian and social grounds to ensure universal access to comprehensive care.

1.	Medical Superintendent, Ganesh Das Government M&CH Hospital, Shillong	Team Leader
2.	Sr. Obstretics and Gynaecology Doctor from Ganesh Das Govt. M&CH Hospital, Shillong (1)	Member
3.	Sr. Obstretics and Gynaecology Doctor from Ganesh Das Govt. M&CH Hospital, Shillong (2)	Member
4.	Pediatrician from Ganesh Das Govt. M&CH Hospital, Shillong	Member
5.	Radiologist from Civil Hospital, Shillong	Member
6.	Cardiologist from NEIGRIHMS, Shillong	Member
7.	Neurologist from NEIGRIHMS	Member
8.	Psychiatrist/counselor from Civil Hospital, Shillong	Member
9.	Hospital Administration Officer in-charge from NEIGRIHMS	Member
10.	Paediatrician Surgeon from Ganesh Das Govt. M&CH Hospital, Shillong	Member
11.	Medicine Specialist from Ganesh Das Govt. M&CH Hospital, Shillong	Member

- A. Powers of the Medical Board: The Medical Boards have the power to:
- (i) Allow or deny termination of pregnancy beyond twenty-four weeks of gestation period after due consideration and ensuring that the procedure would be safe for the woman at that gestation age and whether the foetal malformation has substantial risk of it being incompatible with life or if the child is born it may suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities to be seriously handicapped.
- (ii) Co-opt other specialists in the Board and ask for any additional investigations if required, for deciding on the termination of pregnancy.
- B. Functions of the Medical Board: Following are the functions of the Medical Boards:
 - (a) To examine the woman and her reports, who may approach for medical termination of pregnancy.
 - (b) Provide the opinion of Medical Board in Form D with regard to the termination of pregnancy or rejection of request for termination within three days of receiving the request for medical termination of pregnancy.

(c) To ensure that the termination procedure, when advised by the Medical Board, is carried out with all safety precautions along with appropriate counselling within five days of the receipt of the request for medical termination of pregnancy

Sd/(Dr. Joram Beda, IAS)

Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,
Health & Family Welfare Department

Memo No. Health 225/2001/90-A

Dated Shillong the 27th September, 2023.

Copy to:

- 1. The Private Secretary to the Minister i/c Health & Family Welfare Department for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister.
- 2. The Private Secretary to Chief Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya for kind information of Chief Secretary.
- 3. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health & Family Welfare Department.
- 4. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health & Family Welfare Department.
- 5. The Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health & Family Welfare Department.
- 6. The Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Law Department.
- 7. The Director General of Police, Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 8. All Deputy Commissioners
- 9. The Director, NEIGRIHMS, Shillong
- 10. The Director of Health Services (MI)/(Research). Meghalaya, Shillong.
- 11. The Director of Health Services (MCH&FW), Meghalaya, Shillong with reference to letter No. DHS/MCH&FW/CAC/17/2019-20/2873 dated 8-9-2023
- 12. The Director of Printing and Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong for publication in the Official Gazette and to provide 30 (thirty) copies of the Gazette Notification to the Department.
- 13. The State Informatics Officer, NIC, Meghalaya, Shillong for uploading in the Department's website.

14. All members concerned.

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By order, etc.,

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Joint Secretary to the Government of Meghalaya, Health & Family Welfare Department.
