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Karnataka Government Secretariat,
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NOTIFICATION

Whereas the draft of the Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation During Emergency Situations) Rules, 2025, which the Government of Karnataka proposes to make in exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation During Emergency Situations) Act, 2018 (Karnataka Act 26 of 2018) and supersession of notification No HFW 31 CGE 2025 Dated: 04.08.2025 are hereby published as required by sub- section (1) of section 23 of the said Act, for the information of all persons likely to be affected thereby and notice is given that the said draft will be taken into consideration after fifteen days from the date of its publication in the Official Gazette.

Any objection or Suggestion which may be received by the state Government from any person with respect to said draft before the expiry of the period specified above will be considered by the state Government. objections and suggestions may be addressed to the Principal Secretary to Government Department of Health and Family Welfare, Vikas Soudha, Bangalore-560001.

RULES

1. Title and commencement. – (1) These rules may be called the Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation During Emergency Situations) Rules, 2026.

(2) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Definitions. - (1) Unless the context otherwise requires, -

(a) ‘Act’ means the Karnataka Good Samaritan and Medical Professional (Protection and Regulation During Emergency Situations) Act, 2016 (Karnataka Act 26 of 2018);

(b) ‘section’ means section of the Act.

(2) All other words and expressions used in these rules and but not defined, shall have the same meaning as respectively assigned to them in the Act.

3. Disciplinary action. - The complaint under the proviso to section 3(2) to the appropriate authority would lie with the respective Deputy Commissioner of the Revenue District. Further, the Disciplinary action under section 10 for non-compliance of the provisions of the Act shall be taken under the provisions of the Karnataka State Police (Disciplinary Proceedings) Rules, 1965.

4. Sources of sums. - (1) Sums from following sources may be received to the good Samaritan Fund, namely: -

(a) Voluntary donations and contributions from the general public as well as CSR funds from the corporates;

(b) Aided donations and contributions from the registered Associations and Institutions;

(c) Grant in aid from the Karnataka road safety Authority as well as other Government schemes or authorities; and

(d) Eligible loans (with prior approval of the Government) from the appropriate authority.

(2) The Hospital which fails to recover the expenses incurred under sub-section (4) of section 11 of the Act may submit a claim to SAST (Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust) within one month from the date of treatment, which shall sanction the approved expenses under its

budget made available by the State Government for Ayushman Bharath Arogya Karnataka (ABArK) Scheme.

(3) After examining the claim submitted under sub rule (2), in respect of Hospitals empanelled under the Ayushman Bharath Arogya Karnataka Scheme, the charges in respect of priority and non-priority house hold shall be reimbursed by SAST (Suvarna Arogya Suraksha Trust) in full at the scheme rates. Further, in respect of non-empanelled hospitals, SAST may sanction the expenditure at the rates admissible under the ABArK Scheme or the latest HBP (Health Benefit Package) rates under PMJAY (Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana), whichever is higher. Provided that the Expert Committee constituted under KPME (Karnataka Private Medical Establishment) Act may decide on the rates for those procedures which are not included in the latest HBP rates.

Explanation; - For the purpose of this rule, the cases covered as per clause (f) and (l) of section 2 of the Act shall be those which are included under a separate 4B category of cases defined under ABArK scheme.

(4) In case the expenditure incurred by the Hospital is more than the amount so reimbursed by the Appropriate Authority, the hospital may make an appeal to the Commissioner, Health and Family welfare, within thirty days. After examining the appeal, the Commissioner, Health and Family welfare, may sanction such expenditure from the Good Samaritan Fund or reject it.

(5) The orders issued under sub-rule (4), shall be final.

5.Travel expenses and remuneration.- In case a Good Samaritan has to travel from a distant place or village and such expenses and remuneration for the day is more than one hundred rupees the court may after the examining the documents may order for payment of such excess amount under section 14 of the Act and such expenses may be paid out of Good Samaritan fund by remitting it to the court.

6. Appropriate and complaining Authority: - The Deputy Commissioner of the concerned revenue district shall be the appropriate authority under section 12 of the Act. Further, he shall also be the prescribed Authority **to lodge complaint** for the purpose of section 21 (2) of the Act.

7. Appellate Authority. - For the purpose of section 22 of Act, the Additional Chief Secretary or the Principal Secretary or Secretary to Government, Health and Family welfare Department shall be the Appellate Authority.

8. Annual report. - The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department under section 25 of the Act shall submit to the State Government an Annual Report for each financial year as soon as may be after the first day of April but not later than May in every year.

9. The Books of accounts and Annual Statement of Accounts. - (1) The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department under section 26 of the Act shall keep and maintain the following books of accounts, namely: -

- (a) Receipt book of all grant in aids, loans and Revenues of the Appropriate Authority;
- (b) Payment book of all expenses from the Good Samaritan fund;
- (c) Receipt book of all public Donations and contributions;
- (d) Grant in aid book from the Road Safety Authority;
- (e) Contingency expenditure book of the Appropriate Authority;
- (g) Receipt and payment Account of the Fund (pertaining to each financial year); and
- (h) Travel Expenses and Reimbursement of loss of remuneration book of the Good Samaritan attending for the evidence;

(2) The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department shall prepare Annual Statement of Accounts.

(3) The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department while preparing annual statement of accounts, withdrawing funds, making expenditure, maintaining books of accounts, billing and other matters shall follow the Manual of contingent expenditure, Budget manual, Departmental manual and standing orders instructions thereof.

10. Good Samaritan awards. – (1) The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department shall recommend the eligible persons for the Good Samaritan award.

(2) The Government shall on 26th day of January every year shall render Good Samaritan award considering the recommendations of the Appropriate Authority.

(3) The Commissioner, Health and Family Welfare Department shall follow the orders and instructions issued by the Government regarding Form of applications, the method of selection, the manner of award, the amount of award and mementos.

By Order and in the name of the
Governor of Karnataka

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