



J&K State AIDS Control Society
Department of Health & Medical Education,
Government of Jammu & Kashmir

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Sub: Minutes of the Executive committee of J&K State AIDS Control Society (JKSACS) Jammu dated 16th February 2016.

The meeting of the Executive committee of J&K State AIDS Control Society (JKSACS) was held under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Health & Medical Education Department (Chairman, Executive Committee, JKSACS) in the meeting Hall of ISM Department, Jammu on 16th February 2016 in which the following members participated.

1. Dr. Abdul Kabeer Dar, Director General, ISM.
2. Dr. Zahid Geelani, Principal, GMC, Jammu.
3. Dr. B. S. Pathania, Director, Health services, Jammu..
4. Director, Finance, H&ME Deptt.
5. Dr. Mohan Singh, Mission Director, NHM, J&K.
6. Additional Secretary, H &ME Deptt.
7. Dr. Anil Mahajan, HOD, Medicine, GMC, Jammu.
8. Dr. G. M Chuloo, STO Kashmir, Representative of DHS, Kashmir

At the outset, Project Director, JKSACS welcomed the Executive Committee members and introduced the participants to Chairman Executive Committee. The following agenda points were discussed.

Agenda No. 1.

Implementation of Decisions taken in the Executive Committee meeting held on 15th September 2015.

The action taken on the agenda points of last Executive Committee Meeting was presented before the Executive Committee.

On Agenda point no. 12 of the previous Executive Committee Meeting regarding the **Authorization of Chief Accounts Officer, JKSACS for disbursing money**. In the previous meeting it was stated that the CAO, JKSACS may be authorized for disbursing money upto Rs. 25000/- on the analogy of NHM but during the meeting it came to fore that it is not being done in NHM but in J & K Medical Supplies Corporation Limited, where CAO has been authorized to disburse funds upto the tune of 10 lacs **Annexure -1**.

The Director Finance informed that CAO, JKSACS is a full time officer of Finance Deptt. of J & K Government on deputation to JKSACS and as such there is no problem in authorizing him for signing the cheques upto Rs 25000 with the approval of the Project Director and that it is as per prescribed rules and regulations.

On Agenda no. 4 of the previous Executive Committee Meeting regarding the **Seizure of Kits, Consumables, Equipments & Drugs by Sales Tax Department**, wherein, it was proposed that Project Director, JKSACS may be authorized to get kits (received from NACO, GOI) released at Lakhampur Toll Post by making amendment in the SRO 179 to Administrative Department vide JKSACS No. 5216 dated 12-11-2015 but till date no amendment has been done.

Director Finance, H&ME conveyed that that the said proposal has already been forwarded to the Finance Department and the matter is under consideration.

Agenda Point No. 2

Constitution of a Committee on State Council on AIDS:

Project Director informed that State Council on AIDS had been constituted vide order No. 454 HME of 2006 dated 2-8-2006 under the Chairmanship of the then Hon'ble Chief Minister with the then Hon'ble Minister for Health & Family Welfare as Vice Chairman along-with other members.

The Chairman Executive Committee, JKSACS asked the Project Director to put up case/proposal for convening the meeting of the council under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Governor in the present scenario.

Agenda No. 3:

Re-constitution of a Committee on Legislative Forum on HIV/AIDS (LFA):

The Project Director informed the Committee that Legislative Forum on HIV/AIDS is a forum of Legislators who come together to resolve the issues pertaining to HIV. The purpose of the Legislative Forum on HIV/AIDS is to mobilize political will and financial support to the issue of HIV. As envisaged within the National AIDS Control Programme-III (NACP-III) framework, it has to play a supportive role for State Council on AIDS and State AIDS Control Societies in policy, advocacy, mainstreaming and preparing groundswell for implementation of HIV programmes at the community level.

The Project Director informed that the Legislative Forum on AIDS in J&K has become non-functional, as no meeting of the LFA has ever been held ever since its constitution and also considering the fact that most of the Legislators have since changed.

It was decided that we shall once again send the proposal to Hon'ble Speaker, J&K Assembly for re-constitution of the said forum.

Agenda No. 4:

Arrears to Contractual employees of JKSACS:

The project Director informed the Executive Committee that the release of new salary grade in favour of the contractual employees of JKSACS as per the orders of the NACO, GOI applicable to all SACS/UTs were released prospectively w.e.f 01-12-2011 and not retrospectively from 01-04-2009 due to paucity of funds

The Executive Committee was requested for according approval for submitting the proposal to NACO,GOI for release of funds required in connection with the disbursement of pending arrears in favour of contractual employees of JKSACS w.e.f 01/04/2009 to 30/11/2011, which shall not be a burden on State ex-chequer as the funds shall be provided by NACO.

The Chairman Executive Committee agreed to recommend the case to NACO subject to the condition that the latest update with all the correspondence made till date on this matter with NACO should be submitted to the Administrative Department for examination and consideration (Annexure enclosed).

Agenda No. 5:

Inclusion of Director General, ISM & HOD Medicine, GMC, Jammu as the Members of Executive Committee of JKSACS:

The Project Director, JKSACS requested Executive Committee J&K State AIDS Control Society to include Director General, ISM, J&K & HOD, Medicine, GMC, Jammu as the Members of Executive Committee of JKSACS henceforth.

The proposal was unanimously accepted and approved by the Executive Committee.

Agenda No. 6:

New Proposals for NACO:

The Project Director informed the Executive Committee regarding the new proposals which JKSACS is planning to submit to NACO for strengthening the AIDS Control Programme in the State.

- Establishment of (7) District AIDS Control Units (DACU), three in Kashmir region, three in Jammu region & one for Ladakh. (annexure A)
- Establishment of Technical Support Unit (TSU). (annexure B)
- Establishment of (4) Opioid Substitution Therapy Center (OST) at Kulgam, Shopian, Baramulla & Rajouri. (annexure C)

The committee was of the opinion that in addition to submitting the above mentioned proposals to NACO, JKSACS should concentrate on strengthening the existing system by establishing F-ICTCs at Sub District Level. The list of these institutions has already been sent to Directorates. Both the Directors/Representative ensured that they will provide full support in establishing the same.

Agenda No. 7.

Space for JKSACS Office at Jammu:

Project Director, JKSACS informed the Executive Committee that at present JKSACS Office is operating in a private building at Trikuta Nagar, Jammu on rental basis and without any parking space and requested that JKSACS Office, Jammu should be provided space in old Psychiatric Diseases Hospital, Ambphalla, Jammu.

The Chairman Executive Committee deferred the proposal till visit to the proposed site and the present JKSACS office and taking of considered view in the matter.

The meeting concluded with vote of thanks to the Chair by DG, ISM, J&K. =

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