

No. CEO-CHB/2021/PA/62

Dated: 01.05.2021


**NOTE**

The undersigned has been assigned the overall responsibility of COVID Management in Government Medical College & Hospital, Sector-32 vide Chandigarh Administration order no. PS/AA/533 dated 19.04.2021. The undersigned has been asked to coordinate with Director Principal and Medical Superintendent to ensure that adequate number of beds, medicines, doctors and infrastructure is available for treatment of corona patients.

2. Today (01.05.2021) the undersigned reviewed the status of COVID- ICUs at both the places i.e. GMCH-32 and at Hospital Sector-48. Dr. Sanjeev Palta, Professor and Incharge of COVID-ICUs at both the hospitals informed that:

- i. Last year 55 ventilators (CV 200- BHEL) were received as gift but there was neither any Guarantee nor any Warrantee. Though there are AMCs for other ventilators at the hospital but these CV-200 ventilators are not covered under any of the AMC. Last year M/s BHEL deputed an Engineer but about 02 months ago, the Engineer has also resigned. Presently there is no arrangements for repair and maintenance of these CV-200 ventilators.
- ii. In 10-15 days, 08 CV200 ventilators have stopped working and 04 more having some trouble. If not attended immediately, these may also stop working in next few days.
- iii. He sent repeated e-mails and tried to connect with M/s BHEL. Initially there was no response but after lot of efforts he could connect at one occasion. Though the company agreed to send some Engineer on Saturday (Today) but there after no response.
- iv. Two days back, he has referred the matter to Director Principal and she sent it to Medical Superintendent. Now the matter is being dealt in the Procurement Branch and copies of all the correspondences made through e-mails have been provided to the Procurement Branch yesterday.
- v. The Engineer of the company, who has resigned about 02 months ago, is a local person and on personal request informally attended the ventilators free of charge at few occasions but it was difficult to continue like this anymore. The same Engineer should have been engaged to take care the ventilators of the particular make CV 200 till some regular arrangements like AMC etc. Since the Engineer has maintained these ventilators and is aware about its functionality in GMCH, he may be of great help.

3. The undersigned spoke to Dr. Sukanya Mitra, HOD Anesthetics, who was the nodal officer prior to Dr. Sanjeev Palta. She also confirmed the status as per para-2 (i) and stated that efforts should be made to contact the company at its helpline number.



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4. The undersigned also spoke to Director Principal. She was aware of the issue and was of view that the same Engineer [Para-2(v)] would be of great help but it was not clear as to how and at what rate he could be engaged/hired.

5. Lastly the undersigned spoke to the Medical Superintendent and he informed that the file was returned yesterday itself with the remark that since the company was not responding for e-mails, Dr. Sanjeev Palta to personally take up the matter with the company on phone.

6. Now considering urgency of the matter and since we can't afford to lose any ventilator even for a single day, it is decided that:

- i. The same Engineer [Para-2(v)] to be temporarily engaged for a period of three months **from today itself**. I have already requested Dr. Sanjeev Palta to call the Engineer and a formal letter may also be issued by the concerned authority. The Engineer is to be paid on DC rate equivalent to Junior Engineer, without going into the aspects of his qualification and experience etc.
- ii. Considering Dr. Sanjiv Palta has made many efforts at his level, now the matter may be taken up by the office of Medical Superintendent with company. The MS may please directly monitor it and get needful done on priority.
- iii. Regular arrangements of AMC etc may also to be examined for these CV 200 ventilators.

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(Yashpal Garg, IAS)

Chief Executive Officer, CHB

To,

1. Director Principal, GMCH-32
2. Medical Superintendent, GMCH-32
3. Dr. Sanjeev Palta, Incharge of COVID-ICU at GMCH-32 & Sector-48

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1. Principal Secretary (Health), Chandigarh Administration for information
2. PS to Adviser for kind information of worthy Adviser to Administrator, Chandigarh Administration