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NOTIFICATION

No.D.18011/2/2011-HFW, the 7th August, 2014. In the interest of public service the Governor of Mizoram is pleased to constitute the Legislators' Forum on Maternal & Child Health for Reduction of Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) consisting of the following members with immediate effect and until further orders:

1. Convener - Minister, Health & F.W. Department.
2. Member Secretary - Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare
3. Asstt. Secretary - Principal Director, Health & Family Welfare
4. Members - All M.L.As, Mizoram.

THEME

Innovation on improving Maternal Child Health and reducing IMR/MMR and risk factors influencing such through political initiatives.

Objective

- 1) To constitute a strong forum of elected representatives of the state viz. MLAs to induce a strong sense of ownership among the community on MCH Programmes, planning, mentoring and MCH Program implementation.
- 2) To orient Legislators on MCH as the nucleus of National Health Mission and the heart of human development index (HDI) and to mobilize their critical leadership for policy making and health financing.
- 3) To reduce the burden of IMR/MMR and risk factors through Legislators' support.

Terms of Reference

1. MLAs to motivate citizens under their constituencies to access MCH care with adherence to care guidelines and seek and recommend measures to address barriers in access to health service by the public with priority on pregnant women, eligible couples and children under 5 years.
2. Visit public health facilities and personnel during constituency visits.
3. Meeting at least once annually.

Role of State Health Society (NHM)

1. Orientation of MLAs and providing technical support as and when required.
2. Convening meeting and following up on meeting recommendations and reporting action taken and progress to the MLA(s) concerned.
3. Updating MLAs on progress, bottlenecks and possible role of MLA(s) concerned on some critical issues on a quarterly basis.
4. Providing MLAs with IEC Materials for advocacy, public speech and resource manual etc.

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