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Ref : TB/AIOCD/94/2018

To,

Sh. Anurag Aggarwal, IAS

Secretary Health

U.T. Chandigarh

Ref : Gazette Notification No. F.No. Z-28015/2/2012-T.B. dt 16th March 2018.

Sub : Our Comments on above referred notification.

Sir,

We are in favour and support of the Central Government for the initiative taken to eradicate the dangerous notified disease like Tuberculosis.

We wish to put practical difficulties faced by Pharmacy / Chemists & Druggists during the face to face dealing with tuberculosis patients and their relatives.

- A. The patient or his relative does not want to disclose their name & identity.
- B. They do not ready to provide detailed residential address, their Id & mobile or telephone no.
- C. Chemists can ask them for the information but cannot compel for Id proof & their mobile no., matter of secrecy about illness and information of disease is arises.
- D. Patients from micro interior or rural area are some time not bringing fresh prescription from their doctor and ask for the medicines to be continued for a certain period.
- E. In case of Young generation, T.B. patients, they themselves and their families don't want to disclose their name & in particular in case of female, they don't bring her in front & hence it is very difficult to tackle them.

In above circumstance, it is very difficult for the Chemists & Druggists / Pharmacy to follow the norms notified under above notification.

We feel that DOT Programme should be vigorously promoted and awareness should be created in common man.

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Our members are afraid of imposition of penal action against them for none of their mistake. It may result in poor availability of Tuberculosis medicines and patients may also hesitate to come forward and register his name as a Tuberculosis patient.

We are ready to support fully by all possible and practical manners with the Government in the programme of eradication of Tuberculosis in the country at our end.

Kindly consider our above issues in positive manner and give us a proper relief. It will help in full support without any fear by all the chemists & druggists in the country.

Expecting your favorable & timely response.

Thanking you

Yours faithfully,

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