

**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

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**ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR**

**NOTIFICATION**

**Dated Shillong the 3<sup>rd</sup> March, 2023.**

**No. Health.19/2014/101:** Rabies is endemic throughout the country and is responsible for extensive morbidity and mortality. About 96% of the mortality and morbidity is associated with dog bites. Cats, wolf, jackal, mongoose and monkeys are other important reservoirs of rabies in India.

The **National Action Plan for Dog Mediated Rabies Elimination from India by 2030** provides a strategic framework for stakeholders for the reduction of Rabies in the country so as to achieve the World Health Organization Target of zero deaths due to Rabies by the year 2030. This requires a strong surveillance system so that the exact magnitude of disease can be obtained which will help to develop strategies and provide public health professionals with critical information to make informed decisions about saving human lives

Therefore, all Government and private health care facilities (including medical colleges) and all Medical Officers/Doctors/health workers whether in Government, Private/NGO sector and/or individual practitioner in the State shall have to take adequate steps for timely diagnosis of Human Rabies (Suspect, Probable or Confirmed) cases and shall notify every Human Rabies Case and/or death to the Director of Health Services (Research) through the concerned District Medical and Health Officer in the Reporting Formats devised by the National Rabies Control Programme (NRCP).

Failure to report notifiable disease is a criminal offence and action will be initiated against defaulters.

Sd/- (R.M.Kurbah, IAS.,)  
Secretary to the Govt of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department

**Memo No. Health.19/2014/101-A**

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1. P.S. to Minister i/c Health & Family Welfare Department for kind information of the Minister.
2. P.S. to Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya for kind information of Chief Secretary.
3. P.S. to Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department for kind information.
4. P.A. to the Commissioner & Secretary/Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department for kind information.
5. The Mission Director, National Health Mission, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information.
6. The Deputy Commissioner,  
East Khasi Hills, Shillong/ West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin/ West Garo Hills, Tura/ East Garo Hills, Williamnagar/ South Garo Hills, Baghmara/ West Jaintia Hills, Jowai/ East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat/ North Garo Hills, Resubelpara/ South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat/ South West Garo Hills, Ampati/ Eastern West Khasi Hills, Mairang/ Ri-Bhoi District, Nongpoh for kind information and necessary action.

7. The Director of Health Services (MI)/(MCH&FW), Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information and necessary action.
8. The Director of Health Services (Research), Meghalaya, Shillong w/reference to letter No. DHS (R)/NRCP/ACVT/107/2022/850, dated-27.01.2023 for kind information and necessary action.
9. The Director, NEIGRIHMS, Meghalaya, Shillong for information and necessary action.
10. The Director of Printing & Stationery, Meghalaya, Shillong with a request to publish the above in the next issue of the Meghalaya Gazette and to supply the undersigned with 50 (fifty) copies of the published gazette.
11. The State Informatics Officer, NIC, Meghalaya, with a request to upload the Notification in the Health Department website.

By Orders etc.,

  
Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department.  
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