

## Government of Jammu & Kashmir

## **Divisional Commissioner Kashmir**

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Subject:

Minutes of the meeting regarding operation of illegal clinics and practicing/prescribing of drugs/medicines by quacks/fake doctors.

In view of unabated complaints received by this office regarding operation of illegal clinics and practice/prescribing of drugs/medicines by quacks/fake doctors, instructions were issued to all Deputy Commissioners to verify the documents of the drug stores/medical shops/clinics operating in their respective districts so as to find out the genuineness of these complaints and furnish report thereof. Accordingly, a meeting under the Chairmanship of Shri Baseer Ahmad Khan, IAS, Divisional Commissioner, Kashmir was held on 13.08.2018 at 3.00 P.M. to review the progress of the action taken in different districts by the Health Department, especially in Pattan area of District Baramulla.

Following Officers participated in the meeting:-

- 1. Deputy Commissioner, Baramulla (Through VC)
- 2. Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Pattan
- 3. Deputy Director, Health Services, Kashmir
- 4. Chief Medical Officer, Baramulla
- 5. Block Medical Officer, Pattan

Deputy Commissioner, Baramulla apprised that in pursuance of the directions issued by this office, instructions were issued to CMO, Baramulla to verify the documents of all the medical stores/clinics, especially in Pattan area where recently a case of fake doctor practicing in a clinic was highlighted by the press. It was informed by the Deputy Commissioner that with the assistance of the Magistracy the verification process was initiated and on the basis of verification 44 illegal clinics have been sealed and FIR has been lodged against 03 persons who were found involved in operating illegal clinics and practicing/prescribing drugs/medicines without being qualified to do so. Out of these 44 sealed clinics, 07 clinics were run by teachers of Education Department, 01 each by the employees of PHE/ Sericulture/Agriculture Departments. He further apprised that these quacks were further found involved in prescribing steroids and other drugs which can cause damage to kidneys/liver.

Deputy Director, Health Services, Kashmir also apprised that that 03 illegal clinics have been sealed in District Pulwama and report in respect of other districts will be submitted within three days



The following instructions were issued by the Chair:-

1. Deputy Commissioners will take pro-active approach in acting against the illegal clinics/quacks operating in their respective districts and submit action taken report within a week.

(Action by: All DCs)

2. Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Pattan will ensure that FIRs are lodged against the persons who were found involved in operating illegal clinics.

(Action by: SDM, Pattan)

3. Deputy Commissioners will ensure that FIRs are lodged against the persons who are found involved in running illegal clinics/quackery in their respective jurisdictions.

(Action by: All DCs/CMOs)

4. Chief Medical Officer, Baramulla will provide list of the employees who have been found indulging in operating/running illegal clinics to SDM, Pattan so that FIRs are also lodged against them. Besides, a copy of the list of the employees with full particulars will be provided to this office by CMO, Baramulla for further necessary action

(Action by: CMO, Baramulla)

5. Director General, Health Services, Kashmir will submit a consolidated action taken report of all the districts within one week.

(Action by: DG, HS, Kmr)

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to and from the Chair.

(Qazi Irfan) KAS
Assistant Commissioner (C),
With Divisional Commissioner
Kashmir

Dated:

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- 1. All Deputy Commissioners for information and necessary action.
- 2. Director General, Health Services, Kashmir Srinagar
- 3. Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor, Raj Bhavan, J&K Srinagar for kind information of the Hon'ble Governor.
- 4. Sub-Divisional Magistrate, Pattan for information and necessary action.
- 5. Chief Medical Officer, Baramulla for information and necessary action.
- 6. District Informatics Officer, NIC C/o DC Office, Srinagar with the request to upload the minutes on the official website of this office.
- 7. Telephone Operator of this office for necessary action.