

TIMA NEWS MESSAGE – DECEMBER 2022

Dear Doctor's

Greetings from NHB IMA TNSB!

315th State Council Meet

Representing NHB as a Secretary I attended the 315th State Council Meet on 18th December 2022 at Trade Centre, Nungambakkam, Chennai. I submitted the Quarterly report of Nursing Home Board, it was well received by the leaders and got their appreciations.

Minimum Wages

Myself and Dr.S.Karthick Prabhu, Chairman, met the Labour Commissioner at Chennai on 22/11/2022 and gave a representation. We got the GO regarding the formation of Revised Committee for Minimum Wages, GO (D) No. 506, dated: 17/10/2022. This GO is enough for our members to face the Labour Department related problems regarding minimum wages.

There are No representatives from Nursing Home Board, while the previous committee had adequate representations from IMA & NHB. And we found there are mismatch in the committee. Regarding this again on **26th November 2022** myself and Dr.R.Rengaraj, Treasurer met the **Hon. Labour Minister** in Omalur, Salem and Dr.S.Karthick Prabhu, Chairman, met the Hon. Labour Minister again on **30.11.2022** at his residence. we have requested to add our NHB members who were part of the previous committee.

On **07.12.2022**, 1st meeting of **Minimum Wages Revision Committee** was conducted, we gave the representations through Dr.P.Ramakrishnan Imm past State President, IMA TNSB regarding the mismatch in the Committee..

Insurance

We have planned to hold a high-level Insurance Conclave with the participations of all the major Insurance companies including Tamilnadu Government Insurance by February 2023 1st week.

We have given a representation to the Hon'ble Health Minister Mr.Ma.Subramanian, Health Secretary and The project Director, CMCHIS. We insisted about our long pending needs regarding revision of rates in various schemes in Government Insurance.

We gave representations about:

- ✓ delay in getting the approved amount.
- ✓ denial of Pre authorizations without proper reason.
- ✓ paying less amount after giving final approval and
- ✓ denial after giving final approval..

We heard that they are forming a committee , we requested them to include IMA& NHB Members in the committee, as 70% of Healthcare for the people in Tamilnadu are attended by Private Sectors.

Validation of Members and Motivation of new Enrollment

When we analyzed we found there are 1595 Hospitals as defaulters

Reasons are:

- ✓ Closed
- ✓ Changed to OP Consultations
- ✓ Ownership Change
- ✓ Name change / Address change
- ✓ Not Intrested/ Not Bothered
- ✓ CEA

We have sent the Defaulters list to all the District Coordinators and spoken to them individually and asked them to speed up the renewal process. Life members list also sent to all District Coordinators, so it will be easy for them to find out the new Hospitals which are not the members of NHB.

Few of our Members are very relevant to renew their Membership or to come into the purview of NHB. They say that they are having CEA, so they need not to have any other Membership with NHB.

I wanted to tell you all that, CEA is a KNIFE hanging over your head always. At any time it may hurt.

In the act, on clause 5(2) it says like this “ **Provided that where the competent authority is of the opinion that it is necessary or expedient so to do in the public interest, it may, for reasons to be recorded in writing, suspend the registration of any private clinical establishment without issuing any notice.**”

Using this, few Hospitals have been closed recently. This clause was removed when CEA was implemented in Tamilnadu. But it seems they have made an amendment and included this clause without consulting us. So, without any notice a Non-Medical authority can take action saying that even a small problem in your Hospital may cause public hindrance and close your Hospital.

This NHB IMA TNSB along with IMA TNSB can only raise questions and fight for the safety of our Members. If you are a member, nearly 4000 Hospitals in Tamilnadu and the whole of IMA TNSB & NHB Office Bearers are behind you to protect you.

Changing renewal system of NHB Membership

With the Guidance of leaders in Finance Standing Committee and approval in State Council Meeting we are bringing changes in the renewal system. From **January 2023** onwards, the NHB renewal will be done only in accordance with the Enrollment date, once in 5 years and not on December 31st of every year.

Amalgamation of General and Journal Account

As approved by the leaders in the Finance Standing Committee and State Council we have decided to amalgamate the General and Journal account to one account. So from January 1st 2023 onwards there will be only one account for NHB IMA TNSB which will be called as “**IMA NHB General Fund**”, which makes our Members job very easy.

NHB Express

We launched our 2nd edition of NHB Express Magazine at the 127th NHB Zonal Meet - South Zone. It was released by Dr.R.Palaniswamy, State President, IMA TNSB, and the first copy was received by Dr.V.Varadarajan, NHB General Convener.

And we have sent the NHB Express to all our Nursing Home Board members.

“Strive not to be a success, but rather to be of value. –Albert Einstein”

Long Live IMA ! Long Live NHB !

On behalf of

Yours Cordially

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