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GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM DIRECTORATE OF HEALTH SERVICES

(FOOD & DRUGS ADMINISTRATION WING)

MIZORAM: AIZAWL

Dated Aizawl, the 4th February,2022

CIRCULAR

As we are all aware that the abuse of pharmaceutical drugs is quite prevalent in the whole of India, and this is the same situation in the state of Mizoram. Studies have shown that even a minor or rather school children were among the abusers of such products and the pharmacies are the main sources where the abusers could managed to procure without valid prescriptions.

The provisions of Rule 65(9)(a) of the Drugs & Cosmetics Rules, 1945 has mandated that substances specified in Schedule H, H(1) and X shall not be sold by retail except on and in accordance with the prescription of a Regd. Medical Practitioner and in the case of substances specified in Schedule X, the prescription shall be in duplicate, one copy of which shall be retained by the licensee for a period of two years.

Besides, the State Licensing Authority, Directorate of Health Services, Aizawl has, from time to time issued numbers of circulars to all concern relating to restrictions on the sale of abusive pharmaceutical preparations making special mention to customers below 18 years of age and children with school uniform, for which circulars dated 15.5.2018, 30.10.2019 & 31.8.2020 may be referred to.

Now, the National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) in consultation with the Central Drug Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO) desires that all the pharmacies should mandatorily install CCTV camera to capture the sales counter area so as to see and monitor the movement and activities of the pharmacy.

Therefore, all the pharmacies in Mizoram with drug licence in form 20&21 (General Retail) are directed to install CCTV camera within 3 months from date of this circular and those pharmacies already with CCTV camera, may submit a report to the undersigned and if found satisfactory, may not require installation afresh.

Sd/- LALSAWMA

Joint Director (F&D) Controlling & Licensing Authority Food & Drugs Administration Wing Directorate of Health Services Mizoram: Aizawl Dated Aizawl, the 4th February,2022

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Copy to:

1. PPA to the Secretary, H&FW, Govt of Mizoram

2. The Principal Director, H&FW, Mizoram

3. The Director of Health Services, Mizoram

4. All pharmacies (General Retail) within Mizoram for strict compliance

5. All FDA Officers, Mizoram for information and necessary action

6. Guard File

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