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To

1. The Secretary,
Government of the Punjab,
Specialized Healthcare & Medical Education Department.
2. The Secretary,
Government of the Punjab,
Primary & Secondary Healthcare Department.

Subject: - **INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING PROCUREMENT OF MEDICINES BY TEACHING HOSPITALS / DISTRICT HEALTH AUTHORITIES / DHQs AND THQs.**

I am directed to refer to this Department's notification of even number, dated 01.11.2001 on the above subject and to state that it has been observed that following instructions regarding distribution of allocation of budget for procurement of medicines are not being followed by Health Facilities in letter & spirit:

- (i) 10% reserved for natural calamities / emergencies to be purchased in bulk.
- (ii) 15% day to day purchase for normal medicines.
- (iii) 75% bulk purchase for normal medicines.

2. Moreover, Health Facilities are making expenditure on procurement of medicines in excess of allocated budget without soliciting necessary funds, as required under Rule 17.18, Punjab Financial Rules, Vol-I. This generates unnecessary liability in the object head of procurement of medicines at the closure of the financial year. Besides, medicines being procured through central contract are not anticipated according to the requirement of turnout of patients in OPD, leading towards, procurement of medicines through Local Purchase (LP) violating the limit of LP upto 15% of budgetary allocation for the medicines.

3. Foregoing in view, Finance Department advises that financial discipline may be followed in letter & spirit for procurement of medicines by all Health Facilities throughout the Province and appropriate necessary departmental or / and legal action be initiated in case of violations.

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1. PS to Finance Secretary, Government of the Punjab, Finance Department.
2. All Heads of Teaching Hospitals.
3. All Chief Executive Officers of District Health Authorities.
4. All Medical Superintendents, DHQ and THQ Hospitals.