

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS  
(RAILWAY BOARD)**

No.2007/H/23/5(Appliances)

New Delhi, dated- 08.09.2010

The General Managers,  
All Indian Railways (including Production Units)

**Sub:- Policy for provision of Bi PAP/CPAP machine to Railway health beneficiaries.**

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In view of persistent demand from the Zonal Railways for issuing guidelines for supply of BiPAP/CPAP machines to Railway health services beneficiaries, a Committee comprising four Chest Physicians was constituted to look into the matter.

After careful examination of the recommendations of the Committee, Board (MS) has decided to delegate powers to Zonal Railways to procure BiPAP/CPAP machines for supply to the Railway health services beneficiaries on the following conditions:-

1. The machine shall be provided once in a life time and responsibility of maintenance of machine shall be of beneficiaries and expenditure incurred for that shall be borne by him/her.
2. The ceiling limit for purchase shall be as per CGHS Guidelines i.e.:-

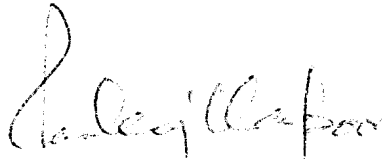
CPAP machine	Rs.50,000/-
Bi-PAP machine	Rs.1,00,000/-
3. Procurement will be at zonal level, following artificial appliances procurement procedures.
4. Recommendation for supply of CPAP/Bi PAP machine by Railway Medical Officer would be assessed and certified by a Committee of three doctors (one SAG and 2 JAG with at least one Physician and one Chest Physician) clearly mentioning the indication.
5. Procedure of monitoring the effectiveness and requirement of machine i.e. Physician to reassess patient's adherence to the use of machine at 2 months interval and yearly re-certification. Machine is to be returned to the hospital, if not required further or in case of death of the patient.

This issues with the concurrence of Finance Directorate of the Ministry of Railways.

Accordingly, ACS to para 404 of IRMM, 2000 adding para 404(4) is enclosed.

Hindi version will follow.

**Encl. As above**

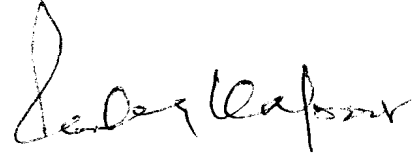
  
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**Advance Correction Slip to Para 404 of IRMM,2000.**

**Add (4) after (3) to Para 404**

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