

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE ROAD TRANSPORT CORPORATION

No. IR1/468(01)/2020-P

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Sub: Covid-19 – Treatment for Covid-19 positive patients of PTD/APSRTC at
Aarogyasree empanelled private hospitals and RTC empanelled Hospitals –
Instructions – Communicated – Reg.

Ref: G.O. Ms. No.77, dated: 08.07.2020 of Health, Medical & Family Welfare (I)
Department of GoAP.

APSRTC started operation of buses w.e.f. 22.05.2020 consequent to partial relaxation of lock down imposed due to Covid-19 pandemic. At present, about 3000 bus services are being operated daily. The drivers, conductors, garage staff and supervisors who are performing duties are getting exposed to Covid-19 risk while on duty. At some depots, a few cases of Covid-19 positive have already been reported.

Government facilities for Covid-19 treatment:

The facilities provided by the Government of A.P to treat Covid-19 positive cases are classified into three (3) categories as given below.

1. State level hospitals where super specialty facilities to handle severe cases with co-morbid conditions are available;
2. District level hospitals where sufficient facilities are available to provide treatment to non acute symptomatic cases
3. District level Covid-19 care centers where all asymptomatic cases are treated.

These hospitals and care centers are running under the direct control and supervision of GoAP. No charges are levied at the above mentioned hospitals and care centers of GoAP towards hospital expenditure on treatment, investigations, medicines, disposables and nutrition etc.

The Regional Managers shall maintain liaison with District Medical & Health Officers (DMHO) to get Covid-19 positive cases of APSRTC employees and their family members admitted for treatment without any delay in the above mentioned hospitals and care centers. Covid-19 patients of APSRTC employees and their family members may be directed to the above stated hospitals and care centers based on the symptoms of the patient.

Private hospitals for Covid-19 treatment:

In case of difficulty in getting the Covid-19 positive patients of APSRTC admitted in the above stated hospitals and care centers, the Unit Officers/Depot Managers may direct the patients for admission into "Aarogyasree - empanelled private hospitals" notified by GoAP for Covid-19 treatment. **List of hospitals is enclosed herewith.** Further, if necessary, such patients may be directed to APSRTC referral hospitals also if Covid-19 treatment facilities are available.

The employees of APSRTC and their dependant family members can avail Covid-19 treatment at "Aarogyasree - empanelled private hospitals" of GoAP or APSRTC empanelled hospitals duly taking the referral from the Unit Officer/Depot Manager concerned of APSRTC. The Medical Officer concerned will issue "Credit Reference Form (CRF)" letter to hospitals based on the communication received from the Unit Officer/Depot Manager regarding admission for Covid-19 treatment.

Payment will be made by APSRTC directly to the referral hospitals (Aarogyasree - empanelled private hospitals/APSRTC empanelled hospitals) towards the treatment provided for Covid-19 patients of APSRTC employees and their family members as per the terms of G.O. at reference cited. The Government of A.P fixed the tariff to provide Covid-19 treatment at Aarogyasree - empanelled private hospitals at the rates given below.

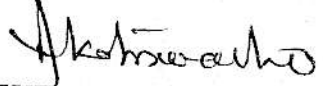
1. Non critical patients - Rs.3250/- per day
2. Patients requiring critical care - Rs. 5480/- to Rs.10380/- per day depending on the requirement of ICU facility, ventilator and other treatment procedures.

The above tariff covers hospital expenditure on medical personnel, PPE, disinfection, investigations, medicines and nutrition provided to the patients in both critical and non critical cases.

All RMs of Regions and EDs of Zones are hereby authorized to make payments, at the rates approved by GoAP, directly to the authorized Aarogyasree - empanelled private hospitals or APSRTC empanelled hospitals for Covid-19 treatment provided to the employees of APSRTC and their dependant family members, subject to scrutiny and certification by the doctors of APSRTC and pre-audit by the Accounts Department, in terms of the existing delegation of powers of APSRTC.

All Officers of the Corporation are hereby advised to communicate the above details to all employees through formal and informal communication systems such as gate meetings, notice boards etc. The Managers shall also educate the employees constantly about the preventive measures to be taken while on duty or at place of residence such as wearing mask, maintaining physical distance and washing hands frequently etc.

The above instructions will come into force with immediate effect.


EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (A)