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Government of India

Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi

Dated the 13th September, 2021

To

Dr Ratan Kelkar

Mission Director, NHM

NHM State Mission Office

General Hospital Junction

Thiruvananthapuram 695035

Subject: Proposal from the State for exemption from procurement of medicines for COVID-19 management under ECRP II through Government e-marketing platform (GeM) - communication of approval – regarding

In reference to your letter No. NHM/3668/F1/SPMSU dated 4th September, 2021 seeking exemption from GeM for procurement of Drugs approved under ECRP II and requested for approval to proceed for procurement through the State procurement agency, on the grounds that the medicines for COVID-19 management are not available in the Government e-marketing platform (GeM).

2. In this regard, it is conveyed that Ministry has examined the proposal and concurred with the proposal of the State, to give relaxation

from procurement of medicines for COVID-19 management under ECRP II through GeM and approved for the procurement through State procurement agency. However, before placing the order, State should ensure required due diligence and financial procedure at their level. Accordingly, State is requested to take further action in this regard.

3. This issues with the approval of AS & FA.

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Director (NHM)

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Copy to:

- Principal Secretary Health, Government of Kerala
- PPS to AS & FA/AS & MD
- PPS to JS, Policy/JS IFD/EA, NHM
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