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**GOVERNMENT OF MEGHALAYA  
HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE DEPARTMENT**

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**ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR**  
**NOTIFICATION**

**Dated Shillong, the 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2022.**

**No.Health.140/2017/137:-** In pursuance of Section 35 (2) of the Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021, the Governor of Meghalaya is pleased to appoint the appropriate authorities for the purpose of the Act.

Under Section 35 (3) the appropriate authorities shall consist of the following members:-

1.	Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department	Chairperson
2.	Director of Health Services (MCH&FW)	Vice-Chairperson, ex-officio
3.	Representatives of Women Welfare Organisation	Member
4.	Secretaries or Joint Secretary, Law Department	Member
5.	Registered Medical Practitioner	Member

**Under Section 36 of the Surrogacy (Regulation) Act, 2021, the Terms of Reference of the Appropriate Authority are as follows:-**

- (a) to grant, suspend or cancel registration of a surrogacy clinic;
- (b) to enforce the standards to be fulfilled by the surrogacy clinics;
- (c) to investigate complaints of breach of the provisions of this Act, rules and regulations made thereunder and take legal action as per provision of this Act;
- (d) to take appropriate legal action against the use of surrogacy by any person at any place other than prescribed, suo motu or brought to its notice and also to initiate independent investigations in such matter;
- (e) to supervise the implementation of the provisions of this Act, rules and regulations made thereunder.
- (f) to recommend to the Board and State Boards about the modifications required in the rules and regulations in accordance with changes in technology or social conditions;
- (g) to take action after investigation of complaints received by it against the surrogacy clinics.
- (h) to consider and grant or reject any application under clause (vi) of Section 3 and sub-clauses (a) to (c) of clause (iii) of Section 4 within a period of ninety days.

Sd/-

(Sampath Kumar, IAS)  
Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department.

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**Memo No.Hea1th. 140/2017/137-A**

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Copy to :-

1. The P.S to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Chief Minister.
2. The P.S to the Hon'ble Minister i/c Health & Family Welfare, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Minister.
3. The P S to Chief Secretary, Meghalaya, Shillong for kind information of Chief Secretary.
4. The P.S. to the Principal Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department for information of the Principal Secretary.
5. The P.A. to the Commissioner & Secretary, Health & Family Welfare Department for information of the Commissioner & Secretary.
6. Mission Director, National Health Mission (NHM), Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
7. Director of Health Services (MI)/(MCH&FW)/(Research), Meghalaya, Shillong for information.
8. All members of the Committee for kind information.

By Orders, etc.,



Under Secretary to the Govt. of Meghalaya,  
Health & Family Welfare Department.

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