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Notification

Sub: Guidelines for transfer of Health Contribution to Bhutan Health Trust Fund

In keeping with the Government decision to transfer the Health Contribution (HC) from Revenue Account to Bhutan Health Trust Fund (BHTF) for financing procurement of all essential medicines vide letter No.C-3/39/419 dated 25th June 2014, the following guidelines are issued:

- i. From the Financial Year 2014-15 onwards, the Health Contribution (HC) deposited in the RGR account by the withholding agencies on a monthly basis shall be transferred to BHTF.
- ii. The Department of Revenue and Customs shall transfer the amount to CD account No. 20700220293190019 of BHTF maintained with Bank of Bhutan, Thimphu within 40 days from the closure of the month by the Department of Revenue and Customs;
- iii. The collection of dues/penalties if any on the late submission of health contribution by the respective withholding agencies shall also be remitted to BHTF as and when it is collected;
- iv. The BHTF shall acknowledge the receipt of HC;
- v. The BHTF shall release fund into the Budget Fund Account (BFA) on quarterly basis for financing essential medicines through the annual budgetary process under Financing Item Code 1289 with intimation to DPA;
- vi. With the transfer of HC to BHTF, procurement of all essential medicines by MOH and JDWNR Hospital shall be financed by BHTF;
- vii. This guideline may be amended from time to time jointly by the Ministry of Finance and Ministry of Health in consultation with BHTF.

This guideline shall come into force with immediate effect.

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4. The Director, Department of National Budget, Thimphu
5. The Director, Department of Revenue and Customs, Thimphu
6. The Director, BHTF, MoH, Thimphu
7. The Director, JDWNR Hospital, Thimphu