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Government of India
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare
(PNDT Section)

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Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated the 9th October, 2014

To,

The Chairperson
State Appropriate Authority
All States/UTs

Subject: Registration of IVF/ART Centres/Clinics under PC&PNDT Act, 1994 –
Issuance of guidelines reg.

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to state that all ART/IVF procedures/tests & techniques are recognized as pre-natal diagnostic procedures/ pre-natal diagnostic techniques/ pre-natal diagnostic tests or under Sections 2(i), 2(j) and 2(k) of the PC&PNDT Act 1994, which are reproduced as under:

Section 2(i) “*prenatal diagnostic procedures*” mean all gynaecological or obstetrical or medical procedure such as ultrasonography, foetoscopy, taking, removing samples of amniotic fluid, chorionic villi, embryo, blood or any other tissue or fluid of a man, or of a woman before or after conception, or being sent to a Genetic Laboratory or Genetic Clinic for conducting any type of analysis or pre natal diagnostic tests for selection of sex before or after conception.

Section 2(j) “*prenatal diagnostic techniques*” include all pre-natal diagnostic procedures and pre-natal diagnostic tests.

Section 2(k) “*pre-natal diagnostic test*” means ultrasonography or any test or analysis of amniotic fluid, chorionic villi, embryo, blood or any other tissue or fluid of a pregnant woman or conceptus conducted to detect genetic or metabolic disorders or chromosomal abnormalities or congenital anomalies or haemoglobinopathies or sex-linked diseases.

2. In view of the above provisions of the Act, all the ART clinics or centres/IVF clinics or centres/Surrogacy Clinics or centres or other such centres are mandatorily required to be registered under PC&PNDT Act 1994 either as Genetic Counselling Centres [Section 2(c)], Genetic clinics [Section 2(d)] or Genetic Laboratories [Section 2(e)], as defined under the PC&PNDT Act 1994 depending on the activities being performed by the centres/clinics.

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3. Further, the range of activities of these centres/clinics or laboratories is extensively defined under Sections 2(i), 2(j) and 2(k) of the PCPNDT Act 1994. All diagnostic procedures/techniques/tests conducted in such clinics/centres should be recorded either in the Form F (revised) or Form E (whichever is relevant) and reported to the Appropriate Authorities concerned. Sections A, B, C of the revised Form F capture all possible diagnostic procedures/tests, non-invasive diagnostic procedures/tests and invasive procedures/tests. Point 21(v) of Section (C) of revised Form F may capture any other invasive procedures/tests if it is not explicitly covered under the revised Form F.

4. As such, there is no need of a separate Form F for the IVF/ART centres and the IVF/ART centres are mandatorily required to be registered under the PCPNDT Act 1994. All the Appropriate Authorities concerned are advised to compile and update data related to such ART/IVF centres as a part of QPR and submit accordingly to this Ministry as clearly required under Rule 9(8) of the PC&PNDT Act 1996.

6. This issues with the approval of competent authority.

7. Kindly acknowledge the receipt of this letter

Yours faithfully,


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