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Office Memorandum

Subject:-Issue of Operational Guidelines for the implementation of the recommendations on Health Sector grants contained in Chapter 7 of the Fifteenth Finance Commission (FC-XV) Final Report – regarding.

Ref.:- Operational Guidelines issued by the Department of Expenditure vide O.
M. No. 15(2)FC-XV/FCD/ 2020-25, dated 16-07-2021 and Addendum dated 07-09-2021 for the implementation of the FC-XV recommended Health Sector grants.

Kind attention is invited to the para 8 (Procurement of medicine, medical equipment, diagnostics and other consumables etc.) of the reference cited above. It is clarified that State Level Committee (SLC) may decide about the procurement of any of the approved items of diagnostic infrastructure, medical equipment, Drugs etc. involved in any of the components of the Health Sector Grant through a mechanism which may include centralised purchase (at State level) with the aim to ensure purchase of quality products at reasonable/competitive prices in an efficient manner after following the due processes, procedures and practices. However, for the centrally (at State level) procured items, the State (s) must ensure that the selected vendors/companies do deliver the procured items at the intended destination (where these are required to be installed/utilized).

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2. Many of the medical equipments etc. might be available on Government e-Marketplace (GeM). Therefore, efforts may be made to procure such items from GeM.

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