

INTRODUCTION

In 2010 Clinical Establishments (Registration and Regulation) Act, 2010 has been enacted by the Central Government to provide for registration and regulation of all clinical establishments in the country with a view to prescribe the minimum standards of facilities and services provided by them.

The Ministry has notified the “National Council for Clinical Establishments” and ‘The Clinical Establishments (Central Government) Rules, 2010’ under this Act vide Gazette. *This Act is applicable to all kinds of clinical establishments from the public and private sectors, of all recognized systems of medicine including single doctor clinics. The only exception will be establishments run by the Armed forces.*

As under sub no (iv) section 12 of Clinical Establishment Act, 2010, the other condition for registration in Mizoram is as follows:

Non-compliance with the stated Minimum Standard and classification for Hospital & Laboratories in Mizoram will result in cancellation of their registration.

CATEGORIZATION OF HOSPITAL

The minimum standards for Allopathic hospitals Under Clinical Establishment Act, 2010 are developed on the basis of level of care provided, as defined below:

HOSPITAL LEVEL 1 –

General Medical services with indoor admission facility provided by recognized allopathic medical graduate(s) and may also include general dentistry services provided by recognised BDS graduates.

Example: PHC, Government and Private Hospitals and Nursing Homes run by MBBS Doctors etc.

HOSPITAL LEVEL 2-

This level of hospital shall include all the general medical services provided at level 1 above and specialist medical services provided by Doctors from one or more basic specialities providing indoor and OPD services namely-

- a. General Medicine
- b. General Surgery
- c. Paediatrics
- d. Obstetrics & Gynaecology and
- e. Dentistry

Level 1 and Level 2 Hospitals shall also include support systems required for the respective services like Pharmacy, Laboratory, etc.

Example: General Hospital, Single/Multiple basic medical Specialities provided at Community Health Centre, Sub Divisional Hospital, and Private Hospital of similar scope, Nursing Home, Civil/District Hospital in few places etc.

HOSPITAL LEVEL 3

This level may include all the services provided at level 1 and 2 and services through other medical specialities given as under, in addition to basic medical speciality given under Level 2 like:

- a. Orthopaedics
- b. ENT
- c. Ophthalmology
- d. Dental
- e. Emergency with or without ICU
- f. Anaesthesia
- g. Psychiatry
- h. Skin
- i. Pulmonary Medicine
- j. Rehabilitation, etc.

And support systems required for the above services like Pharmacy, Laboratory, Imaging facilities, Operational Theatre etc.

Example: District Hospital, Corporate Hospitals, Referral Hospital, Regional/State Hospital, Nursing Home and Private Hospital of similar scope etc.

HOSPITAL LEVEL 4-

SUPER SPECIALITY SERVICES-

This level may include all the services provided at level 1, 2 and 3 and services of one or more of the super specialty with distinct departments and or also Dentistry if available. It will have other support systems required for services like Pharmacy, Laboratory, and Imaging facility, Operation Theatre etc.

Example: Corporate Hospitals, Referral Hospital, Regional/State Hospital, Nursing Home and Private Hospital of similar scope etc.

HOSPITAL LEVEL 5-

(TEACHING)

This level will include all the services provided at level 3 and may also have Level 4 facilities. It will however have the distinction of being teaching/training institution and it may or may not have super specialities. Tertiary healthcare services at this level can be provided through specialities and may be super specialities (if available). It will have other support systems required for these services. It shall also include the requirement of MCI/other registering body for teaching hospitals and will be governed by their rules. However registration of teaching Hospitals will also be required under Clinical Establishments Act for purpose other than those covered under MCI such as, records maintenance and reporting of information and statistics, and compliance to range of rates for Medical and Surgical procedures, etc.