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Government of India  
Ministry of Women & Child Development  
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated: 11<sup>th</sup> October, 2021

To

Principal Secretaries of all States/ UTs - dealing with Anganwadi Services.

**Sub: Inclusion of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers under the under the "Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package" with Insurance Cover of Rs.50 lakh.- Reg**

Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package (PMGKP) Insurance Scheme for Health Care Workers Fighting COVID-19 was launched on 30.03.2020 to provide comprehensive personal accident cover of Rs.50 Lakh to 22.12 lakh health care providers including community health workers and private health workers who may have been in direct contact of COVID-19 patients for their care and at risk of being impacted.

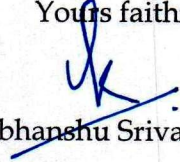
2. As per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health & Welfare, health workers fighting Covid-19 in Government hospitals and health care centres (viz. safai karamcharis, ward-boys, nurses, ASHA workers, paramedics, technicians, doctors and specialists etc.) are covered under the PMGKP with an insurance cover of Rs.50.00 lakh. Since the name of Anganwadi workers and Anganwadi Helpers did not specifically figure in the list of beneficiaries under PMGKP, based on the request made by this Ministry, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has now clarified vide their letter dated 20th September, 2021 that the Anganwadi workers and Anganwadi Helpers are also covered under the PMGKP subject to the following conditions:

- (a) They should have been deputed by the States/ Central hospitals/ autonomous hospitals of Central/ States/ UTs, AIIMS & INIs/ hospitals of Central Ministries for COVID-19 related responsibilities.
- (b) They should have been working as front-line health workers, who may have to be in direct contact and care of COVID-19 patients and who may be at risk of being impacted by this.
- (c) The loss of life is due to COVID-19 or death due to accident on account of COVID 19 related duty.

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3. Accordingly, you are requested to extend necessary support to the dependents of AWWs/AWHs who have succumbed to Covid-19/accidents during the line of duty as per guidelines under PMGKP to claim the insurance cover. You are also requested to give wide publicity to the coverage of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers under PMGKP.

Yours faithfully,

  
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Directors of all States/ UTs dealing with ICDS scheme.

(This is regarding inclusion of Anganwadi Workers and Anganwadi Helpers under the "Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Package" with Insurance Cover of Rs.50 lakh).