

Stage-3 and 4 Cancer Patients in the State will now get a Monthly Pension of Rs. 2500 | Haryana | 24 Dec 2022

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 On December 23, 2022, the Haryana Government has decided to start a monthly pension of Rs. 2500 for stage-3 and 4 Cancer Patients of the State. This will put an additional financial burden of over Rs. 68.42 crore on the State Exchequer.

Key Points

- It may be recalled that Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar, after meeting the families of Cancer victims in May 2022, had assured that all possible help would be provided to Cancer Patients and those whose family income is up to Rs. 3 lakh.
- The State Social and Empowerment Department said that for the benefit of this Scheme, the facts
 of annual income shown in the family identity card will be matched. This Pension will continue till
 the patient is alive.
- To take advantage of this Scheme, the patient will have to upload the documents verified by the Committee of the Civil Surgeon's Office through the Saral Center. The applicant will have to bring Ration Card, Voter Card, PAN Card, Passport, Bank Passbook, Telephone, Water, Electricity or other utility bills, in which the address of the house is written or land record documents / family identity card will have to be brought to the Saral Center.
- ASHA Worker The ANM will verify the Patient's Survival Certificate, which will be countersigned by the Health Department Officials.
- According to the Civil Resource Information Department, there are 57 lakh families in Haryana, whose population is 2 crore 85 lakh. Of these, more than 37.45 lakh families have an annual income of less than Rs. 3 lakh in the family identity card.
- It is noteworthy that the financial assistance given to Cancer victims from the Relief Fund in the State was earlier approved by the Chief Minister's Office. The matter was referred to the Chief Minister's Office by the concerned District Deputy Commissioner and it was a lengthy process. As soon as the matter came to the notice of the Chief Minister, he asked the District Deputy Commissioner to release this financial assistance amount at his level. This amount of up to Rs. 1 lakh is given to the patient at the District level as financial assistance.
- The State Government has decided that if the patient is taking advantage of any other type of Social Security Pension or Old Age Honor Allowance Scheme, then he will also get a monthly pension of Rs. 2500 additionally.
- Before Haryana, Tripura is the only State in the country which is giving monthly financial assistance of Rs. 1000 to stage-3 Cancer patients.

Expansion of 'Chief Minister Urban Body Ownership Scheme' | Haryana | 24 Dec 2022

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 On December 22, 2022, Haryana Chief Secretary Sanjeev Kaushal told in a meeting with officials of various Departments in Chandigarh that the 'Mukhyamantri Urban Body Ownership Scheme', designed to give ownership of Commercial Land of Municipalities running on rent or lease for more than 20 years in the State, will be adopted by other Departments as well. For this, a new plan is being prepared.

Key Points

- Chief Secretary Sanjeev Kaushal directed the officials to prepare the Draft Scheme within 15 days. The Draft will then be sent to the Chief Minister and the Finance Department for approval and will be brought to the meeting of the Council of Ministers for final approval.
- The Chief Secretary informed that the Chief Minister Urban Body Ownership Scheme was prepared by the Urban Local Bodies Department in June 2021. Under this, ownership rights were provided to all citizens of Urban bodies who have occupied Commercial Land for 20 years or more than 20 years.
- Under this Scheme, individuals who have been occupying the land for 20 years through rent or lease are being given Ownership Rights on payment of up to 80 percent of the Collector Rate.
- Similarly, according to the limit of years occupied by the land, the Collector Rate will have to be paid at different rates, such as 75 percent of the Collector Rate for 25 years, 70 percent for 30 years, 65 percent for 35 years, 60 percent for 40 years, 55 percent for 45 years. There is a provision to give Ownership Rights on payment of 50 percent for 50 years.
- He said that now it has been decided by the State Government that a new plan will be made by bringing uniformity across the State to give Ownership Rights to Citizens on lands of other Departments besides Bodies.
- He directed the Officials of the Urban Local Bodies Department to prepare the Draft Scheme for other Departments and this Draft will be shared with the Administrative Secretaries of the Concerned Departments and comments will be sought from them.
- It was informed in the meeting that during the first phase of the Chief Minister Urban Body Ownership Scheme, about 7 thousand applications were received. Letters of Intent (LoIs) have been issued to 1730 applicants.

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