

**GOVERNMENT OF NAGALAND
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF SECRETARY
NAGALAND: KOHIMA**

No: CSO/MISC/2021

DATED: Kohima, the 10th April 2021

To,

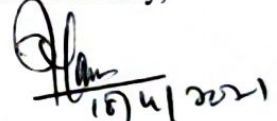
**The President
Nagaland In-Service Doctors Association
Kohima.**

Subject: Appeal

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of the **Appeal** to withdraw the proposed agitation of NIDA for further necessary action at your end.

Yours faithfully,



**(J. ALAM) IAS
Chief Secretary, Nagaland**

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1. The Principal Secretary Health & Family Welfare Department, Nagaland
2. The Principal Director Health & Family Welfare Department, Nagaland
3. The Director IPR Department, Nagaland for publication in the media.
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APPEAL

Chief Secretary along with Senior Officials of the Government held a meeting with the representatives of NIDA on account of their Press Statement conveying their decision to resort to mass casual leave with effect from 12th April 2021 onwards, and thereafter indefinite cessation of routine works.

The Chief Secretary explained that the Cabinet in its last meeting on 7th April 2021 had deferred the matter for further consultation and that the matter is not closed, but still under consideration. He further explained that the Government has been actively considering the matter since it was reopened in December 2020, and taken up by the Cabinet twice, besides having a consultation with the student body through the Cabinet sub-committee headed by Hon'ble Deputy Chief Minister.

It was impressed upon the office bearers of NIDA that Nagaland, like the rest of the country, is battling the Covid pandemic for more than one year and now the second wave is staring at us. Further, the vaccination drive needs to be intensified and testing, tracking and treatment of Covid cases have to be continued without any disruption. Since the Disaster Management Act, 2005 is still in force and the health services are an essential service under the Nagaland Essential Services (Maintenance Act, 1978) such disruptive action will be illegal. Moreover, the disruption in health services would be extremely detrimental for the general public at this point of time.

He further assured the officials and members of NIDA that all efforts will be made so that the consultation process is fast tracked. The Chief Secretary offered to the office bearers to be part of the consultations, jointly review on a fortnightly basis, and work closely with the Government to resolve the matter in an amicable manner.

Keeping in view the prevailing situation and the assurance given, the Chief Secretary appealed that NIDA should withdraw its proposed agitation and instead join hands with the Government to find an early solution.


16/4/2021

(J. ALAM) IAS
Chief Secretary, Nagaland.