No. S 12016/9/2016-NACO (NBTC)  
Government of India  
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  
National Aids Control Organization  
(National Blood Transfusion Council)

9th Floor, Chanderlok Building,  
36 Janpath, New Delhi-110 001.  
Dated the 11th January, 2018

To

The Deputy Registrar (LAW),  
National Human Rights Commission,  
Manavadarshik Bhawan,  
Block-C, G.P.O Complex,  
INA, New Delhi-110023.

Subject:

1. Case no 245/90/0/2016 { Registered on a complaint dated 29.06.2016 received from ASHU KUMAR referring to the media report in The Hindu dated 31st May 2016 that 2234 persons getting infected with HIV/AIDS while getting blood transfusion in the last 17 months across India}

2. Case no 251/90/0/2016 { Registered on a complaint dated 10.06.2016 received from SHRI M.R. ATHIRA ENGALS alleging that 2234 persons getting infected with HIV/AIDS while getting blood transfusion in the last 17 months across India and urging for action on the hospitals and laboratories which were responsible}

3. Case no 378/90/0/2016 {Registered on a complaint dated 26.11.2016 received from MR. CHETAN KOTHARI in the matter of Transmission of HIV through Blood Transfusion across the country and the matter of 2234 people contacting HIV by the same, as revealed under RTI and in the matter of worrisome state of blood banks across the country}

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to refer to letters of even no. dated 29.06.2016, 26.07.2016 and 26.11.2016 addressed to the Secretary, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare regarding the subject mentioned above and to say that complaint received from Mr. Chetan Kothari of Mumbai Maharashtra vide Case No. 378/90/0/2016 has been linked to the complaints of Shri M.R. Aathira Engals, vide Case No. 251/90/0/2016(M-II), on the same issue vide Case No. 245/90/0/2016 of Shri Ashu Kumar, Delhi vide letter of even no. dated 28th July 2017.
The action taken report in the subject matter detailed below:

1. All measures taken by NACO and CDSCO to tackle the problem of HIV transmission through Blood Transfusion have been enlisted vide communication dated 24th April 2017 (Copy enclosed)

As prayed, an Expert Working Group committee was constituted under chairpersonship of Special Director General Health Services, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and aegis of National Blood Transfusion Council to review existing norms for manpower of blood banks and make recommendations for revision thereof. The committee has submitted its report which has been accepted by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare for necessary action.

The prayer of complainants may be therefore considered complied with and all the complainants are copied on this communication for information.

This issues with the approval of Secretary (Health), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,

(Signed)

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