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## **OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

## Subject: Efforts to increase ICU / HDU beds reg.

AIIMS, New Delhi, is the apex quaternary care national public healthcare facility and is expected to deliver quality medical care to the sickest patients referred from across the Country. For the same, it is essential to have an optimal number of ICU / HDU beds.

It is noted that currently, the percentage of ICU & HDU beds in AIIMS, New Delhi is less than 10%. This number is contemplated to rise above 30% after the implementation of AIIMS Masterplan. However, in the interim also there is a requirement to make a concerted effort to augment our critical care capacity by converting a few existing ward beds to ICU & HDU beds. This shall also help transition to a higher critical care capacity in a graded manner.

Accordingly, all clinical departments are advised to create their own small ICU & HDU within their wards by:

- Optimizing space planning within the existing wards.
- Efficient utilization of existing human resources by implementing task shifting & task sharing approach. This shall also help expand the pool the human resources trained in critical care at AIIMS, New Delhi & shall also result in job enrichment for all.
- Optimally utilizing existing medical equipment and procuring new medical equipment if required by projecting the same in the Department budget for FY 2023-24.
- Augmenting number of beds on which medical gas supply is available by requesting for additional oxygen / vacuum / air points if required from the manifold services.

All clinical departments are requested to complete this exercise by  $28^{th}$  February 2023 and submit their projections for augmentation of ICU & HDU beds for this year.

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Director

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