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Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Central Drugs Standard Control Organization
(DTAB/DCC Division)

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Subject: Inviting suggestions/comments on the recommendations of Expert Working Group constituted by the National Blood Transfusion Council (NBTC) on 'review and recommendations of manpower norms for blood banks'.

National Blood Transfusion Council (NBTC) has proposed to include following minimum manpower requirement in the Drugs & Cosmetic Rules, the agenda of which was placed and deliberated in 81st DTAB and it has recommended to obtain public comments on it.

Staffing pattern & numbers:

(i) For Whole Human Blood (24 hours operations, blood collection/Processing in routine working hours, cross match and issue 24/7).

Staff required	Annual blood collection (units)				
	Up to 5000	Up to 10000	Up to 20000	>20000	>50000
Medical Officer In-charge /Medical Personnel	2	3	5	7	8
Counsellor/ Medical Social Worker	1	2	2	2	4
Registered Nurse	1	2	3	4	8
Blood Centre Technician	5	8	11	13	22

Note: For Blood Centre's collecting less than 3000 units per annum, the Counsellor or Medical Social Worker can be part time and shared with the institution.

(ii) For outdoor blood donation camps/ blood mobile Van collection (additional minimum staff required to collect 50-120 blood units per camp).

Additional staff required Numbers	Numbers
Medical personnel	1
Counsellor/ Medical Social Worker	2
Registered Nurse	2
Blood Centre Technician	3

Note: The Medical Officer/ residents undergoing post graduate training, having minimum qualification of MBBS can attend Blood Donation Camps under the supervision of trained Medical Officer of the blood centre.

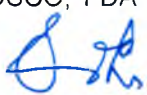
(iii) For Blood Component separation

Additional staff required	Annual blood collection (units)				
	Up to 5000	Up to 10000	Up to 20000	>20000	> 50000
Blood Centre Technical Supervisor	1	1	1	1	1
Blood Centre Technician	1	2	3	3	4

(iv) For Aphaeresis (additional minimum staff required to conduct 20 Aphaeresis per month)

Additional staff required	Number
Medical personnel	1
Nurse/ Technologist	1

In view of the above, all the stakeholders are requested to forward their comments/suggestions on the above staffing pattern for blood banks within 21 days of issue of this notice, through email at **dc@nic.in** and **dccdtab@cdsco.nic.in** or in hard copies to the O/o DCG(I), CDSCO, FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002 for further consideration.


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