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Benefits (Rastriya Arogya Nidhi - Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund)

- Financial assistance of ■5,00,000/
- (Rs. Five lakh only) is provided towards treatment. ■ Note: Individual cases, which require assistance of more than ■5,00,000/
- will be sent to the Ministry for processing. The maximum financial assistance admissible under the Scheme will be ■15,00,000/
- ■ List of the treatments under this scheme
- ■ Radiation treatment of all kinds including Radio Therapy and Gama Knife Surgery/GRT/MRT/Brachytherapy. Anti
- Cancer Chemotherapy with supportive medication including hormonal therapy. Bone Marrow Transplantation
- Allogenic& Autologous Diagnostic Procedures
- including PET scan. Surgery for operable malignant tumours. ■

Eligibility (Rastriya Arogya Nidhi - Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund)

- Eligibility for Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund (HMCPF) within RAN : ■ The fund will provide financial assistance to patients, living below poverty line who is suffering from Cancer.
- Assistance is admissible for treatment in 27 Regional Cancer Centre(s) (RCC) only.
- Central Govt./State Govt.
- IPSU employees are not eligible for financial assistance from HMCPF.
- Grant from HMCPF would not be used where treatment /facilities for cancer treatment are available free of cost ■

Application Process (Rastriya Arogya Nidhi - Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund)

- Step 1: Download the prescribed application form (Refer Page No: 10, 11 and 12).
 - Step 2: Complete the form in the prescribed format, ensuring all required sections are accurately filled.
 - Step 3: Get the form signed and stamped by the treating doctor/ Head of Department (HOD).
 - Also, ensure it is countersigned by the Medical Superintendent of the Government hospital where the patient is receiving treatment.
 - Step 4: Once all signatures are obtained and the form is fully completed, submit the application form along with all required documents to the concerned Government hospital.
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Documents Required (Rastriya Arogya Nidhi - Health Minister's Cancer Patient Fund)

- Application form in prescribed proforma duly signed by the treating doctor and countersigned by the Medical Superintendent of the Government hospital/institute. Monthly income of the patient/parents duly certified by the Block/Mandal Development Officer/ Tehsildar/ SDM/ Special Officer of Municipal Board/ District Officer
- certifying that the beneficiary belongs to a family living below poverty line in the area of their jurisdiction indicating source of income . The original certificate is required for the purpose. Copy of the Ration Card duly attested by a Gazetted Officer with official seal. ■

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