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S. R. O. No. 433/2021

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (3) of section 33 of the Kerala Public Health Ordinance, 2021 (44 of 2021) the Government of Kerala hereby declare MUCORMYCOSIS as a notifiable disease throughout the State for the purpose of the said Ordinance.

By order of the Governor,

Dr. Rajan Namdev Khobragade, Principal Secretary to Government.



Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the Notification but is intended to indicate its general purport.)

Sub-section (3) of section 33 of the Kerala Public Health Ordinance, 2021 (44 of 2021) empowers the Government to notify any disease, communicable or otherwise, as a disease of public health importance on which data need to be collected or treatment guidelines are to be followed. In recent times a new challenge in the form of a fungal infection namely MUCORMYCOSIS has emerged and is reported in Kerala too, amongst COVID-19 patients especially those on steroid therapy and deranged sugar control. This fungal infection is leading to prolonged morbidity and mortality amongst COVID-19 patients. The treatment of this fungal infection requires multidisciplinary approach consisting of Eye Surgeons, ENT Specialists, General Surgeon, Neurosurgeon and Dental Maxillofacial Surgeon etc., and institution of Amphotericin B as an antifungal medicine. Hence Government have decided to declare MUCORMYCOSIS a notifiable disease under the Kerala Public Health Ordinance 2021 (44 of 2021).

The notification is intended to achieve the above object.

