



Gudalur Adivasi Hospital has provisions and facilities to combat any fire emergencies. All the floors of the hospital is provided with adequate fire fighting equipments and fire alarms.

The hospital has marked fire exits strategically located. The emergency exit routes are marked. Each patient room and common passages have marked directions of the exit routes to be used in the case of fire and other emergencies. Fire extinguishers and other fire fighting equipments are provided in high risk areas like the medical records room, pharmacy, store, etc.

Besides the members of the 'Fire Fighting Team' other staffs both medical and non medical are trained to react and combat in such emergencies, with the priority to protect the patients and valuable hospital equipments and assets.

The Fire Fighting Team organizes mock fire and emergency drills twice a year with the help and guidance from the local fire fighting force. All staff takes part the drill which gives emphasis of safe evacuation of the patients and occupants in the affected areas or hospital in general, as the fire fighting and containment activity is under progress.

Hospital Fire Fighting Team:

a) **During Daytime [8:00 am to 5:00 pm]:**

7.18.a.1 **Names of Team members**

Mr.Sathiyaseelan

Mr.Kannan

Mr.Eswaran

Mr.Mohan Kumar

Mr.Manikandan

b) **During Night Time [5:00 pm to 8:00 am]:**

7.18.b.1 **Names of Team members**

Mr.Haidass

Mr.Krishnadass

Mr.Kannan Billing

Mr.Sivadass

Mr.Madhan

Fire Safety Protocol:

c) **Fire Preventive Measures:**

- 1 Fire risk areas in the Hospital are identified as given below:- Generator Room; Substation; Medical Gas storage room and medical record room.
- 2 At these places, First Aid fire appliances are provided.
- 3 In case of any fire incident the following action is to be taken:- Try to put it off; Shout for help in case not being able to put it off; If it is an electrical fire, inform **Tel (9655481412)** or cutting off the power supply.
- 4 In case of fire in the hospital building and surrounding areas following action is to be taken:- Immediately try to put it off; If not extinguished ,shout to help; Switch off the electrical supply; Inform tele. nos. (9655481412) or (9488812800); Shift the patient to safer places. If fire has not been extinguished, without panic direct the patients to safer locations through fire escape route.
- 5 Use fire escape route for going out of the hospital building (Fire /Emergency escape route is drawn and displayed at all floors important locations for information of patient and staff).

Fire Fighting Instructions:

- a) The fire-fighting is an emergency requirement and this is called as **CODE RED** in this hospital it will be alerted through Public Announcement system/bell/fire alarm.
- b) Fire accidents may occur any time. If these fire accidents are not attended immediately it can cause loss to life and property. In case a fire incident is noticed at this hospital area, the following action is to be taken:-
 - 1 Try to put off electric equipment.

2 Shout for help in case assistance is required. If unable to put off inform Tel.. No : (9655481412) or (9488812800); about the type of fire and location of fire. Security Supervisor will activate “Code Red” signal and assemble the fire fighting team consisting of the following personnel on duty at this hospital. Security Supervisor will inform all the above personnel and reach the fire site without delay. If it is an electrical fire the electric supply should be switched off by informing duty electrician. Water will be used if it is confirmed as solid fire. If evacuation is required, the evacuation plan is to be activated. The Security Supervisor will maintain a record of the fire accident by noting the date, time of call and time of dousing the fire and loss of life or property if any. If the fire is not controllable the matter to be informed to civil fire station for immediate help while informing give type of fire and correct location of fire. The fire fighting team shall reach to the place of fire without delay and organize fire fighting after getting this warning of “ Code Red ”

Fire Prevention Points:

- a) Do not store inflammable materials like petrol, LPG, in the hospital building and rooms.
- b) Do not use kerosene stove, burners, gas stoves in the hospital rooms and department.
- c) The spirit lamp used in the laboratory should be placed in a safe place and put off after use.
- d) Do not use the candles / oil lamp to light the rooms department.
- e) Do not store the loose papers files and old record in card board boxes.
- f) The old record room should be properly ventilated and electrical line protected against the fire.
- g) All important departments will be provided with the first aid fire appliance.
- h) Do not leave the remains of used match stick, candles or cloth pieces etc in the floor area.
- i) Extinguish and throw these items in dust bin only.
- j) Put off electrical supply to the rooms in case any spark is noticed and inform duty electrician.
- k) While refueling the diesel tank of generator take fire precautions and do not bring any lighted material near to the refueling point.
- l) Put off all light fans and electrical equipment and remove the equipment connection from the plug while locking the room after the work.

Emergency Evacuation Plan /Emergency Exit: Ground Floor Occupants: In the event of fire or other emergencies which warrant the evacuation of patients and duty personnel, please be guided by the following evacuation plan:

- a) Alert all inmates one by one and room by room of the emergency situation without causing undue panic and commotion while informing the matter.
- b) Evacuate all the patients first with the help of stretcher, trolleys or by the wheeled cots.
- c) The medical documents of the particular patient should be sent along as well.
- d) The only route to be used for evacuation of such patients should be the hospital Staircase.
- e) ***The lifts should not be used in such situations.***
- f) Ambulatory or semi-ambulatory patients should be evacuated one by one using wheel chairs.
- g) The patient's medical documents should be sent along.
- h) Evacuation should be done in an orderly manner without causing confusion or panic.
- i) These patients will occupy the vacant beds on the other floors except the affected area.
- j) Casualty observation beds or crisis management beds on the ground floor shall also be used.
- k) The duty personnel will leave the emergency affected floor last after ensuring that all the patients, their personal belongings and medical documents are safely evacuated.

Fire Fighting Training:

- l) The Fire Fighting Team organizes mock fire and emergency drills twice a year with the help and guidance from the local fire fighting force.

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