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## USE OF 'GOV.IN' OR 'NIC.IN' DOMAINS BY GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS

- 1. Ref MoD (DoESW) letter No. MoD ID No. DS(Res-II)/02/2021 dated 23 Jun 2021, it was observed that large number of officials are using email IDs such as gmail, yahoo, hotmail, rediffmail etc instead of 'gov.in' or 'nic.in' domain, for official correspondence. As per email policy of Government of India, all employees of GOI are mandated to use e-mail IDs (gov.in/nic.in), provided by National Informatic Centre (NIC) for all official correspondence.
- 2. It has also been observed with concern that, despite of dedicated NIC email IDs (gov.in/nic.in) of key appts at Regional Centres, Polyclinics, Stn HQs, Record Offices, HQ Comd, HQ Area and HQ Sub Area, official correspondence is resorted by usage of gmail, yahoo, hotmail, rediffmail etc mail from private domains. The usages of email IDs from such private domain increase virus / cyber-attack susceptibility manifold. Furthermore, the usage of email IDs by the above mentioned agencies, other than the assigned IDs (gov.in/nic.in) would also lead to a communication gap while resolving issues wrt ECHS Beneficiaries.
- 3. Apropos, all Regional Centres, Polyclinics, Stn HQs, Record Offices, HQ Comd, HQ Area and HQ Sub Area, dealing with ECHS related issues are requested to communicate through gov.in/nic.in email IDs wef 01 Dec 2022.
- 4. For consideration and necessary action please.

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