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Dear Mission Director,

Over the past 12 years, ASHAs have played an significant role in enabling improvements in key indicators related not only to maternal and child health, but also in infectious diseases, nutrition, and in recent years in care for chronic diseases including palliative care in some contexts. This lays down an important foundation for the evolving role of community health workers in delivering comprehensive primary health care.

2. Taking cognizance of their significant contribution and commitment, the Mission Steering Group of the National Health Mission has in its meeting held on 27th February, 2018 approved a proposal to recognize ASHAs who leave /opt to leave the programme after a minimum of 10 years in the National Health Mission by granting a cash incentive of Rs. 20,000. In addition, she would also be provided with a citation by the state as an acknowledgement of her service.

3. States may make provision for this initiative by including a proposal for about 1% of the total ASHAs in the state in the supplementary PIP FY 2018-19. Concurrently, the state should also make provision to select new ASHAs in the place of those who opt to leave the programme. Selection of ASHAs should be as per the guidelines and States must ensure that motivated candidates identified through community consultation are only selected.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

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