No. Z.14018/8/2015-JSY  
Ministry of Health & Family Welfare  
Department of Family Welfare  
(JSY Section)  

Nirman Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated 3rd August 2015

To,  
Dr. P. Ashok Babu  
Mission Director (NHM),  
National Health Mission,  
Saikia Commercial Complex,  
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Subject: Clarification on ASHA entitlements for completion of antenatal component under Janani Suraksha Yojana regarding

Sir,

I am directed to refer your email dated 11th July 2015 seeking clarification on ASHA entitlements for completion of antenatal component under Janani Suraksha Yojana and to say that ASHAs are entitled for composite and uniform incentives under the JSY throughout the country @ Rs. 600 per delivery in rural areas and Rs. 400/- per delivery in urban areas. A copy of letter No. Z.14018/1/2012-JSY dated 06.02.2013 conveying this decision to all States/UTs is enclosed.

It is quite apparent from the said letter that ASHA incentives are divided into two distinct set of activities i.e. one on completion of ANC of pregnant women and the other on facilitating their institutional delivery. Thus, ASHAs are entitled to Rs. 300/- in rural areas and Rs. 200/- in urban areas on completion of antenatal check-ups of pregnant women.

However, the other component of composite ASHA incentives i.e. incentive for facilitating institutional delivery is payable only when the ASHAs accompany the pregnant women to a public health facility for delivery. Thus, even if the pregnant women deliver at home or in a private hospital, ASHAs are entitled for JSY incentive for facilitating completion of antenatal check-ups of pregnant women.

It may further be noted that ASHAs are not entitled to JSY incentive for facilitating institutional delivery i.e. Rs. 300/- in rural areas and Rs. 200/- in urban areas if the pregnant women prefer to deliver in private or accredited private health facility.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to The Mission Director, National Health Mission, All States/UTs (except Assam) for information and necessary action.