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Ms. NutanLaxmi Kudada Complainant

VS

Manipal Hospital (Amri Dhakuria).....Respondent/ Respondents

ORDER SHEET

Office Note	Order No.	Date	Order
	1.	09/04/ 2025	The complaint would relate to additional
			consultation fee charged on the review date.
			Patient was initially examined at OPD on
			February 15, 2025. The doctor prescribed
			medication as well as advised investigation. The
			patient came back with investigation reports on a
			follow up on February 28, 2025, just on the
			fifteenth day of first visit when he was charged
*			fresh consultation fee. We have examined the
			papers. On review of the investigation reportsthe
3			doctor changed the medication hence, CE was





entitledto charge fresh consultation fee. However, in the instant case, the patienthad been charged before the doctor was consulted. This is something which we discourage. If the patient comes for a follow up within fifteen days there should not be any fresh charge. However, if there is any change of advice requiring application mind by the doctor, definitely the doctor would be entitled to consultation fee.

In this case, the patient was liable to pay consultation fee. However, the facts would warrant refund of the same.

We direct the complainant to share her bank details so that money could refunded at once.

The complaint is disposed of accordingly.

Sd/The Hon'ble Chairperson





Sd/-Prof. (Dr.) Sukumar Mukherjee - Member Sd/-Prof. (Dr.) Makhan Lal Saha - Member Sd/-Dr. Maitrayee Banerjee - Member Sd/-Sri. Sutirtha Bhattacharya, IAS (Retd)- Member Sd/-Authenticated Authenticated Smt Madhabi Das – Member Secretary
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