

Guidelines to be followed for grant/renewal license to establish or maintain
Psychiatric Hospitals/Nursing Homes as per Mental Health Act 1987/ Karnataka
Mental Health Rules 2012

1. As per section (6) of Mental Health Act 1987, no person shall establish or maintain a Psychiatric Hospital /Psychiatric Nursing Home unless he holds valid license under this act. The following guidelines are to be followed to procure a license in Karnataka State.
2. According to Mental Health Act 1987 chapter 1, clause (g) of section 2 and rule 15(3) of Karnataka Mental Health Rules 2012 the Deputy Commissioners of Districts shall be the licensing authorities.
3. The application is to be submitted to the Deputy Commissioners of the concerned districts.

Form 1- Application for maintaining a psychiatric hospital/ psychiatric nursing home.

Form 2- Application for the establishment of psychiatric hospital/psychiatric nursing home.

4. License fee as under should be paid.

50 bedded Hospital/Nursing Home-	:Rs.1000/-
51-100 bedded Hospital/Nursing Home	:Rs.2000/-
More than 100 bedded Hospital/Nursing Home	:Rs. 5000/-

License fee should be drawn in favour of “Karnataka State Mental Health Authority” Bangalore in DD form and to be submitted to the Deputy Commissioners.

(later DD collected should be sent to the office of The Secretary, Karnataka State Mental Health Authority, No-125, Centenary Building, Victoria Hospital, Bangalore- 560002)

5. After receipt of application the licensing authority will make enquires deemed fit to ascertain the suitability through Inspecting officers as per rule 32 of Karnataka Mental Health Rules 2012

6. Inspecting officers will visit and if satisfied that applicant fulfill the condition laid down in clause (a) (b) (c) of section 8 of Mental Health Act 1987 and Karnataka Mental Health Rules 2012 will issue letter to licensing authorities for granting the license.
7. If licensing authority is satisfied that the psychiatric hospital / nursing home is with the minimum facilities prescribed, license can be sanctioned in the prescribed form, if it is not satisfactory can be rejected with a suitable order .
8. Also the Authority which declines the license can give full opportunity for the applicant to represent his /her grievances and give the reasons for each and every aspect for denial of license.
9. Any Person aggrieved by the order of the licensing authority refusing to grant or renew a license or revoking a license may prefer an appeal to the State Government with in 60days from as per rule 21 of Karnataka Mental Health Rules 2012.