No. EDN-HE(PS/DHE)-Misc-04/2020-Directorate of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1

Dated: Shimla-1, the 9th June 2020

To

The Principal(s)/Headmaster(s)
All Govt./Pvt. Colleges, GSSSs, GHS in HP

Subject: -

Instructions regarding use of WhatsApp groups

Memo;

The department has taken an initiative to create WhatsApp groups of all the educational institution to facilitate the employees/students to connect with the day-to-day activities and for the delivery of online study material of all classes.

In this context, it has been observed by the undersigned that many members of the WhatsApp groups used to post just Good morning, Good evening and other irrelevant messages/videos even in odd hours i.e. late night or early in the morning which creates unnecessarily burden on mind of other group members. In many cases, it leads to the mental torture and it is observed that the female employees/WhatsApp group members are facing awkward position before their family. This has also been brought to the notice of the undersigned by some female employees of the department.

It is, therefore, directed that in the official WhatsApp groups, only departmental information be shared and another irrelevant messages/videos may be strictly avoided. Dignity and self respect of all the employees be respected at all levels.

These instructions may be adhered in letter and spirit. Any deviation in this regard shall be view seriously and the departmental proceeding be contemplated against the defaulter under the relevant rules.

(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma) Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1

Endorsement No. Even, Dated: Shimla-1, the 9th June 2020 Copy for information and further necessary action to;

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of HP, Shimla-1

2. All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education in HP

3. All the Deputy Directors of Education (Inspection) in HP

Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1