

**IMMEDIATE**

No:-4-F/2014(1)-SOM-Wel(PWD)-II - 114/6-96  
Directorate of S.C., O.B.C. & Minority Affairs,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171009.

Dir, Higher Education  
Shimla-01

To

- (1) All the Head of Departments in Himachal Pradesh.
- (2) All the MDs of Corporations, Boards in Himachal Pradesh.
- (3) All the Registrars of Universities in Himachal Pradesh.
- (4) All the Deputy Commissioners in H.P.

Dated, the Shimla-171009.

Subject:-

Regarding barrier free access to all public building and transportation to the Persons with Disabilities.

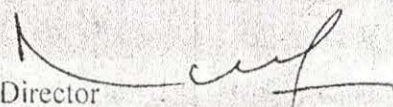


Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that section 44 to 46 of the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights & Full Participation) Act, 1995 emphasis on the barrier free access to persons with disabilities on road, in build environment and in transport. It is mandatory to all the establishment, appropriate Government and local authorities to take action for providing easy accessibility for persons with disabilities in a non-discriminatory manner.

The matter has already been taken up by time this department repeatedly to implements these provisions of the Act in letter and spirit. Sh. Thaawarchand Gehlot, Minister of Social Justice & Empowerment, Government of India vide his D.O. letter 4-5(1)-2014-DD-I dated 08<sup>th</sup> July, 2014 has reiterating the need for implementing the above provisions of the Act by taking appropriate measures in concrete and time bound manner for incorporating the barrier free access in all public building and transportation. The copy of the letter is enclosed herewith and you are again requested to take immediate action to make barrier free access in public building and transportation to Persons with Disabilities.

Yours faithfully,

  
Director  
Directorate of S.C., O.B.C. & Minority Affairs,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171009.

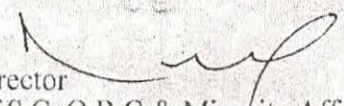
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Copy to the Pr. Secretary (SJ&E) to the Government of H.P. w.r.t. his office letter No. SJE-F-(10)8/2009-I dated 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2014 for information please.

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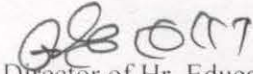


Directorate of Hr. Education  
Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. EDN-H(1)B(15)1/2009- Imp. Instt. Dated Shimla - 171001 the  
Copy for information and further necessary action is forwarded to :-

16/10/2014

1. The Director, Directorate of S.C., O.B.C. & Minority Affairs, H.P. Shimla-171009 w.r.t. letter referred above.
2. The Additional Director of Hr. Education ( Admn.), H.P.
3. The Addl. Director Director of Hr. Education (S) , H.P.
4. The Joint Director of Hr. Education, C-I/ C-II, H.P.
5. The Joint Controller (F&A), Dte. of Hr. Education, H.P.
6. The OSD(C)/ OSD(Skt.) Directorate of Hr. Education, H.P.
7. All the Principals of Govt. Degree Colleges/GCTE Dharamshala & Skt. in the H.P.
8. All Deputy Directors, Dte. of Hr. Education, H.P.
9. All the Deputy Directors of Hr. Education in the Pradesh with the directions to circulate the said instruction to concerned Institutions /offices working under your control.
10. The PS to the Director of Higher Education, H.P.
11. All the Superintendents/Branch Officers in the Directorate of Hr. Education, H.P.
- ✓ 12. The Incharge Computer Cell, Dte. of Hr. Education, H.P with the remarks to **upload the said orders on the deptt. Website.**
13. Guard File.

  
Director of Hr. Education  
Himachal Pradesh



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MINISTER OF  
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT  
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
SHASTRI BHAWAN, NEW DELHI-110 115

08 July, 2014

Respected Shri Virbhadra Singh ji,

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As you are aware the Persons with Disabilities (Equal Opportunities, Protection of Rights and Full Participation of Rights) Act, 1995 mandates *inter alia* provision of barrier free access for the Persons with Disabilities both in transport, and built environment/roads. The following Sections may be specifically quoted:

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Section-44: To support activities relating to non-discrimination in transports such as adaptability of rail compartments, buses, vessels, waiting rooms etc.(To the extent transport services are provided by State Governments or their PSUs);

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Section-45: To support for barrier free access and non-discrimination on roads such as installation of auditory signal, devising appropriate symbols of disability, warning signals at appropriate places etc.

Section-46: To provide barrier free environment for the persons with disabilities which include access to build environment in offices and public buildings, health centres/hospitals, rehabilitation centres etc. It includes provisions for ramps, rails, lifts, adaptation of toilets for wheelchair users, brail symbols and auditory signals, tactile indications etc.

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2. Further, as a signatory to the UN Convention on Rights of Persons with Disability also, our country is under obligation to provide barrier free access in buildings, work places, roads, transports and outdoor facilities etc.

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3. The Govt. of India from time to time has been reiterating the need for meticulous implementation of the provisions/obligations cited above and have issued directions to State Govts./UTs to this effect. Letter No. 16-66/2013-DD.III dated 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2013 addressed to the Chief Ministers/Administrators of all the States/UTs and letter No. 16-1/2014 DD-I dated 19.6.2014 from Shri Awanish Kumar Awasthi, Joint Secretary, Department of Disability Affairs addressed to all Secretaries/ Principal Secretaries of the States/UTs may be referred to in this regard.

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4. I would like to once again request that suitable directions may be given to all concerned for taking appropriate measures in concrete and time-bound manner for incorporation of barrier free access to all public buildings and transportation. Similar provisions may be considered to be made in local municipal/building bye-laws in your State.

Yours sincerely,

  
08.07.2017  
(Thaawarchand Gehlot)

Shri Virbhadra Singh,  
Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh,  
Shimla.