No. EDN-H (21) A (1) PS- 14/2016-(Court Matter)

Directorate of Higher Education

Himachal Pradesh

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Dated: Shimla-171001,

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August, 2016

To

All the Dy. Director of Higher (Education),

Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: -

Proceedings of the meeting regarding NDPS cases in compliance of order dated 18-07-2016, 26-07-2016, 28-07-2016 held on 06-08-2016 at 3:00 P.M. under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (Home)..

Please find enclosed herewith letter No. Home-E-(5)-2-3035/2008 dated 11-08-2016 alongwith enclosures, received from the Principal Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh vide letter no EDN-B-Ga(10)04/2015 dated 18-08-2016 on the subject cited above.

In this regard, it is informed that as per the meeting regarding NDPS held on 06/08/2016 at 3:00 P.M under the Chairmanship of Special Secreatry (Home) to the Govt. of H.P. and in compliance of the Hon'ble High Court orders dated: 18-07-2016, 26-07-2016, 28-07-2016 & 02-08-2016 it was discussd to issue directions to all HOD's of Educational institutions in the State to ensure that such institutions are drug free, and sensitize the issue and make vide publicity to curb the menace of drug abuse. Further, special campaign has also been ordered to be organized regarding prevention of drug abuse by associating the students. These directions are also applicable to Private educational institutions.

In view of all of the above, you are hereby directed to issue necessary instructions to all the Heads of the Private Institutions under your control to take appropriate action in the matter accordingly under intimation th this department.

Treat it as Most Urgent High Court Matter.

Director of Higher Education

Himachal Pradesh

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Copy to forwarded for information and further necessary action to:-

The Principal Secretary (Education) Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2 w.r.t. his letter No. EDN-B-Ga(10)04/2015 dated 18-08-2016.

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Incharge, IT Cell.

Director of Higher Education

· Himachal Pradesh

Most Urgent High Court Matter

Home-E-(5)-2-3035/2008 Government of Himachal Pradesh Department of Home (Section-E)

To

- 1. The Addl. Chief Secretary (Revenue) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
- 2. The Addl. Chief Secretary (UD) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
- 3. The Pr. Secretary (Health) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
- 4. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
 - 5. The Secretary (RD&PR) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
 - 6. The Secretary (Excise & Taxation) to the Government of H.P. Shimla-2
 - 7. The Director General of Police, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2

Dated Shimla-2

11-8-2016.

Subject:-

Proceedings of the meeting regarding NDPS cases in compliance of order dated 18-7-2016, 26-7-2016 & 28-7-2016 & held on 4-8-2016 at 12.30 P.M. under the chairmanship of worthy Chief Secretary to the Govt. of H.P.

Sir.

I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the proceedings of the meeting regarding NDPS cases in compliance of orders dated 18-7-2016, 26-7-2016 & 28-7-2016 held on 4-8-2016 at 12.30 P.M. with the request to take further necessary action on the directions passed by the Hon'ble High Court pertaining to your department(s) immediately under intimation to this department.

Yours faithfully,

Encls:- As above.

(Yogesh Kumar Sood) Under Secretary (Home) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh. Telephone No. 0177-2880-844.

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PROCEEDINGSOF THE MEETING REGARDING NDPS CASES IN COMPLIANCE OF ORDER DATED 18-7-2016, 26-7-2016 & 28-7-2016 HELD ON 4-8-2016 AT, 12.30 P.M. UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF CHIEF SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF HIMACHAL PRADESH.

The following were present:-

- 1. Shri Tarun Shridhar, Addl. Chief Secretary (Revenue)
- 2. Dr. Rakesh Kumar, Secretary (Education)
- 3. Shri Sanjay Kumar, Director General of Police, H.P.
- 4. Shri Naresh Thakur, Joint Secretary (UD).
- 5. Yogesh Kumar Sood, Under Secretary (Home)
- 6. Mala Rana, Under Secretary (Excise & Taxation)
- 7. Shri Giriraj Singh, DETC (Legal)

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- 8. Shri Sanjay Chauhan, Dy. District Attorney (Home).
- 1. At the outset, the Pr. Secretary (Home) welcomed the worthy Chief Secretary and other participants. It was informed that Hon'ble High Court has passed three orders on 18-7-2016, 26-7-2016 & 28-7-2016 which was circulated amongst the participants.
- 2. It was brought to the notice that various directions has been issued by the Hon'ble High Court in its orders dated 18-7-2016, 26-7-2016 & 28-7-2016. Further, it was also informed that most of the directions contained in the aforesaid three orders have been complied with by giving directions to all the SPs/SOs/SHOs and IOs etc.
- 3. During the course of deliberations, the Additional Chief Secretary (Revenue) pointed out that specific action to be taken by the Revenue Department may be brought to his notice so that the same could be complied with. It was also decided that a committee consisting of I.G. (Law & Order), Joint Secretary (Education),

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Deputy Secretary (Revenue), Under Secretary (Health), Under Secretary (Excise & Taxation) and Deputy District Attorney (Home) be constituted under the chairmanship of Special Secretary (Home) to discuss the aforesaid orders so that orders of the Hon'ble High Court be complied by the concerned Departments.

4. The Director General of Police suggested to create a Special Investigation Unit for investigation of NDPS cases instead of constituting a Special Task Force. Therefore, it was decided that the Director General of Police will sent a proposal to the Home Department for creation of Special Investigation Unit.

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6. The worthy Chief Secretary also suggested to immediately inform the DCs & SPs in case any information with respect to abuse of drug is received even by way of sending SMS to the concerned DCs & SPs. Thereafter the concerned authorities will act immediately.

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As desired, the meeting held in the Office of worthy Chief Secretary today was attended. Recent judgments of Hon'ble High Court in few cases related to MDPS Act, 1968 were discussed in this meeting where Addl. Chief Secretary (Personnel), Principal Secretary (Home) and DGP were also present amongst others.

Hon'ble High Court has in the State of H.P vs Devi Singh (Cr.A No: 430 of 2011) vide orders dated 26.7.2016 observed as under:-

"All the Heads of the educational institutions throughout the State of Himachal Pradesh are directed to ensure that their institutions are drug-free. Superintendents of Police throughout the State of Himachal Pradesh are directed to place officers in plain clothes in the vicinity of the educational institutions to nab the drug peddlers".

In a meeting held last month at Bilaspur, many Principals and HMs raised the issue related to prevalence of drug related issues in the schools. The concerns expressed by Principals and HMs were shared in the meeting and it was decided as under:-

- a. Appropriate directions should be issued to the Heads of education to ensure that institutions are drug-free.
- b. Parents should also be involved to keep a watch over drug related incidents in the schools. Help of SMCs can be sought in this regard.
- c. Heads of the institutions and teachers should be advised to inform Deputy Commissioners, Superintendent Police and SHOs telephonically and through SMS immediately in case some drug related activities in and around the school campus comes to their notice.
- d. Awareness campaign be launched in the schools to apprise and sensitize the students, parents and community about the evil effects of drugs. Contests and other related activities like posters declamations etc. should be organized in schools each month.

We may forward a copy of this note sheet to Directors Higher Education and Elementary Education to issue suitable guidelines and ensure further appropriate action by Head of Institutions.

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