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To

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh

Subject:- *Regarding incident of rape and murder of a minor girl student of 10<sup>th</sup> class at Kotkhai, District Shimla.*

Memo,

*Reference is invited to the letter No.WCD-SCPS-33/15-Vol.II-5691 dated 25-07-2017, received from the Director, Women and Child Development, Himachal Pradesh and in continuation to this Directorate letter of even number dated 14-07-2017 wherein, in view of aforementioned incident and heinous crime against minor girl, which warrants stringent measures to be taken to ensure protection of children from sexual offences and such crimes. To combat with such incidents in future, the following guidelines are suggested to provide safe and congenial environment to protect the rights of school children/ students from all forms of abuse:-*

- a) Self defense and life skill education be imparted in Schools to deal such challenges and to promote physical, mental and emotional well being.*
- b) In the morning assembly students should be given tips about the protection by way of sharing experiences and best practices on child protection, especially girls. The students may be guided to move to their places of residence in groups.*
- c) Parents / guardians should be guided and sensitized about the security of their wards. The security issues should be discussed during monthly meetings School Management Committee and teachers. The School Management Committee should also discussed the protection issues in the meetings and ensure the security of girls students in and outside the school premises.*
- d) Child toll free No. 1098 should be permanently displayed in the school on conspicuous prominent places and students should be trained to contact this number in case of any emergency and difficult circumstances.*

*In view of aforementioned guidelines, necessary directions/ instructions may be circulated to all the Educational Institutions (Including privately managed*

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educational institutions) under your administrative control to ensure the compliance of the  
aforementioned directions/ instructions in letter and spirit.



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Endst. No. Even dated Shimla-1 the August, 2017  
Copy for information and necessary action is forwarded to:-

1. The Director, Women and Child Development, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1, w.r.t. aforementioned letter number and date.
- ✓ 2. The Incharge, IT Cell, with the direction to upload the same on the Departmental website.
3. Guard file.



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