## GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: SCHOOL BRANCH OLD SECRETARIAT: DELHI-110054.

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## CIRCULAR

## Sub: Measures for making Schools 'Tobacco Free Zones'.

We all are aware that tobacco is a major cause of deaths in India, surpassing the combined total deaths caused by Malaria, Dengue, TB & HIV/AIDS etc. In order to make all the Schools 'Tobacco Free Zones', all the Heads of Govt./Govt. Aided/Unaided Recognised School are directed to ensure that:

- School Health Scheme (SHS) Nodal Officer will be nominated from each school as Nodal Officer for 'Tobacco Free Zone'.
- 'Tobacco Free Zone' boards are displayed at prominent places in school premises.
- 'No Smoking' signage boards as per Delhi State Tobacco Control Cell specifications, along with the name & contact details of Nodal Officer are displayed at prominent places in school premises.
- The Information, Education & Communication (IEC) materials, if any, sent by the Health Department shall be displayed appropriately in the school premises.
- To sensitise the students about the ill effects of tobacco awareness activities in the form
  of a talk in the morning assembly shall be provided.
- The programmes suggested by Health Department based on anti tobacco themes may be included in school level competitions organised from time to time.
- SMC members may be involved & encouraged to sensitize parents and other members
  of the community about ill effects of tobacco.
- If any tobacco product is being sold within 100 metres of the school premises, a written
  request to the area SHO/MCD authorities shall be made by the Head of School to get it
  removed.

This issues with the prior approval of the Competent Authority.

29/11/16.

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## All Heads of Schools under Directorate of Education through DEL-E

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- 1. PS to Secretary (Education).
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- All RDEs/ DDEs (District/Zone)/DEOs for information.
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Dated: 29/04/20/6

(Usha Rani) DDE (School)