

**PERSONAL ATTENTION
IMPORTANT
REMINDER-VII**

No.EDN-H(EE)(6)4-11/2021-22 Caste Discrimination
Directorate of Elementary Education,
Himachal- Pradesh
Dated: Shimla - 171001, the January, 2023

प्रारम्भिक शिक्षा निदेशालय (हि.प्र.)
18 JAN 2023
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To

1. All Deputy Directors (Elementary Education) Himachal Pradesh.
2. All Deputy Directors (Higher Education) Himachal Pradesh (Yna)
3. All Block Elementary Education Officers Himachal Pradesh

Subject: - No discrimination with school children on the basis of religion, caste, creed and gender in the schools under PM Poshan Programme.

Sir/Madam,

In continuation of this Directorate letter of even No. dated 07-01-2013 and subsequent reminders dated 16-11-2015, 16-12-2015, 26-2-2016, 18-06-2016 and 13-10-2016, 16-12-2016, 16-08-2017, 15-09-2017, 25-11-2017, 19-03-2018, 11-09-2018, 17-01-2019, 03-08-2019, 26-10-2019, 26-02-2020 last being dated 02-02-2021 vide which detailed instructions/reminders have been issued to you for discouraging any discrimination with the school children on the basis of religion, caste, creed and gender while serving MDM to the school students in the schools under PM Poshan programme. In this context, it is once again reiterated that you may be aware that some incidents of discrimination with the school children on the basis of above said factors are reported from schools from time to time while serving mid day meal to the school students in the schools in the State. In this regard, it is, therefore, once again emphasized upon that PM Poshan programme must be used as a vehicle for inculcation for good habits, discipline and spirit of social equality among school children and there should not be any discrimination and segregation amongst school children while serving MDM to them in the schools on the basis of caste, creed, gender and religion, since the MDMS guidelines also stipulate that the community members, teachers and authorities of the Department must ensure that children must eat MDM together in an orderly manner **strictly on Roll No basis** in a spirit of camaraderie in the schools. However, if any Government official/ public is indulged & found in such kind of act, the matter will be viewed seriously and stern disciplinary action will be initiated against the erring Government officials/ persons as warranted under the law.

These instructions may be issued to all schools for necessary compliance and send monthly report to this Directorate accordingly in time. It is also directed that Toll free number 1800-180-8007 installed in the Directorate may be publicized by displaying it in the school premises at a visible place so that anyone can register complaint/ suggestions in r/o PM Poshan Scheme. You are also directed to make ensure that give wide publicity among School Management Committees and general public as well, so that the people an stakeholders are aware in this regard and any aggrieved person can intimate his grievances on **Toll-free number 1800-180-8007** in the Directorate of Elementary Education from **10:00 AM to 5:00 PM** on any working day. However, this Toll free number can also be displayed & printed in all school premises.

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This may be treated as most urgent and personal attention be given in the matter please.

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Endst.No. Even Dated Shimla-171001 the January, 2023

Copy for information to:-

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002 .
2. The Director, PM Poshan Scheme, Government of India, MHRD, Department of School Education and Literacy Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi -110115.
3. The Director, Higher Education Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001 with the request to issue similar instructions to all DDHE's, Principals, GSSSs & Headmasters GHs in the State.
4. Guard file.

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कार्यालय उप शिक्षा निदेशक उच्चतर
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प्रतिलिपि:-

- 1 शिक्षा निदेशक प्रारम्भिक हिमाचल प्रदेश शिमला को सूचनार्थ प्रेषित है ।
- 2 समस्त प्रधानाचार्य/मुख्याध्यापक रा0व0मा0पा0/उच्च पाठशालाएं जिला ऊना को सूचनार्थ एवं आवश्यक कार्यवाही हेतु प्रेषित है तथा निर्देश दिए जाते हैं कि पत्र के अनुसार कार्यवाही की जाए ।

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