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SUB: Spl-DME (TS) – Declared Tobacco free in their respect^{ive} institutions - instructions issued -Reg.

REF: Letter from Dr. Mahaboob Shaik Subhani, State programme Officer, Telangana & Puducherry School of Public Health, PGIMER, Chandigarh.

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Principals of Govt. Medical Colleges / Directors of RIMS, Director Government Medical College, Mahabubnagar, Principal, Govt. Dental College and Hospital, Hyderabad/ Supdts of Teaching Hospitals under the Control of Director of Medical Education T.S, Hyderabad are hereby instructed to declared their institutions as Tobacco free institutions for effective implementation of Tobacco control legislation as per national guidelines and the institutions are declared as Tobacco free Institutions and also submit self declaration to State Tobacco Cell (Directorate of Health & Family Welfare) that there is no sale of tobacco products in the premises, 'no smoking boards' has been placed at strategic sites in the institute, no signs of direct and indirect smoking (cigarette of bidi butts, ash trays etc).

This is for strict compliance.

Dr. Mahaboob Shaik Subhani
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Director of Medical Education

To

The Principals, Government Medical Colleges under the control of DME.
The Directors of RIMS, *Adilabad.*
The Director, Government Medical College, Mahabubnagar,
The Principal, Govt. Dental College & Hospital, Hyderabad,
The Superintendents of Teaching Hospitals under the control of DME,

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Dr.K.Ramesh Reddy,
Director of Medical Education,
Directorate of Health and Family welfare,
Hyderabad.

Dear Dr Ramesh Reddy,

Greetings from the School of Public health, PGIMER, Chandigarh.

We are pleased to share with you that we are implementing a project to strengthen policy and institutional framework of National Tobacco Control Program in state of Telangana through Capacity building, MPOWER implementation and monitoring, enactment of FCTC Article 5.3 policy and provide support to National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP). In the next two years, with support from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India and the Bloomberg Initiative, through International Union against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease, School of Public Health, PGIMER, Chandigarh and our local partner Indian Institute of Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)-Hyderabad, we aims at establishing an institutional framework for tobacco control in Rangareddy, Medak, Sangareddy, Medchal-Malkajgiri and Yadadri-Bhongiri districts of Telangana; build capacity on technical and operational aspects of tobacco control and National Tobacco Control Programme (NTCP); effectively implement tobacco control policies under tobacco control legislation named Cigarette and Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA); establishing effective tobacco control coalitions and networks; and developing an effective monitoring and evaluation plan for effective implementation of NTCP in Telangana.

Sir, we are happy to partner with you, along with our state partner Indian Institute of Public Health Foundation of India (PHFI)-Hyderabad, and other stakeholders in the state to work towards reducing prevalence of tobacco use. We look forward to this opportunity of working closely with the Department of Health, Government of Telangana in developing state and district level capacity for implementing of tobacco control measures and enhance the politico-administrative commitment for tobacco control.

In this regards, I request you to support tobacco control program by writing DO letters to different Medical Educational Institutes of the State of Telangana to declare their institutions as "**Tobacco Free Institution**" for effective implementation of tobacco control legislation as per national guidelines. The institutions should send a **self- declaration** to State Tobacco Cell (Directorate of Health& Family welfare) that there is no sale of tobacco products in the premises, 'no smoking boards' has been placed at strategic sites in the institute, no signs of direct and indirect smoking (cigarette or bidi butts, ash trays etc.) and other activities as enlisted in the guide attached. It should be send through a mail to npcdcsts@gmail.com by marking a copy to DME. I along with my staff from PGIMER and our project partner from IIPH will be happy to come and discuss the priority areas in tobacco control with you in person.

Thanking you in advance for your support and cooperation!

Thanks and best regards,

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