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From

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To

- 1. All Deputy Commissioners in Haryana.
- 2. All Civil Surgeons in Haryana .

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Sub : Regarding ban on Loose Cigarette under section 7 of COTPA ,Act 2003


In reference to the subject cited above.

As you know that COTPA Act 2003 regulation and implementation programme in Haryana State is taking a burning subject in Hon'ble Supreme Court of India , New Delhi . Number of persons died and suffering form chronic disease like various types of Cancers , Oral Cancer , Asthma, Heart Attack , Ulcer etc due to direct smoking or Second Hand Smoking 2200 Indians die daily, 8 lakhs yearly and 55 lakh people globally . Rather Government of India is taking serious steps to prevent deaths due to these disease by starting programmes of awareness and treatment packages. Even 12 drug de-addiction centres are also working in state to make people healthy and disease free. As we see in world wide scenario , position is very pathetic . We can cure it some how but without prevention or without awareness at root level we can't make our society tobacco free or disease free.

You are in the top most position in respective district and you are fully responsible to check and comment on your position regarding implementation and regulation of COTPA Act 2003 for its various section like Section-4 regarding Smoke Free Public Area , Section-5 regarding direct and in-direct advertisement for Tobacco products Section-6(a) prohibition of sale of tobacco products to minors and Section 6(b) Prohibition of sale of Tobacco Products 100 yards of Educational Institutions, and above all under Section-7 regarding this , there must be health pictorial warning on each packing of cigarette and according to this there must be ban on sale of loose cigarette to protect health of youth .

So, you are once again requested to do the needful and inform this office accordingly and timely . Basically monthly status of your respective district through your Nodal Officers Tobacco on prescribed Performa . So that consolidated report should be sent to Government on time and their should be strict implementation of section -7 i.e sale of loose cigarette , bidies and other tobacco products in Haryana State .

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