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Dated: Shimla-171001 the **04 SEP 2024**, 2024

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh. *Kangra*

School subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during  
festivals -reg.

Please find enclosed herewith the Copy of letter No. EDUB-A04/1/2024-  
EDU-B dated:- 20-08-2024 received from Secretary, (Education) to the Government of Himachal  
Pradesh Shimla-2, on the subject cited above.

In this connection, you are hereby directed to circulate the same to all the  
Principals /Headmasters of Government Schools & Private Schools in your respective District for  
further necessary action, under intimation to this Directorate, so that action taken report can be sent  
to the Government of India well in time.

*[Signature]*  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh

Ends, No. Even Dated: Shimla-171001 the August, 2024

Copy for information to:-

1. The Secretary, (Education) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh Shimla-2 for information please.
2. The Chairperson Government of India, National Commission for protection of Child Rights,  
New Delhi.
3. Guard File.

*[Signature]*  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh

Office of the Deputy Director of Higher Education  
Kangra at Dharamshala.

Endst. No. EDN-KGR (Misc.) 2022

Dated:

Copy forwarded to:-

1. All the Principal/Headmasters of GSSSs/GHSs and Private schools of Distt. Kangra for  
further necessary compliance as per above direction to do needful and send the reports to  
this office.
2. I.T. incharge (internal) to upload this on website.
3. Guard file.

Dy. Director of  
Higher Education  
**17 SEP 2024**  
Sept., 2024  
Dispatch No. **6447-48**  
Kangra at Dharamshala

*[Signature]*  
Deputy Director of Higher Education,  
Kangra at Dharamshala

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From

The Secretary (Education) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

To

1. The Director, Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001
2. The Director, Elementary Education,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

Dated: Shimla-171002.

20-8-2024

**Subject: - School subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during festivals - reg.**

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a photocopy of letter No.25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU/DD29316 dated 08.08.2024, received from the Chairperson, Government of India, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights, New Delhi, on the subject cited above and to request you to issue necessary direction in the matter as suggested by Government of India and send the compliance report to Commission, under intimation to this department accordingly.

~~Sh. Bal Chandra~~  
Sh. Parshuram  
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27/08/2024

Yours faithfully,

*(Signature)*  
(Anil Kumar)  
Under Secretary (Hr.Edu) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

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F. No. 25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU  
Date- 08/08/2024

To,

Principal Secretaries of School Education Department of all States/UTs (as per the enclosed list)

Subject- Schools subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during festivals\_reg.

Madam/Sir,

The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Commission') is a statutory body constituted under Section 3 of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005 to protect the rights of children and address other related matters in the Country. The Commission is further mandated to monitor the proper and effective implementation of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012; Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Right to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

2. Over the years, it has been observed by the Commission through various news reports that children are subject to harassment and discrimination by the school teachers and other staff on account of celebration of festivals. It has been noticed that schools do not allow children to wear rakhi or tilak or mehandi in schools during the festivals such as Raksha Bandhan and subject them to harassment, both physical and mental. It may be noted that corporal punishment is prohibited in schools under Section 17 of the RTE Act, 2009. A letter in this regard was issued on 30.08.2023.

3. As the festivals are approaching, it is requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities and ensure that schools do not observe any such practice that may expose children to corporal punishment or discrimination.

4. A compliance report may kindly be shared with the Commission along with the copy of order issued in this regard latest by 17.08.2024.

Yours sincerely,

  
(Priyank Kanoongo)

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