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Directorate of School Education
Himachal Pradesh

Dated: Shimla-171001 the February, 2026

All the Deputy Directors of School Education (Elementary/Secondary)
Himachal Pradesh

Deputy Director of
School Education (Sec)
To
24 FEB 2026
Diary No. 1118-
Kangra at Dharamshala

Subject:-

Strict compliance of Hon'ble Supreme Court directions regarding menstrual hygiene facilities in all educational institutions.

Sir;

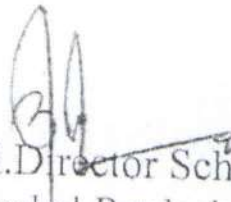
With reference to the subject cited above, your kind attention is invited to the judgment and directions issued by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in W.P.(C) No. 1000/2022 dated 30.01.2026, wherein the Hon'ble Court has categorically held that the right to menstrual hygiene is an integral part of the right to life under Article 21 of the Constitution of India.

The Hon'ble Supreme Court has issued a series of binding directions to all States/Union Territories and educational institutions, both Government and private, to ensure dignity, health and equality for adolescent girls.

In this regard, you are therefore directed issue necessary instructions to all the Heads of Educational Institutions under your jurisdiction and to ensure that the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court are **strictly implemented and complied with by all Heads of Educational Institutions** government, government-aided, residential, and private schools. The key directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court are as under:-

- (1) Provision of functional, hygienic, and gender-segregated toilets with adequate water facilities, ensuring privacy and dignity for all students, including students with disabilities.
- (2) Free availability of oxo-biodegradable sanitary napkins to all girl students studying in Classes VI to XII, preferably through sanitary napkin vending machines or where such installation is not immediately feasible, at a designated place or with a designated authority within the school.
- (3) Establishment of Menstrual Hygiene Management (MHM) corners in every school, including spare innerwear, spare uniforms, disposable bags and other necessary materials to address menstruation-related needs.
- (4) Installation of safe, hygienic, and environmentally compliant mechanisms for the disposal of sanitary napkins, in accordance with the Solid Waste Management Rules.
- (5) Conduct of regular inspections to ensure that the required infrastructure and facilities are in place and functional.

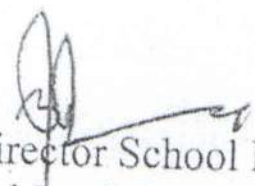
You are further directed to ensure that a compliance report shall be submitted to this office within the stipulated time for onward review and monitoring. Any lapse or non-compliance shall be viewed seriously and dealt with in accordance with law and the directions of the Hon'ble Supreme Court.


Addl. Director School Education
Himachal Pradesh
the February, 2026

Endst. No. Even dated Shimla-171001
Copy for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Nodal Officer-IT Cell, Directorate of School Education, H.P, Shimla-1 with the remarks to E.mail the same please.
2. Guard file.

Directorate of School Education
21 FEB 2026
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001


Addl. Director School Education
Himachal Pradesh

Office of the Deputy Director of School Education (Secondary),
Kangra at Dharamshala.

Deputy Director of
School Education (Sec)
25 FEB 2026
Dispatch No. 20413-15
Kangra at Dharamshala

Endst. No. EDN-KGR (Misc.) 2024

Dated: Dharamshala

February, 2026

Copy forwarded to:-

1. The Director of School Education H.P. Shimla for information please.
2. All the Principal/Headmaster GSSSs/GHSs of Distt. Kangra for further necessary compliance as per above direction and send to the report to this office within the stipulated time. So that the same could be sent to higher authority.
3. I.T. incharge (internal) to upload this on website.
4. Guard file.


Deputy Director School Education (Secondary)
Kangra at Dharamshala