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On the occasion of the 73rd Independence Day Hon’ble Prime Minister has urged the nation to make India free from Single Use Plastic. A nation-wide campaign will be launched on 2nd October, 2019 towards making India free from ‘Single Use Plastic’ (SUP).

As we know, SUP drastically impacts the environment in a harmful way. SUP includes plastic bags, Styrofoam cups and plastic cutlery like plates, spoons etc., After usage these SUPs are mostly dumped on land-fill sites, choking the water supply and drainage system and damaging the environment due to its non-biodegradability.

In this regard it is suggested as under:-

- Awareness among teachers, students and officials and families must be created through the students about the need to discourage SUP and encourage alternative means.
- Encourage children and teachers to write songs, poems, jingles and essays etc. discouraging the use of SUP. The children may be encouraged to sing these songs.
- Any official functions or meeting in the school shall not make use of SUP.

It is therefore enjoined upon all the Heads of the Govt/Govt. aided/unaided primary/middle/secondary/higher secondary & special schools to conduct awareness campaigns for students and teachers to avoid the usage of SUP within and outside the school premises and also to conduct a ‘Shramdan’ from 11th September to 2nd October, 2019 for ensuring plastic free schools. Schools are to tie up with local bodies in rural or urban areas for collection of plastic waste generated if any.

It is requested to share good quality photos and videos of the campaign on the Google drive shared earlier for Swachhta Pakhwada.

This is with the approval of Director of Education.

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Dy. Director of Education( Acad)

To,
The Heads of all Govt./Govt. Aided /Unaided Primary, Middle, Secondary/Higher Secondary & Special Schools in the State of Goa.
Copy to:-

1. The Jt. Secretary (SS &I) to the Govt. of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of School Education & Literacy, IS-9 Section, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
2. The State Project Director, Goa Samagra Shiksha, Porvorim-Goa.
3. The Dy. Director of Education, North/South/Central Educational Zone, Mapusa/Margao/Panaji-Goa.
4. The ADEIs of all Talukas.
5. The Nodal Officer, I.T. for uploading on the website of this Directorate