All Heads of Schools Affiliated to CBSE

Subject: Screening of film ‘Komal’ and spreading awareness of POCSO E-Box Reg:

Childhood is the primary stage of life. It knows no worry or anxiety, no good or evil. It is the period of both ignorance and innocence. Teachers, parents and all concerned adults, should all try to keep children safe from any kind of abuse. Within our different areas of responsibility, guided by policy, legislation and experience, we should take steps to provide what is best for children. One important step in this regard can be equipping and empowering children at the right age.

Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India had commissioned a short animated film (Komal) which has also won the national film award in the category of “best educational film” to create awareness among school children about inappropriate touch. This film is uploaded and available at CBSE youtube channel. The CBSE has informed schools vide Notification dated 24th October 2015 regarding this film before as well. The URLs on which this movie is available as under:

- Komal (English) = https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3WyHuHspbjk
- Komal (Hindi) = https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Sf18D5hCMa8

The school may download the film or may stream it live from the links given above, preferably at the time of whole school assembly. It is expected that the schools will ensure that every child of the school views this instructive and informative film so that they are in a better position to help and protect not just themselves but also their friends in any such situation, if occurs.

Besides, this POCSO E-Box has been developed by NCPCR. POCSO E-Box facilitates for easy and direct reporting of sexual offences against children and by children themselves so that action offenders can be taken under POCSO Act, 2012. The schools are requested to take following steps/actions to popularize the E-Box on POCSO:

- Parents are made aware about the E-Box on POCSO and Child Abuse in Parent Teacher Meeting.
- Information on E-Box should be placed on notice board/school magazine/walls of the school.
- School counsellors should be made aware about the E-Box.
- Students should also be briefed about the E-Box during assemblies.

Looking forward for valuable support in the endeavour.

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Copy to: respective Heads of Directorates/KVS/NVS/CTSA to disseminate the information to all concerned schools under their jurisdiction:

3. The Director of Education, Directorate of Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Old Secretariat, Delhi
4. The Director of Public Instructions (Schools) Union Territory Secretariat, Sector 9, Chandigarh
5. The Director of Education, Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok, Sikkim
6. The Director of School Education, Govt. of Arunachal Pradesh, Itanagar
7. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair
8. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103, A&N Islands
9. The Secretary, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESS Plaza, Community Centre, Sector 3 Rohini, Delhi
10. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ, PO, New Delhi
11. The Secretary AWES, Integrated Headquarters of MoD (Army), FDRC Building No. 202, Shankar Vihar (Near APS), Delhi
12. EO to Chairman, CBSE
13. SPS to Secretary, CBSE
14. SPS to Director (Information Technology)
15. The Public Relations Officer, CBSE
16. All Regional Directors/Regional Officers of CBSE with the request to send this notification to all the Heads of the affiliated schools of the Board in their respective regions
17. All Additional Directors/Joint Directors/Deputy Directors/Assistant Director, CBSE
18. The Hindi Officer, CBSE
19. The Assistant Librarian, CBSE
20. The Officer in charge of I.T. with the request to put this notification on the CBSE websites

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