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No. Shiksha-Shimla-5-8 (DM)/2018-19 -33004-33554 Dated: 23.03.2018

To,

The All Principals/Headmasters, GSSS/GHS/Pvt. Schools, District Shimla,HP.

Sub: 04th April 1905 Kanga Earthquake Anniversary: Shakeout drill in Himachal Pradesh

Memo,

In compliance to the Additional District Magistrate (Protocol)-cum-CEO-DDMA, DC Office Shimla SML-DDMA (Action Work Plan)/2016-700-Samarth Dated 20.03.2018 on the subject cited as above.

As you are aware that Disasters of various intensity and magnitude are common in District Shimla. The district comes under seismic zone IV & V and fire incidents and landslides are very common. These catastrophes lead to loss of both lives and property.Therefore, safety of school and school children is of major concern as our ability to respond to these calamitous events is grossly inadequate.

The Himachal Pradesh State Disaster Management Authority (HPSDMA:www.hpsdma.nic.in) constituted under the Disaster Management Authority Act,2005 in Chairpersonship of Hon'ble Chief Minister of Himachal Pradesh. Its first meeting was held on 07.12.2011 has directed all educational institutes in State to conduct mock drills on disaster response at least four times a year. The guidelines for conducting mock drills have also been issued by State Government, School Management and teachers need to be trained and oriented in various aspects of school safety so that damage/losses due to disaster can be minimized and precious lives of children studying in schools can be safeguarded.

In this context, HPSDMA in collaboration with disaster Management Authority: Shimla is planning to organise one day orientation cum sensitization programme for various schools located in District Shimla on 04.04.2018 from 11:00am onwards at educational institutes(i.e Schools,colleges,university and technical institutes etc.)The programme will focus on various sensitization activities: shake out drills/drop cover-hold exercises for the development of capacities in schools both Government and Private. It will surely enhance the capacities of the Participants in the "school Safety" and help us in conditioning of our response to disasters.

Keeping in view of the significance of the programme, a meeting at sub divisional level with department of Fire, Homeguards and civil defence will be organised by concerned SDM..

You are therefore directed to conduct a mock drill on 04.04.2018 in your school and latter send proper report along with photographs and newspaper clippings immediately to this office.

You are further directed to attend the meeting on Disaster Management to be organised by SDM at sub Divisional Level in near future for smooth drop-down cover-hold and evacuation drill.

In case of any query or assistance, please contact Smt. Kamini Sharma, Project Associate on 94181-20007,Dr. Neha Sharma, Training and capacity building Coordinator, on 9857379885 and Shri Narender Kaith,Assistant IT coordinator on 94591-4880.

Deputy Director of Migher Education, District Shimla, US Club Shimla-1

<u>Endorsement No. Even, Dated: Shimla, the, ____</u> <u>Copy to the following for information & necessary action:-</u>

- 1. The Director of Higher Education ,HP. Shimla -1, for information, please.
- 2. The Additional District Magistrate (Protocol)-cum-CEO-DDMA, DC Office Shimla.

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