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All Heads of Schools affiliated to CBSE

**Subject: Creating Awareness about preventive interventions for reducing transmission of Novel Coronavirus disease**

**Ref.:**

1. D.O.No. 14-3/2020-Sch.3 dated 04<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 of Secretary, Departments of Higher Education / School Education & Literacy, MHRD, Govt. of India
2. D.O.No.Secy(HFW)/IMP/Coronavirus/2020 dated: 05<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 of Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Govt. of India
3. D.O.No. 14-6/2020-IS-10 dated 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2020 of Joint Secretary, Department of School Education and Literacy, MHRD, Govt. of India

**Dear Principal,**

You may be aware of the Novel Coronavirus reported from China and 24 other countries. Though much is not known about the disease dynamics, it is evident that there is human to human transmission. As of now, there is no drug or vaccine available to manage this disease. Hence preventive measures become crucial to stop spread of this disease.

Creating awareness among school children about preventive interventions such as frequent hand wash, respiratory etiquettes (using handkerchief over mouth while coughing/ sneezing, use of tissue paper or using the sleeve of shirt covering upper arm, staying away from school when sick, avoiding public gathering etc) will help in preventing/ reducing transmission of not only this disease, but also large number of other communicable diseases, notably flu like illness. Further, such informed children can be agents of change for their family, community and beyond.

In view of the above, you are requested to take initiatives to teach children these simple public health measures that will go a long way in preventing spread of Novel Coronavirus disease. An information pamphlet is enclosed which could come handy for the teachers to sensitize children.

(Dr. Joseph Emmanuel)  
Director (Academics)

**Encl: As stated above**

Copy to the respective Heads of Directorates, Organizations and Institutions as indicated below with a request to disseminate the information to all the schools under their jurisdiction:

1. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, 18-Institutional Area, Shaheed Jee Singh Marg, New Delhi-16