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Government of Jammu & Kashmir DIRECTORATE OF SCHOOL EDUCATION, JAMMU

Sub: Strengthening of Counselling cell in the Directorate of School Education, Jammu

ORDER No. : 3/DSEJ of 2020
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Whereas, the counsellingcell was set up in the directorate of school education, Jammu vide administrative department No Edu/L/J/Misc/2016 dated 02.04.2016 for establishing helpline, undertaking counselling activities in the schools with engagement of professionals, involving teachers in providing stress free environment in schools, organizing workshops and interactive sessions with various stakeholders including parents and NGOs etc.

Whereas, three teachers were placed in the counselling cell who were relieved from this cell to perform duties in schools;

Whereas the counselling activities are being regularly undertaken by the Head, counselling Cell and various initiatives have been taken during this period in which some teachers posted in schools were assigned additional duties of counselling cell purely on temporary basis;

Whereas, the magnitude of work has increased manifold especially during the current pandemic and the counselling cell needs to be strengthened;

Whereas Manodarpan, a Govt of India initiative for psychological support for mental health well- being of students needs to be implemented in all the schools of Jammu division;

Whereas Project Approval Board (PAB) for the UT of Jammu & Kashmir under SamagraShiksha Scheme for the F.Y 2020-21 has also approved counselling cells at Divisional and District levels;

Whereas Hon'ble high Court of J&K ,in a PIL No:24/2015 titled ShivamMahajanVs state and others has directed school education Department dated 09/02/2108 to adopt measures for safety and security of children and activation of counselling cells in schools.

Whereas NewNational Education Policy lays a lot of emphasis on guidance and counselling component in it;

Whereas toupscale counselling activities and manage a wide network of counselling cells, Tele counselling and faculty counsellingstaff (District counselling co-ordinators, Zonal Counselling co-ordinators, faculty counsellors etc. the Counselling Cell in the Directorate needs to be strengthened;

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S.No	Name	Designation	Place of posting	Qualification	Experience
	`Shanti Sarup	Master	GGHSS Rehari Surplus	BSc Med PGD in Guidance and Counselling	Teacher Counsellor, active participation in psychological interventions in schools.
2	Preeti Sharma	Teacher	UPS Rattnuchak lower Surplus, zone Purmandal	BSc MA Psychology, MEd	Nodal tele- counsellor, Active participation in supporting psychological interventions in schools
3.	Dr Surinder	1	GHS Gandhi Nagar	BSc MEd, NET& SET in Sociology, PhD and Post doctorate in Sociology	Nodal facilitator for counselling activities, attended international conference organised by UN

All these officials shall, through the Head, Counselling cell, submit fortnightly progress report on the activities undertaken by the counselling cell. However, they shall also continue to coordinate with the teacher members of the Psychological Task Force in all districts as well as the Zonal Coordinators in each zone.

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Dated: 10-10-2020

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