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To The Principal Secretary, Transport Department Government of West Bengal

Sub: Actions to be undertaken by the Transport Department as per the resolutions of the State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) for Tobacco Control Meeting held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, West Bengal.

Sir,

The decisions taken in the State Level Coordination Committee (SLCC) Meeting for Tobacco Control held under the Chairmanship of Chief Secretary, West Bengal on 15.01.2014 may kindly be recalled (copy of resolution enclosed at Annexure-A).

Accordingly, the Transport Department may initiate the following actions:

- Notify State, District & Block Level Nodal Officers for Tobacco Control (notification to be made by designation only).
- b. Form Enforcement Squads for Tobacco Control at State, District & Block Level. The squads would enforce the provisions of Cigarette & Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA) 2003 by undertaking periodic visits to different public places/public vehicles and impose penalties on violators. The State Nodal Officer of State Tobacco Control Cell (i.e. ADHS Oncology, Health & FW Department) shall provide technical support in formation of Enforcement Squads to the notified State Nodal Officer for Tobacco Control of Transport Department.
- c. State Nodal Officer for Tobacco Control of Transport Department to submit district wise monthly report to the State Nodal Officer of State Tobacco Control Cell, Health & Family Welfare Department in the format prescribed by the State Tobacco Control Cell (format enclosed at Annexure-B).
- d. Issue necessary circulars to make Cigarette & Other Tobacco Products Act (COTPA) 2003 compliance mandatory for new and existing licenses for operating all categories of Public Transport.
- e. To notify one officer of appropriate seniority for taking action against violation of the smoke free rules in the state headquarter office premises.

Yours faithfully,

Enclosure: As stated above.

Mission Director, NHM Secretary, Health & FW Dept.