

GOVERNMENT OF NATIONAL CAPITAL TERRITORY OF DELHI  
DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION: SCHOOL BRANCH  
OLD SECRETARIAT: DELHI-110054

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**Sub: - Anti Fire Crackers Campaign.**

Festive season of Diwali, Chhat Puja, Guru Parv etc. is marked by heavy use of fire crackers which release toxic pollutants like sulphur dioxide, carbon monoxide and many others which pollute the air and cause serious ailments like asthma, bronchitis, hypertension and cardiovascular problems. The air and noise pollution caused by the fire crackers also affect the lives of animals, birds and other living beings on the earth. The ailing and the old persons are all the more prone to catch different allergies & diseases caused by pollution. During the prevailing COVID-19 pandemic, ensuring better Ambient Air Quality is essential since respiratory ailment is one of the major symptoms in COVID patients and bursting of fire crackers can deteriorate Ambient Air Quality.

Therefore, all the Heads of Govt., Govt. Aided & Unaided Recognized Schools under Directorate of Education are hereby directed to sensitize the students about the ill effects of burning of fire crackers and also encourage them to celebrate the festivals like Diwali, Chhat Puja, Guru Parv etc. by lighting of candles, electric fancy lights, earthen lamps and keeping the environment neat and clean. Students should be motivated to 'Say No to Fire Crackers'.

In addition to this, Heads of the Schools should direct the teachers to motivate the students to adopt safer and eco-friendly measures to celebrate Diwali & other festivals in a different way instead of burning fire crackers.

In view of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all the schools are closed for students and hence all the Heads of Schools are hereby directed to utilize the Whatsapp groups etc. to share the above information with the students to follow at home.

This issues with approval of the Competent Authority.

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**All Heads of Govt., Govt. Aided & Unaided Recognized Schools under Directorate of Education through DEL-E**

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1. PA to Pr. Secretary (Education).
2. PA to Director (Education).
3. All RDEs, DDEs (District/Zone) to ensure compliance.
4. ADE (PSB/ASB).
5. System Analyst (MIS) for uploading on website of the department.
6. Guard file.

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