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Sub: Importance of hand washing and Hygiene for preventing Diarrhoea

Hand washing is an important process for removing or reducing the number of micro-organisms from the hands. This in turn will reduce the potential transmission of micro-organisms directly or to the surfaces where they can be picked up by others. Washing of one's hands will decrease the risk of infectious diseases like Diarrhoea. Practicising good hand hygiene prevents the transmission of infections therefore **Hand Washing is** important for all the students.

For advocacy and raising awareness, the conduct of following activities in schools would go a long way to reduce incidence of diarrhoea and build lasting habits of hand washing to maintain basic sanitation and hygiene.

- Demonstration of correct hand washing techniques during school assembly.
- Emphasizing the importance of hand washing in school assembly.
- Ensuring that children wash their hands using soap and water, following the steps they are taught before taking their mid-day meals.
- Importance of use of ORS in case of Diarrhoea should also be emphasized.
- · Poster making and displaying in the hand washing areas.

All Heads of Govt. /Govt. Aided/ Pvt. Unaided recognized schools under the Directorate of Education are hereby directed to conduct the above listed activities in their respective schools and ensure that the habit of Hand Hygiene is inculcated in students.

This issues with prior approval of Competent Authority.

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All Heads of Govt. /Govt. Aided/ Pvt. Unaided recognized schools under the Directorate of Education through DEL-E.

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