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To

**All Vice Chancellors of Technical Universities and
All Directors/ Principals of AICTE Approved Institutions,**

Subject: - Dissemination of awareness about National Suicide Prevention Strategy – reg.

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, the Government has long been committed to promote health and well-being for all. 'Mental Health Policy 2014' and 'Mental Healthcare Act 2017' provide the much needed policy and legal framework to fortify efforts to promote well-being of the population which also addressed suicide as public health issue.

Suicide has emerged as a significant public health concern, both globally and in our country. In 2016, the annual global suicide rate was estimated to be 10.5 per 1,00,000 populations. As per NCRB's report the suicide rate in India was 10.4 per 1,00,000 populations in the year 2019. Suicide is not a single facet phenomenon, the reasons behind suicide vary by age, gender, educational and economic status. Suicide is a tragic loss of life, impacting those living with the loss and the society as a whole. However, it is encouraging that with right interventions suicide is preventable.

Keeping this in view, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare has formulated National Suicide Prevention Strategy which utilizes the guidance established by National and International documents for mental health and suicide prevention. National Suicide Prevention Strategy follows a Multi-Sectoral approach, which includes departments of Central and State Governments, local self-government and Panchyati Raj, Community volunteers and civil society groups, UN agencies, professional bodies etc.

It is requested that various actions as listed out in the Strategy are considered and initiated on priority in respect of students and staff at your institution. The National Suicide Prevention Strategy is available on the website of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (link is provided here).

<https://main.mohfw.gov.in/sites/default/files/National%20Suicide%20Prevention%20Strategy.pdf>

Regards

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