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 OFFICE OF THE STATE TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL OFFICER

North Block, New Delhi
 Dated the 07th October, 2019

To,
 The Chief Secretaries,
 All State Governments & UT Administrations.

Subject:-'The Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes (production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement) Ordinance, 2019'- Regarding.

Sir/Madam,

Government of India has prohibited electronic-cigarettes through promulgation of 'The Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes (production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement) Ordinance, 2019'. The salient features of the Ordinance are:-

- a) E-cigarettes includes all forms of Electronic Nicotine Delivery Systems, Heat Not Burn Products, e-Hookah and the like devices, by whatever name called and whatever shape, size or form it may have, but does not include any product licensed under the Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940.
- b) Production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement of electronic-cigarettes or any parts or components thereof such as refill pods, atomisers, cartridges etc, is prohibited. Online sale and advertisement have also been prohibited.
- c) Individual possession of e-cigarettes for personal use is not an offence.
- d) Punishment:

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GP and Home Deptt also to be informed
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TO THE SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT
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- (i) For production, manufacturing, import, export, transport, sale, distribution and advertisement - imprisonment upto one year or fine up to rupees one lakh or both. For subsequent offence, imprisonment upto three years and fine upto rupees five lakh. It shall be a cognizable offence.
- (ii) For storage - Imprisonment upto six months or fine upto rupees fifty thousand or both.

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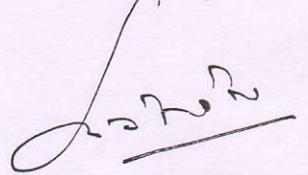
- (iii) Sub-Inspector of Police is the Authorized Officer to conduct search and seizure. Other Officers can also be notified as Authorized Officer by Central/State Governments.
- (iv) An opportunity is provided to the owners of existing stocks of e-cigarettes on the date of commencement of the Ordinance to suo moto declare and deposit these stocks at the nearest police station without unnecessary delay.

2. The Ordinance has come into effect on 18.09.2019. A copy of 'The Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes (production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement) Ordinance, 2019' is enclosed.

3. You are, therefore, requested to kindly implement 'The Prohibition of Electronic Cigarettes (production, manufacture, import, export, transport, sale, distribution, storage and advertisement) Ordinance, 2019' in the larger interest of Public Health. It is also requested to kindly ensure that it is circulated amongst all concerned officers/authorities in the State/ UT.

Encl. As above

Yours faithfully,



(S. K. Shahi)

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India
Tel: 011 -23388024

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| 1. The Principal Secretary/Secretary (Home) | } | All State Governments/
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| 2. The Director General of Police | | |

Copy also for information to:-

Secretary, Department of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare w.r.t . D.O. letter No. P-16012/23/2019-TC dated 19.09.2019.