



महाराष्ट्र राज्य माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक शिक्षण मंडळ,
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प्रति,

मुख्याध्यापक,
सर्व मान्यताप्राप्त शाळा,
नागपूर विभाग, नागपूर.
भंडारा, चंद्रपुर, नागपूर, वर्धा, गडचिरोली, गोंदिया.

विषय:- Regarding Establishing "Sugar Board" in Schools to Monitor and Reduce Sugar Intake Among Children.

- संदर्भ:- 1. राष्ट्रीय बाल अधिकार संरक्षण आयोग भारत सरकार यांचे पत्र क्र. 227850/NCPCRCH(1)2022-23/PART-2 Date-06/03/2025 रोजीचे पत्र.
2. राज्य मंडळ, पुणे यांचे पत्र क्रमांक रा.मं./संशोधन/2356, दि. 30/06/2025.

उपरोक्त विषयी संदर्भीय पत्रास अनुसरून आपणास कळविण्यात येते की, शालेय परिसरात सहज उपलब्ध होणा-या साखरयुक्त स्नेक्स, पेये आणि प्रक्रिया केलेले अन्नपदार्थ यांच्या अतिरेकी सेवनामुळे मुलांमध्ये टाइप 2 मधुमेहात लक्षणीय वाढ झाली असून मुलांच्या आरोग्यावर दीर्घकालीन परिणाम होतो. त्यामुळे त्यांचे शैक्षणिक नुकसान होते.

या समस्येचे निराकरण करण्यासाठी व अतिरेकी साखर सेवनाच्या धोक्याबद्दल विद्यार्थ्यांना शिक्षित करण्यासाठी "Sugar Board" ची स्थापना करण्यात यावी.

सेबत- राष्ट्रीय बाल अधिकार संरक्षण आयोग भारत सरकार यांचे दि. 06/03/2025 रोजीचे पत्र.

(रवीन्द्र सोनटकरे)

विभागीय सचिव, (प्र.)

नागपूर विभागीय मंडळ, नागपूर.

प्रत माहिती तथा योग्य कार्यवाहीस्तव :-

- 1) सचिव महाराष्ट्र राज्य माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक शिक्षण मंडळ, भांबुर्डा, शिवाजीनगर, पुणे-4 यांना माहितीस्वतः समादराने अग्रेषित.
- 2) शिक्षण उपसंचालक, नागपूर विभाग नागपूर यांना समादराने अग्रेषित.
- 3) शिक्षणाधिकारी (माध्यमिक) जि. पु. भंडारा, चंद्रपूर, नागपूर, वर्धा, गडचिरोली, गोंदिया यांना कळविण्यात येते की, आपल्या कार्यक्षेत्रातील माध्यमिक व उच्च माध्यमिक शाळा यांच्या लेखी निदर्शनास आणून द्यावे.



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Letter No- 227850/NCPCR-CH(1)/2022-23/PART-2

Date- 06.03.2025

To

The Chairperson/ Secretary/Commissioner/Director
State Education Boards
(As per the attached list)

Subject- Regarding Establishing 'Sugar Boards' in Schools to Monitor and Reduce Sugar Intake Among Children.

Sir/Madam,

National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) is a statutory body formed under section (3) of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005 (No.4 of 2006) to ensure that rights of the children are protected especially those who are most vulnerable and marginalized. NCPCR under section (13) (1)(j) of CPCR Act, 2005 has mandate to inquire into the matters pertaining to violation and deprivation of rights and entitlements of children and other related provisions for children provided under the Constitution of India. In addition, the Commission has also been mandated to monitor the implementation of the Juvenile Justice (Care & Protection of Children) Act, 2015 (section 109, JJ Act, 2015), the Right to Education Act, 2009 and Protection of children from Sexual offences Act, 2012.

2. Over the past decade, there has been a significant increase in Type 2 diabetes among children, a condition once primarily seen in adults. This alarming trend is largely attributed to high sugar intake, often due to the easy availability of sugary snacks, beverages, and processed foods within school environments. The excessive consumption of sugar not only increases the risk of diabetes but also contributes to obesity, dental, problems, and other metabolic disorders, ultimately impacting children's long-term health and academic performance. Studies indicate that sugar constitutes 13% of daily calorie intake for children aged 4 to 10 and 15% for those aged 11 to 18—substantially exceeding the recommended limit of 5%. The proliferation of sugary snacks, beverages, and processed foods, often readily available in school environments, contributes significantly to this excessive intake.

3. To address this issue, the Commission strongly recommends that all schools under your jurisdiction establish 'Sugar Boards'—visual information displays aimed at educating students about the risks of excessive sugar intake. **These boards should provide essential information, including the recommended daily sugar intake,**

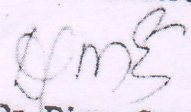
the sugar content in commonly consumed foods (unhealthy meals such as junk food, cold drinks, etc.), health risks associated with high sugar consumption, and healthier dietary alternatives. By implementing this initiative, schools can encourage informed food choices and promote long-term health benefits among students.

4. We request your esteemed office to kindly issue an official circular to all schools under your jurisdiction, directing them to establish Sugar Boards as a mandatory initiative. This circular should instruct schools to prominently display these boards in cafeterias, classrooms, and common areas, ensuring that students receive continuous awareness regarding the risks of excessive sugar consumption. Schools should also be encouraged to integrate this initiative into their health and nutrition programs, conduct periodic sugar-awareness activities/ workshops, and collaborate with healthcare professionals to reinforce the importance of balanced dietary habits. Your prompt action in issuing this directive will contribute significantly to promoting a healthier school environment and safeguarding the well-being of children.

5. A copy of circular, along with the details of the sugar boards displayed by the schools and workshops conducted may kindly be shared with NCPDR on divyagupta.ncpdr@gov.in within 30 days times.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Dr. Divya Gupta)