## No. F. 16-2/2019-S&S Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education \*\*\*\*\*\*

New Delhi, 20th May, 2021.

## CIRCULAR

Subject: Observance of Anti-Terrorism Day on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 – an anti-terrorism pledge taking ceremony in the wherever feasible, on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 at 11.00 AM reg.

In pursuance of Ministry of Home Affair's circular No. 19/9/2021-Public dated 13.05.2021, an anti-terrorism pledge taking ceremony will be conducted on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021. All officers/staff of this Ministry are hereby requested to take part in the anti-terrorism pledge in the wherever feasible on 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2021 at 11.00 AM (Friday).

2. All Bureau Heads of Ministry of Education are requested to issue instructions to all subordinate/attached/autonomous bodies under their Administrative control for compliance of MHA's letter dated 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2021 (Copy enclosed).

(Devender Kumar)

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India

- 1. PPS to Secretary (HE)
- 2. PPS to Secretary (SE&L)
- 3. PS to AS(T)
- 4. All Bureau Heads, with request to forward the above instruction to all subordinate/attach/autonomous bodies under their Administrative control.
- 5. All officers and staff of the M/o Education.
- 6. CMIS for placing it on e-office, M/o Education.

## No. 19/9/2021-Public Government of India/Bharat Sarkar Ministry of Home Affairs/Grih Mantralaya \*\*\*\*

North Block, New Delhi, Dated the May, 2021

To

Chief Secretaries of all State Governments, Administrators of all Union Territories, and Secretaries of all Ministries/Departments of the Govt. of India.

Subject: Observance of Anti-Terrorism Day on 21st May.

Sir/Madam,

Every year 21st May is observed as Anti-Terrorism Day. The objective behind observance of this day is to wean away the youth from terrorism and the cult of violence by highlighting the sufferings of common people and showing as to how it is prejudicial to the national interest. To achieve the above objective various anti-terrorism programmes and drives had been organised in the past.

- 2. In view of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, it is imperative to follow the preventive measures such as maintaining social distancing, wearing of masks etc. as prescribed and recommended by the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, while organizing the appropriate programme for the occasion.
- 3. It is proposed that anti-terrorism pledge may be taken in all Government offices, public sector undertakings and other public institutions on 21.05.2021. Keeping in view the safety of participants and organisers and to avoid public gathering, officials may be advised to take anti-terrorism pledge solemnly in their rooms/offices itself. Officials working from home may also be advised accordingly. A copy of the 'pledge' (both in English & Hindi) is enclosed (Annexure).

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- 4. In addition, considering importance and solemnity of the occasion, innovative ways of propagating the message of anti-terrorism through digital and social medial platforms, may also be considered.
- 5. Accordingly, I request you to kindly observe 21st May as "Anti-Terrorism Day" in a befitting manner.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary to the Govt. of India

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