

**No. EDN-H (Ele.)(4)-6- (NCPCR)  
Directorate of Elementary Education  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001.**

Dated: Shimla – 171 001, the

September, 2024.

To

All the Dy. Directors (EE)  
Himachal Pradesh.

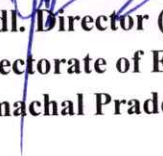
**Subject: Schools subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during festivals.**

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith letter No. 25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU/DD209316 dated 08-08-2024 from the Chairperson, NCPCR, New Delhi-110001 received through the Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of HP vide letter No. EDUB-A04/1/2024-EDU-B dated 20-08-2024 on the subject cited with the request to go through the contents of the letter and take necessary action under intimation to this directorate as well as to the quarter concerned accordingly.

Yours faithfully,

**Encls: As above.**

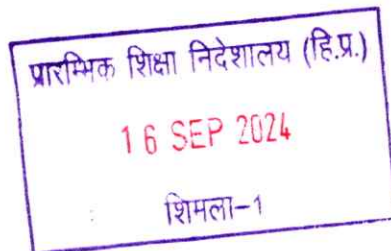
  
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Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001  
September, 2024**

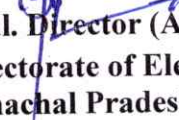
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1. The Chairperson, NCPCR, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Chanderlok Building, 36 Janpath, New Delhi-110001 for information please.
2. The Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1 for information please.
- ✓ 3. The IT Cell (Internal) with the request to upload on the website please.
4. Guard File.



  
**Addl. Director (Admn.)  
Directorate of Elementary Education  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001**

No.EDUB-A04/1/2024-EDU-B.  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department of Higher Education

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From

The Secretary (Education) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

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09-09-24

To

1. The Director, Higher Education,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

2. The Director, Elementary Education,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

Dated: Shimla-171002.

20-8-2024

Subject: - School subjecting children to corporal punishment and  
discrimination during festivals - reg.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith a photocopy of letter  
No.25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU/DD29316 dated 08.08.2024, received  
from the Chairperson, Government of India, National Commission for  
Protection of Child Rights, New Delhi, on the subject cited above and to  
request you to issue necessary direction in the matter as suggested by  
Government of India and send the compliance report to Commission, under  
intimation to this department accordingly.

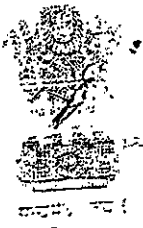
Yours faithfully,

(Anil Kumar)

Under Secretary (Hr.Edu) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

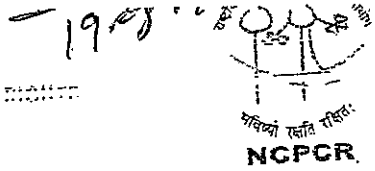
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA  
भारत सरकार  
NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR PROTECTION OF CHILD RIGHTS  
नई दिल्ली 110 001  
NEW DELHI 110 001



F. No. 25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU/DDR9314  
Date- 08/08/2024

To,

Principal Secretaries of School Education Department of all States/UTs (as per the enclosed list)

Subject- Schools subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during festivals\_reg.

Madam/Sir,

The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Commission') is a statutory body constituted under Section 3 of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005 to protect the rights of children and address other related matters in the Country. The Commission is further mandated to monitor the proper and effective implementation of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012; Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Right to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

2. Over the years, it has been observed by the Commission through various news reports that children are subject to harassment and discrimination by the school teachers and other staff on account of celebration of festivals. It has been noticed that schools do not allow children to wear rakhi or tilak or mehandi in schools during the festivals such as Raksha Bandhan and subject them to harassment, both physical and mental. It may be noted that corporal punishment is prohibited in schools under Section 17 of the RTE Act, 2009. A letter in this regard was issued on 30.08.2023.

3. As the festivals are approaching, it is requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities and ensure that schools do not observe any such practice that may expose children to corporal punishment or discrimination.

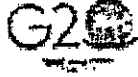
4. A compliance report may kindly be shared with the Commission along with the copy of order issued in this regard latest by 17.08.2024.

Yours sincerely,

(Priyank Kanoongo)

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**URGENT**

F. No. 25019/18/2023-24/NCPCR/EDU/308774  
Date-30/08/2023

To,

Principal Secretaries of School Education Department of all States/UTs (as per the enclosed list)

Subject- Schools subjecting children to corporal punishment and discrimination during festivals\_reg.

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The National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Commission') is a statutory body constituted under Section 3 of the Commission for Protection of Child Rights (CPCR) Act, 2005 to protect the rights of children and address other related matters in the Country. The Commission is further mandated to monitor the proper and effective implementation of Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012; Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Act, 2015 and Right to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009.

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3. Therefore, it is requested to issue necessary directions to the concerned authorities and ensure that schools do not observe any such practice that may expose children to corporal punishment or discrimination.

Yours sincerely