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Sub: Implementing TOFEI (Tobacco Free Educational Institutions) guidelines issued with the circular by Ministry of Health by the institutions affiliated to RGUHS.

Young adults are at an increased risk for behaviors such as smoking and other forms of tobacco use. There is scientific evidence that addiction formation takes place in adolescence, and the tobacco companies capitalise this factor through their various marketing strategies. India has its largest (27.5%) ever adolescent and youth population (aged 15-29 years). The prevalence of tobacco use among those aged ≥ 15 years was 28.6% (267 million adults).

Most smoking-related deaths arise from respiratory diseases (mainly COPD), cancers and cardiovascular diseases. More than 60% of all death globally are caused by Non-communicable disease and tobacco use is an attributable risk factor.

In view of the above concerns the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare Government of India has published a guidelines "TOFEI" and issued a circular for the implementation of the same. Please click on the link to access the document.

<https://dtek.karnataka.gov.in/storage/pdf-files/NSS/Tobacco%20Free%20Educational%20Institution%20Circular.pdf>

Kindly use the link below to provide the TOFEI compliance status of your institution.

<https://ee.humanitarianresponse.info/x/wHuOawD2>

With Best Wishes,


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To,

All the Dean/Director/Principal's of Colleges affiliated to RGUHS.