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Subject: Prohibition of sales of unhealthy foods in educational institutions and promote healthy food options in canteens of Higher Education Institutions (HEIs).

आदरणीय महोदया/महोदय,

Good health is a fundamental privilege for humanity. India is facing a rapid increase in diseases, with 1 in 4 people being either obese or diabetic/pre-diabetic, as per the ICMR report 2020-2023.

As you are aware, National Advocacy in Public Interest (NAPi) is a national think tank on nutrition-consisting of independent experts in epidemiology, human nutrition, community nutrition and paediatrics, medical education, administration, social work, and management. Concerned over the rising obesity, diabetes and other Non-communicable diseases (NCDs), to build a case for accelerated implementation of the National multi-sectoral Plan of Action (NMAP) for Prevention and Control of common NCDs (2017-2022), NAPi has requested to prohibit sales of unhealthy foods in educational institutions and promote healthy food options in canteens.

As you are aware, the UGC has already notified advisories on similar subjects vide its letters dated 10th November 2016 and 21st August 2018. In continuation of the above, the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) are once again requested to implement the prohibition of sales of unhealthy foods in educational institutions and promote healthy food options in canteens to curb the ongoing epidemic of NCDs effectively by reducing the consumption of unhealthy ultra-processed of HFSS foods.

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