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The Deputy Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, All Regional Offices and ZHETs,

Subject: National School Sanitation Initiative - reg.

Sir,

As you are aware it is imperative upon all educational institutions to focus on practical aspect of effective sanitation and hygiene with the aim to inculcate good sanitation habits among the children. The CBSE in collaboration with MHRD, MOUD and GIZ has also launched a programme called "Waves of Change" whose main moto is 'Education Beyond the Books. It also aims at National Talent Hunt besides promoting hygiene and sanitation under the on-going National School Sanitation Initiative Programme.

As per 'Online National School Sanitation Ratings' launched by Sh. Kapil Sibal, Hon'ble Ex-Minister of Human Resource Development, all schools especially CBSE are supposed to log on to www.schoolsanitation.com and obtain their online ratings in order to assess their sanitation status. However, it is seen that out of 1089 Kendriya Vidyalayas in India, only 88 schools have so far gone online sanitation rating and even fewer have registered themselves for participation in the "Waves of Change" programme. This is quite disheartening from the organizations like KVS. Also, it has been observed that quite good number of schools do not meet standards of sanitation and provision of clean and safe drinking water for students.

In view of having a better sanitation in the schools you are supposed to give desired exposure to the above said programme and give suitable directions to all Principals of the KVs to ensure proper sanitation in toilets and arrangements of clean and safe drinking water for students. Also, Principals of all KVs may be instructed to go online sanitation rating and register themselves for participation in the "Waves of Change Programme". A compiled report of sanitation facility, safe drinking water and online ratings done by KVs of your region may be informed to KVS Headquarters every quarter.

For strict compliance.

Yours faithfully,

Additional Commissioner (Acad.)

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JC (Trg.)-for monitoring and ensuring receipt of quarterly report.

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