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(मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार के अधीन एक स्वायत्त संगठन)
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All Heads of Institutions affiliated to CBSE

Subject: 'MANODARPAN'- an initiative of the Ministry of Human Resource Development to provide Psychosocial Support to students for their Mental Health & Well-being during the COVID outbreak and beyond.

Ministry of Human Resource Development has undertaken an initiative, named 'MANODARPAN' covering a wide range of activities to provide psychosocial support to students, teachers and families for Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing during the COVID outbreak and beyond. The aim of Manodarpan is to help students to live their lives happily, effectively and productively and become resilient over time with the help of life skills even in the face of challenges and roadblocks. Under the initiative, all students from Schools affiliated to CBSE will be covered.

The 'Manodarpan' initiative has been included in the ATMANIRBHAR BHARAT ABHIYAN, as a part of strengthening human capital and increasing productivity and efficient reform and initiatives for the Education sector.

A Web-page named 'Manodarpan- Psychosocial Support for Mental Health & Well-being during the COVID outbreak and beyond' has been created on the Website of the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The Web-page contains advisory, practical tips, posters, videos, do's and don'ts for psychosocial support, FAQs and online query system.

A National Toll-free Helpline (8448440632) for a country-wide outreach to students from schools, colleges and universities has also been set up. Through this helpline tele-counselling will be provided to the students to address their mental health and psychosocial issues. This unique helpline shall be managed by a pool of experienced counselors/ Psychologists and other mental health professionals and will continue beyond the COVID-19 situation. About 500 experienced counsellors have been enrolled to implement the national helpline, and 100 counsellors have been mapped to commence the first phase for students.

It is requested that principals of all the schools affiliated to CBSE may disseminate information about this facility to students, parents and teachers of their respective schools to help students if they feel like getting expert advice on mental health issues.

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