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Subject:

Advisory regarding Misuse of Courier Services for Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) and Regulation thereof within District Kishtwar.

ADVISORY

Whereas, pursuant to the decisions taken in the 14th UT-Level NCORD Meeting chaired by the Worthy Chief Secretary, Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir, the Home Department has issued directions requiring all District Magistrates to issue advisories to courier operators to prevent the misuse of courier networks for trafficking narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances; and

Whereas, instances have come to the notice of the authorities as well as the undersigned that certain courier services agencies are being misused by unscrupulous elements for the transportation and delivery of psychotropic and narcotic substances (NRX drugs), thereby posing a serious threat to public health, safety and maintenance of law & order; and

Whereas, it is imperative to ensure that all courier service agencies operating within District Kishtwar function strictly in accordance with the provisions of the *Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985*, the *Drugs and Cosmetics Act, 1940*, and other allied laws governing such operations;

Now, therefore, keeping in view the above and in the interest of public safety, all courier operators and service providers operating within the jurisdiction of District Kishtwar are hereby advised to ensure strict adherence to the following instructions: -

- Prohibition of Illegal Consignments: No courier operator shall accept, carry, or deliver any parcel or consignment containing narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, or any precursor material in contravention of the NDPS Act. Any such involvement shall invite strict legal action under the relevant provisions of law.
- Verification of Drug-Related Parcels: Any parcel containing pharmaceutical preparations or drugs shall be cleared for dispatch or delivery only after proper scrutiny and verification by an Inspector from the Office of the Assistant Drug Controller, Kishtwar, or by the concerned Police authorities.

3. Surveillance & Record Keeping: All courier service providers shall install highresolution CCTV cameras in their premises for surveillance and shall maintain computerised records of all consignments, containing full details of consignors and

consignees for verification as and when required.

4. **Mandatory Registration:** All courier service agencies operating in District Kishtwar

shall register themselves with the competent authority within seven (07) days from

the issuance of this advisory, failing which their operations shall be liable to

suspension as per the regulatory framework.

5. **Inspections & Monitoring:** The Police Department, in coordination with the

Assistant Drug Controller, Kishtwar shall conduct regular inspections of courier offices

to ensure adherence to these advisories and to detect any misuse of courier

networks for trafficking activities.

6. **Periodic Feedback:** A fortnightly report on inspections and enforcement measures

shall be submitted by the Senior Superintendent of Police, Kishtwar, to the

undersigned for onward submission to the higher authorities.

All courier agencies are **hereby strongly cautioned** that any direct or indirect

involvement in the transportation, handling, or facilitation of narcotic or psychotropic

substances shall be viewed with utmost seriousness and dealt with strictly under the

provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985, and other allied laws in force.

Strict compliance with this Advisory is mandatory.

District Magistrate Kishtwar.

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1. Principal Secretary to Government, Home Department, Civil Secretariat, Jammu/ Srinagar, for favour of kind information.

2. Divisional Commissioner, Jammu, for favour of kind information.

- 3. Senior Superintendent of Police, Kishtwar, for kind information and necessary action.
- 4. Sub-Divisional Magistrates (All), District Kishtwar, for inf. and necessary action.
- 5. Tehsildars (All), District Kishtwar, for information and necessary action.
- 6. District Information Officer, Kishtwar, with the direction to give wide publicity through print, electronic and social media.
- 7. District Informatics Officer, (NIC) Kishtwar, for uploading the advisory on the official website of District Kishtwar.
- 8. SHO P/S (All) and I/C Police Posts, (All) District Kishtwar for information and necessary action.
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