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DIRECTORATE OF SOCIAL WELFARE

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DRAFT DRUG POLICY PUBLISHED; OBJECTIONS & SUGGESTIONS INVITED.

The Department of Social Welfare, Government of Manipur has published a draft "Manipur State Policy on Substance Use, 2019" in the official Gazette No. 98 dated 8th July, 2020 for information of all persons likely to be affected by the proposed policy. The said policy has been drafted by a Drafting Committee constituted by Social Welfare Department, consisting of different stakeholders viz: Civil Organization, Student Organization, Law Enforcement Agencies, NGOs and Line Departments with due deliberation and discussion. The draft policy will be available on the state government website <http://manipur.gov.in> and Department's official website <http://socialwelfaremanipur.nic.in> (Besides the Official Gazette mentioned above as published by the Department of Printing & Stationary, Government of Manipur).

All are requested to go through the draft policy and furnish suggestions and objections, if any, to the Principal Secretary (Social Welfare), Government of Manipur on or before 8th August, 2020.

The policy envisages making Manipur free from substance use disorders by adopting a multi-pronged strategy that includes:

- (1) Drug Demand Reduction
- (2) Drug Supply Reduction and
- (3) Harm Reduction.

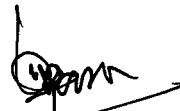
The implementation will also require a multi-sectoral approach in which various stakeholders and Line Departments such as Health, Education, Agriculture, Forest, Horticulture and Law Enforcement Agencies etc will jointly combat the drug menace in the state. Once the Policy is finalised, the concerned line Departments can develop and implement various schemes and programmes under the broad framework of the proposed Manipur State Policy on Substance Use, 2019. Further, the policy can be fully implemented with the active cooperation and participation of civil organisations, student organisations and general public as a whole.

Sd/-

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Copy to:

1. The Secy to Hon'ble CM, Manipur
2. The PPS to the Hon'ble Minister (Social Welfare), Manipur.
3. The PS to the Principal Secretary (Social Welfare), Govt. of Manipur.
4. The Director (IPR) Manipur with a request for kind wide publication in local daily of the above notification.
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