

# केन्द्रीय माध्यमिक शिक्षा बोर्ड

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All Heads of Institutions affiliated to CBSE

Subject: Prevention of cervical cancer among girl students - reg.

### **Dear Principals**

Globally, cervical cancer is the 4<sup>th</sup> most common cancer in women. In India, it is the second most common cancer in women and India contributes to the largest proportion of global cervical cancer burden. Cervical cancer is a preventable and curable disease, as long as it is detected early and managed effectively. Most cervical cancers are associated with the Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and the HPV vaccine can prevent most cases of cervical cancer if the vaccine is given before girls or women are exposed to the virus. Prevention through vaccination is one of the pillars of the Global Strategy adopted by WHO for the elimination of cervical cancer. Further, the National Technical Advisory Group for Immunization (NTAGI) has recommended introduction of HPV vaccine in the Universal Immunization Programme (UIP) with a one-time catch-up for 9- I4-year-old adolescent girls followed with routine introduction at 9 years.

The vaccination would be provided primarily through schools (Grade based approach:  $5^{th} - 10^{th}$ ) as school enrolment of girls is high. In order to reach those girls who are unable to attend school on the campaign day, the vaccination would be provided at a health facility. For registration, recording and reporting of vaccination numbers, the U-WIN App would be used.

In this regard, School Heads are requested to take up the following activities in order to make the campaign a successful one:

- Organize HPV vaccination centres in schools for vaccination.
- Identify a nodal person in school to coordinate vaccination activities and collate the number of 9-14 years of girls in the school and bulk upload the same in U-WIN.
- Generate awareness through school teachers to all parents during Special Parents-Teachers' Meeting (PTAs).
- Support health team to plan vaccination campaign in the school excluding during examination and holidays.

You are also requested to circulate the importance of HPV vaccine through the official social media handles of the school for creating awareness among the stakeholders about the vaccine and its importance in long way.

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- The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti, B-15, Sector-62, Institutional Area, Noida-201309
- 3. The Secretary, Eklavya Model Residential Schools (EMRS), Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Government of India.
- 4. The Secretary, Sainik Schools Society, Room No. 101, D-1 Wing, Sena Bhawan, NewDelhi-110001.
- 5. The Chairman, Odisha Adarsha Vidyalaya Sangathan, N-1/9, Near DoordarshanKendra, PO Sainik School Nayapalli, Bhubaneswar, Odhisha-751005.
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- 10. The Director of Education, Govt. of A&N Islands, Port Blair 744101
- 11. The Director of Education, S.I.E., CBSE Cell, VIP Road, Junglee Ghat, P.O. 744103,A&N Island
- 12. The Director, Central Tibetan School Administration, ESSESS Plaza, CommunityCentre, Sector -3, Rohini, Delhi
- 13. The Additional Director General of Army Education, A –Wing, Sena Bhawan, DHQ, PO,New Delhi-110001
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