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It has been decided by the Government of India to observe the **Communal Harmony Campaign and Fund Raising Week from 19th November to 25th November 2014**. The last working day of the week will be observed as 'Flag Day' of the Foundation. The principal objective of observing the aforesaid week is to increase awareness regarding the importance of communal harmony and national integration amongst the people. The Communal Harmony Campaign Week is also to be utilized in raising the funds to support activities of the National Foundation for Communal Harmony (NFCH). It provides financial assistance to those children who become destitute and orphan in communal, caste, ethnic or terrorist violence, up to the age of 25 years. The assistance is meant for their care, education and training for effective rehabilitation.


The NIOS has to organise cultural programmes, seminars and painting competitions etc. as per the theme of the campaign to effectively promote the values of communal harmony and National Integration. The NIOS will be organizing various activities as per the theme of the campaign.

- (i) To give intensive campaigning and provide wide publicity for sensitizing officers and staff and public as a whole about the need for fostering communal harmony, national integration and fraternity, through cultural programmes, debates, seminars, workshops, essay competitions, painting competitions etc.
- (ii) To make arrangements for circulation of fund collection of fund collection boxes- wooden, plastic or metallic boxes may be improvised with suitable openings to insert the donation.
- (iii) To select volunteers from amongst staff to station themselves at the entrance and other vantage points and go around the office buildings on the Flag Day for distribution of flag stickers and collection of voluntary donation.
- (iv) To make suitable arrangements for proper security of collection boxes, opening them, counting the amount so collected and sending of NFCH.
- (v) Remittance of funds so collected should be made through Demand Drafts/cheque to the Secretary, National Foundation for Communal Harmony, 9th Floor, 'C' Wing, Lok Nayak Bhavan, Khan Market, New Delhi – 110 003. The Bank Draft should be sent through registered/ordinary post and **not** by courier.
- (vi) Donation made to the Foundation is 100% exempted from Income Tax under Section 80G of the Income Tax Act, 1961.

All the Heads of Departments/Unit Heads are requested kindly to take appropriate action accordingly. The Regional Directors will also organize similar programme at their respective Regional Centre.

A compliance report should be sent to the undersigned by 27th November, 2014.

A copy of the communication received from the MHRD, Government of India is also enclosed for taking appropriate action.


(C. Dharuman)
Secretary

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

1. All HOD's NIOS
2. AD(CMO) for kind information of Chairman, NIOS
3. All the Regional Directors may note for necessary compliance
4. Joint Director (Admn.), NIOS
5. Joint Director (Media), NIOS
6. SA/P, NIOS with the instruction to upload on NIOS website.
7. Notice Board, NIOS

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