## CIRCULAR

Order No. K5 - 33838/5/08

Sub: All Schools and Educational Institutions - Affixing of "Tobacco - Free Area" boards in all schools- at the entrance and at another prominent place and formation of Anti - tobacco cells in all education institutions, schools and colleges.

## Ref. Decision in the high level meeting on 23/5/08

It has been decided to affix stickers/ Board reading (i) "Tobacco - Free Area" - (ii) Smoking, using tobacco in any form and selling/exchanging tobacco products in any form in this premises and within a radius of 100mts of this premises is an offence as per section 4 of tobacco control Act 2003. (iii) "Violation invites penalty and prosecution". It is also decided to constitute anti tobacco cells including parents, teachers, students, local leadership in all schools, colleges and other educational institutions. The officers from District Medical Office and volunteers from Kerala Voluntary Health Services will approach the principal / Manager/ Officers for affixing the stickers in suitable places and for discussion about the formation of anti tobacco cells. The management and staff members of schools/colleges/ universities/educational institutions are requested to Cooperate with this venture.

District Collector

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