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To,

The District Education Officer,
Pune District.

Subject: Request for your support for the upcoming online awareness programme on 11th September 2023 for school principals and heads of schools in Pune District on “Child safety & Well-being and Consensus Building on Project CACA” being organized by Pune District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) in collaboration with NGO Social Axiom Foundation - Project CACA (Children Against Child Abuse). A need of the hour, Project CACA is an academic safety programme that aligns with the objectives of the Gazette Notification POCSO Rules 2020 and various other government guidelines.

Reference:

1. Rule 3 of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Rules, 2020.
2. Request of Ms. Saakshi Mishra, Advocacy Ambassador, Project CACA - Children Against Child Abuse Social Axiom Foundation (SAF).

Respected Madam/ Sir,

It is with great pleasure that I bring to your kind attention to an upcoming event of significant importance that the District Legal Services Authority Pune is organizing in collaboration with NGO Social Axiom Foundation - Project CACA (Children Against Child Abuse): A two-hour online webinar on “Child safety & Well-being and Consensus Building on Project CACA” covering Legal POCSO Act, Juvenile Justice Act, & Legal Services. It is scheduled to take place via the online platform Zoom on 11th September 2023, from 11am to 1pm.

As a capacity-building webinar, it will help principals put together a policy framework to further define the roles and responsibilities of the stakeholders at the grassroots level. The objectives of the webinar:

1. Raise legal awareness as well as sensitize the Principals and Head of Schools of Pune district on the POCSO Act, 2012, and JJ Act.
2. Raise legal awareness as well as sensitize about different kinds of abuses that children face and their prevention.
3. Help schools formulate a child safety and well-being committee and implement policies to ensure an enabling and empowering environment for the children.
4. Introduction of “Project CACA – A safety programme for schools to keep our students Happy, Healthy and Safe” to all the principals and heads of the schools to build consensus on its implementation under the school safety policy in accordance with the Gazette notification of POCSO Rules 2020.
5. Introduction of DLSAs and various services provided by them.