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**NOTICE FOR STRICT COMPLIANCE**

Whereas, it has been brought to the notice of the State Appropriate Authority, GNCT of Delhi that the Genetic labs located outside Delhi are collecting the genetic material samples for investigation from the centres registered in Delhi without their own Genetic Lab registration in Delhi under PC&PNDT Act. Hence the movement of the genetic material is not being monitored, which has a probability/possibility of being misused for the purpose of the sex selection etc.

And whereas, as per the PC&PNDT Act - *Section 3(1) & Section 18(1) of the said Act prohibits functioning of any Genetic Laboratory without registration under any Appropriate Authority. Section 3(3) prohibits practice/doing business other than a place registered under this Act. Section 18(5) empowers the Appropriate Authorities to grant or reject functioning/doing business of any Lab until unless Appropriate Authority is satisfied.*

And whereas, it can be said that the Genetic Laboratories are doing business (E.g. Collection of samples etc.,) at a place other than a place registered (i.e. in Delhi State) under this Act without mandatory PC&PNDT registration.

Hence, for the purpose of proper record maintenance and monitoring so as to avoid the misuse of the genetic sample under the aforesaid Act, all such Genetic Labs are hereby directed to get themselves register in GNCT of Delhi under

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PC&PNDT Act for the place where samples are collected and then only samples are further transferred to a registered genetic lab outside Delhi for investigation under the aforesaid Act.

All the registered centers under GNCTD are hereby directed to stop doing business with such kind of genetic Labs with immediate effect and further any kind of association with any genetic labs for outsourcing of genetic samples should be done with prior approval of the Appropriate Authorities only.

Any non-compliance will be liable for legal actions under PC&PNDT ACT and other applicable laws as deemed fit.



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1. Ps to Secretary (Health & Family Welfare)/ State Appellate Authority (PC& PNDT), I.P. State 9<sup>th</sup> floor Delhi Secretariat.
2. Spl. Secy. I (H&FW), GNCTD, 9th Level Players' Building, Delhi Secretariat, I.P. Estate, New Delhi - 110002
3. All District Appropriate Authorities, with a request to disseminate the information to all the concerned centers in their respective district.



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