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NOTIFICATION NO.8 /2025 Dated Kohima, the 15th February, 2025

NO.NBE-8/Ad-Misc(10)/2024-25:: The Cigarettes and other Tobacco Products (Prohibition of advertisement and Regulation of Trade and Commerce, Production, Supply and Distribution) COTPA Act 2023, Section 6 clearly states that: "No person shall sell, offer for sale or permit sale of cigarettes or any other tobacco product

- a) To any person who is under eighteen years of age.
- b) In an area within a radius of one hundred yards of any educational institution"

In this light of the provision of the COTPA Act 2003, all Heads of registered Institutions must ensure that there is strict ban on the sale of gutkhas and other tobacco products and the possession in any form is strictly prohibited, within and around the vicinity of the school.

Schools are directed to conduct awareness programs on the ill effects and health risk associated with tobacco use, sun flower drugs etc., to protect the well-being of our students. Furthermore, schools may also conduct counselling programs for students who may be struggling with tobacco use.

(Rangumbuing Nsarangbe)

Secretary

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- A. Copy for information and necessary action:
 - 1. The Heads of Registered Institution under NBSE
- B. Copy for information:
 - 1. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Government of Nagaland, School Education & SCERT, Nagaland, Kohima.
 - 2. The Principal Director, School Education, Nagaland, Kohima.

C. Office copy.

(Rangumbuing Nsarangbe)

Secretary