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Subject: Calling of Intern to strengthen the Data Management System in different divisions of PSACS.

Dear Dr. Aggarwal,

The Punjab State AIDS Control Society (PSACS) under the aegis of National AIDS Control Organization (NACO), MoHFW, Government of India has been implementing the National AIDS Control Programme (NACP) by providing HIV/AIDS prevention, testing and treatment among the high risk and at risk population with the goal towards ending the HIV/AIDS as a public health threat by 2030, "leaving no one behind".

Under NACP-V, PSACS has been implementing the following key strategies to accelerate the process of reversal and further strengthen the response:

- Intensifying and Consolidating Prevention services with a focus on HRG and vulnerable populations
- Expanding IEC services for (a) general population and (b) high risk groups with a focus on behaviour change and demand generation
- Increasing access and promoting Comprehensive Care, Support and Treatment
- Strengthening institutional capacities
- Strategic Information Management Systems (SIMS)

I am pleased to inform you that PSACS would like to start an internship programme for your students. PSACS can offer excellent training and educational opportunities for your students. Our experienced field functionaries and division chiefs can guide students by working closely with your faculty and develop an internship programme that meet the requirements of your course. Thus, internship programmes can be curated to meet the requirements of your degree programmes in your institutions and also personalize it to each student's requirements. Internship with PSACS will enable students to understand challenges in real world public health management and also learn employable skills for their future employment. PSACS will also benefit from the energy, drive and enthusiasm of your students and faculty. Thus, I believe that the internship programme would a win-win for both your institution and PSACS.

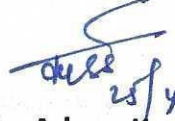
I would deeply appreciate it if you could display the notice attached along with this letter on your institution's noticeboard/website, disseminate this to students through emails, Whatsapp groups or any other medium that works best for the institution and students, share this internship

programme with your faculty members, and finally encourage students of your institutions to submit their applications.

If you have any suggestions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the undersigned on the contact number (6284-337-920) or email address (karthik.adapa@ias.gov.in).

Best wishes,

Yours Sincerely,


(Dr. Adapa Karthik)

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Enclosures: Public Notice, Application Form.

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