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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Implementation of austerity measures - reg.

All the bureau Heads are reminded that, there is a need to adopt and promote "nationally responsible lifestyle choices" as given below:

- i. Reduce fuel consumption through use of public transport i.e., metro rail, car pooling and increasing adoption of electric vehicles.
- ii. Reduction in air travel both international and domestic for seminars, conferences, exposure visits, study tours etc.
- iii. Holding Seminars, Conferences, Workshops and Meetings through virtual platforms such as video conferencing and online meeting applications.
- iv. Physical meetings / official tours involving travel outside headquarters should generally be avoided and permission is to be granted only in cases where it cannot be effectively conducted through virtual mode.
- v. Expenditure on refreshments in ceremonial functions, events and seminars should be kept to the minimum.
- vi. Implement 'Vocal for Local' idea by prioritising purchase and use of locally manufactured (Swadeshi) products for daily-use.
- vii. Reduce consumption of edible oil to benefit both the country's economy and public health.
- viii. To increase use of renewable energy through installation of solar power infrastructure.

2. Accordingly, all BHs and all autonomous organisations under Department of Higher Education are requested to adopt and promote the above measures at the institutional level and also disseminate the same amongst their employees to adapt these nationally responsible lifestyle choices.

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1. Heads of all Autonomous Organisations of DoHE

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