Subject: Video Conference chaired by the Hon'ble Union HRD Minister to promote digital payments.

The Hon'ble Union HRD Minister held a meeting through video conferencing with the Administrative Secretaries of Higher Education and Technical Education of various States as well as with the Vice Chancellors of Universities. A summary of the major decisions taken in the meeting is given below. It is requested that immediate necessary action may be initiated by all concerned officials to implement these decisions.

1. A digital awareness programme would be run in a Mission Mode between December 12, 2016 and January 12, 2017 to promote non-cash/digital receipts and payments.

2. Bank Accounts of all stakeholders like teachers, students, officials, workers etc. shall be got opened and seeded with their Aadhar and mobile phone details. In case of existing Bank Accounts, seeding with Aadhar and mobile phone numbers will be completed immediately.

3. Use of plastic money through debit cards, pre-paid cards, credit cards, ATM cards and so on would be promoted to the maximum limit.

4. Each institution/University would organize training of all of its staff members, officials and workers/employees in the next one week so that they are able to use non-cash, digital methods of payments and expenditure.

5. Some selected students would be first trained as Master Trainers in various modes of digital payments. They alongwith the trained faculty members/officials would then further train the remaining students. Then each student would train members of his family. Subsequently the family of that student may train 10 other families in the neighbourhood in various modes of digital payments.

6. Services of various student organizations like NSS, NCC, volunteer groups etc. may be taken in this regard. All the staff & students would also register themselves on the Website of the HRD Ministry as well as on www.cashlessharyana.nic.in.

7. Each institute/University would tie-up with local neighborhood in the nearby municipal areas and nearby villages to popularize and demonstrate various modes of digital payments and receipts. It would be desirable if

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such expositions, awareness camps, trainings etc. are held first in the urban areas where cash transactions are the maximum.

8. Vice Chancellor or in-charge of each institute like Principal, Director Principal and so on would tie-up with the local Deputy Commissioner and the Lead District Manager to ensure that a proper co-operation & co-ordination is achieved in promoting digital payments since the Deputy Commissioners are already deeply involved in this campaign.

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A copy is forwarded to the following for immediate necessary action with a request to send an Action Taken Report (ATR) at the earliest:-

1. All the Deputy Commissioners in the State.

2. Vice Chancellors, YMCA University of Science & Technology, Faridabad / Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology, Hisar / Deenbandhu Chhotu Ram University of Science & Technology, Murthal (Sonipat) and State University of Performing & Visual Arts, Rohtak.

3. All the Principals of Govt. Polytechnics/Govt. aided Polytechnics/Govt. Polytechnic Education Societies in the State.

4. All the Directors/Principals of Self-Financing Institutions (Polytechnic & Engineering).

Principal Secretary to Govt. Haryana Technical Education Department