

**MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY ROHTAK**

(A NAAC accredited A+ Grade State University established under Haryana Act No. 25 of 1975)

**GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BRANCH**

**COOPERATION IN FORBIDDING TOBACCO PRODUCTS ON CAMPUS SHOPS**

As part of its resolution to disallow sale of tobacco products like cigarettes, biris, gutka, khaini etc. on the campus, the university deputed officials from time to time to check the shops on the campus whether they have any such forbidden product for sale. Nevertheless, merely official mechanism to deter such wrongdoers who indulge in such nefarious activities for their personal monetary gains at the cost of health of campus users may prove insufficient. Also it becomes the moral and bounden duty of all responsible campus users to not to procure any tobacco product from any seller within the campus. Still some members of the university fraternity may not resist procuring such items from campus shops to fulfil their petty interests; knowing fully well that they are promoting illegality for small convenience.

Such prospective buyers are hereby reminded that as per the Act passed by Government of India titled as “THE CIGARETTES AND OTHER TOBACCO PRODUCTS (PROHIBITION OF ADVERTISEMENT AND REGULATION OF TRADE AND COMMERCE, PRODUCTION, SUPPLY AND DISTRIBUTION) ACT, 2003” there is complete prohibition on sale of cigarette or other tobacco products on the campus of an educational institution. It stipulates that “No person shall sell, offer for sale, or permit sale of, cigarette or any other tobacco product– (a) to any person who is under eighteen years of age, and (b) in an area within a radius of one hundred yards of any educational institution.” Further its use is also banned in public places that include educational institutions. In view of these binding regulations all the colleagues are requested to not to indulge in any such purchase from any shop located on the campus and desist from using tobacco products in public places. They are also expected to immediately inform this office if they find any shopkeeper selling any tobacco products in the university. All are requested to help the university become completely tobacco free, especially as aside the legal provisions this would help save the susceptible youngsters beforehand from any further substance abuse consumed through cigarettes or mixed with tobacco and save their precious future and career, to build which they enroll in educational institutions.

It also goes without saying that indulgence in any such forbidden act in the university may make one liable to face disciplinary proceedings. Everybody’s kind cooperation is solicited in this noble cause.

October 23, 2019

Deputy Registrar (General Administration)

Copy of the above is forwarded to all the departments, institutes and offices etc. in the university with the request to all the professors and officers heading these to note the contents and also circulate among their colleagues for compliance. Director, UCC may kindly upload it on the website for display.