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Dear Colleague,

I would like to draw your kind attention to the National Task Force constituted by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its judgment dated 24.03.2025 in Criminal Appeal No. 1425/2025 [SLP (Crl.) No. 13324/2024] concerning the prevention of student suicides in Higher Educational Institutions.

2. As part of its deliberations, the National Task Force, has launched a series of surveys on its official website <https://ntf.education.gov.in/> to gather crucial inputs from stakeholders i.e. students, parents, faculty members and **Higher Education Institutions**.
3. As informed by NTF that there has been miniscule number of responses on Institutional Survey from Higher Education Institutions of some of the States. Hon'ble Supreme Court has also taken cognizance of this matter and has issued directions for the Institutions to fill the Survey on the NTF portal.
4. I would therefore request you to treat this matter with utmost priority and ensure that the National Task Force (NTF) Institute Surveys are submitted by 28th November positively. Institutions are also strongly encouraged to widely disseminate information about the surveys to all the stakeholders.
5. NTF is having meeting with Nodal Officers of States/UTs separately for follow up.
6. I would also request you to coordinate with Ms. Aparna Bhat, Senior Advocate, Amicus Curiae, Mb. No. 9811113979, Email: aparna.bhat@gmail.com, for the ongoing one-on-one online interactions between Nodal Officers from States/UTs and National Task Force members.

With regards,

Encl: As above

Yours sincerely,

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