To all the Home Secretaries of the States/UTs
(As per list)

Subject: Action against quacks and so-called ojhas etc.

Sir,

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that in certain parts of the Country, the quacks, so-called ojhas and ghost-busters defraud and treat people with inhuman cruelty in the name of healing them with supernatural powers. They spread superstition and take advantage of the gullible people in the name of medical treatment. Although such deceitful and barbaric activities are often brought to our notice by the media, very little is done by the law enforcement machineries to prevent such unlawful activities.

2. All the State Governments/UT Administrations are, therefore, requested to take necessary measures to prevent such unlawful activities of the quacks etc. and to take stern action against the culprits.

3. The State Governments/UT Administrations are requested to inform this Ministry about the action taken in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

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