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To

- 1. Principal Secretary/ACS of Home Department of all States & UTs.
- 2. The Director Generals of Police of all State Governments.
- 3. The Inspector General/Commissioner of Police of all Union Territories.

Sub: Review meeting of the 'Anti-Human Trafficking' Nodal Officers of all States and UTs held on 8.6.2017 at New Delhi – inter-State coordination.

Sir/Madam,

A review meeting of the Nodal Officers of Anti-Human Trafficking was convened by MHA under the chairmanship of Joint Secretary (CS) at New Delhi on 8.6.2017. During the deliberations of the meeting, it was noted that Trafficking in Persons is an organized crime which has inter-State ramifications. The participants voiced the need to have greater **inter-State coordination** for apprehension and rescue of the victims of trafficking and investigation and prosecution of the offenders, which will go long way in curbing the crime of human trafficking.

- 2. The States and UTs are therefore requested to establish mechanisms for effective inter-State coordination between the law enforcement officers concerned. The State and UTs are also advised to make use of technology in sharing information about the victims of trafficking as well as the traffickers/ offenders, which will result in making the system robust and bring in greater efficiency and efficacy in addressing this crime.
- 3. It is therefore requested that all concerned officers may be suitably sensitized to extend cooperation to the officers/team of other State involved in investigating the cases of human trafficking having inter-State ramifications.

Yours sincerely

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