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2nd Floor, Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, India Gate, New Delhi, Dated the // November, 2019

To

The Principal Secretary (Home) of all States & UT Administrations.

Subject:- Unlawful network of spurious liquor (Hooch) manufacturers and distributors – Regarding.

Sir/Madam,

National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has taken suo-motu cognizence of a news report under caption "Hooch Toll In Assam Reaches 143" published in Hindustan Times dated 25-Feb-2019. NHRC has stated that the law is in existence to deal with this menace, however, there is a need to sensitize the police and the excise authorities in the States/UTs to be more active and vigilant so that precious human lives are not lost in such incidents.

- 2. An effective mechanism is required to be evolved to curb the unlawful network of spurious liquor manufacturers and distributors and if necessary, special teams at the District level be constituted to clamp down on perpetrators of law, in an effective manner.
- 3. You are, therefore, requested to kindly issue necessary directions for enhancing police patrolling and vigil in the affected areas of your State/UT and take strict legal action against the culprits.

Yours faithfully.

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The DGPs of all States/ UT Administrations.

