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Sub: Cigarettes and other Tobacco products ACT (COPTA)
implementation into the Fire Safety Code for Buildings in
Karnataka.

Ref: Letter dated 08-03-2014 of the Director, Cancer prevention
Project, Institute of Public Health, No.250, Master's Cottage, 2nd 'C'
cross, 2nd 'C' Main, Girinagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560 085.

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A copy of the above letter in which implementation of tobacco control act, COTPA-Cigarettes and other tobacco product act in the state and request our support to include the section 4 of COTPA into the fire safety code for buildings in Karnataka is enclosed.

Section 4 of COTPA prohibits smoking in all public places which include any place to which the public have access, whether as of right or not, and includes business places and offices, corporate houses, shopping malls, theatres, factories, hospitals, amusement centers, restaurants, public offices, court buildings etc and it is mandatory to put up 'No Smoking Boards" as specified in Schedule II of COTPA to be displayed prominently at the entrance of the public place.

In this regard, while preparing inspection report for issue of NOC/Advice for all types of High Rise Buildings, Low rise buildings, theatres, industries, restaurants, amusement centers, circus etc., you should strictly recommend the applicant that they should provide '**No Smoking Boards**' at entrance, conspicuous places inside & entrance to the lifts at each floor etc..

1 **Director General of Police**
and Director General,
Karnataka Fire & Emergency Services

To

- 1) All the Chief Fire Officers.
- 2) All the Regional Fire Officers.
- 3) All the District Fire Officers.
- 4) All the Fire Station Officers.

Copy with compliments to Director, Cancer prevention Project, Institute of Public Health; No.250, Master's Cottage, 2nd 'C' cross, 2nd 'C' Main, Girinagar, 1st Phase, Bangalore-560 085.