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**Sub: Closing of Op Avalanche Forecasting Services for the Winter Season 2022-23**

1. Seasonal snow cover in the North-West Himalaya (NWH), Central Himalaya (CH) and North-East Himalaya (NEH) has almost ablated as per daily data received from DGRE observatories in these regions. Accordingly avalanche danger has reduced significantly.
2. In view of the above, regular avalanche warning bulletins (AWBs) have been discontinued w.e.f. 1<sup>st</sup> Jun 2023. However, while negotiating any specific avalanche prone slope still loaded with snow/ice, following safety measures must be adhered to:
  - I. Do not move in cluster. Cross avalanche path one by one with at least 30 meter distance between two individuals.
  - II. Avoid movement in formation zones of snow loaded avalanche prone slopes.
  - III. Avoid movement during and up to 24 hours after snowfall/rainfall.
  - IV. Keep avalanche rescue team (ART) at beck & call.
3. Concerned authorities are also advised to properly mark the avalanche prone road/track sections with warning signboards.
4. The regular operational avalanche forecasting services for 2023-24 winter season will resume from 01<sup>st</sup> Nov 2023.
5. This is for information of all concerned.

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