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From,

Rahul Kumar Purwar
Secretary
Department of Higher and Technical Education
Government of Jharkhand
Ranchi

To,

Vice Chancellor
All State Universities and Private Universities

Sub: Regarding Adult Education "New India Literacy Programme (NILP)

Ref: D.O No. 5-62/2022--PN II dated 29.12.2022 of Ministry of Education

Sir/Madam

The National Education Policy, 2020 aims at achieving 100 percent adult literacy through strong and innovative government initiatives for adult education. In this direction, Government of India has approved centrally sponsored scheme on Adult Education "New India Literacy Programme (NILP)" for eradicating illiteracy in the country.

As per direction from Ministry of Education, New Delhi, there is a need to involve students from all Higher Education Institutes in order to achieve the objective of 100 percent Adult Literacy. The students can teach 3-4 non-literates of 15 years and above per year voluntarily and appropriate credits in the Credit Framework may be considered.

In order to achieve the objective of NEP, 2020 all the Universities and colleges are requested to execute the following advisories as mentioned in the D.O No.- 5-62/2022--PN II issued by MoE: -

- (i) All Universities with Departments/ Centres of Adult Education/ Continuing Education/ Lifelong Learning/ Extension may include mandatory teaching of atleast 5 or above non-literates by students in every academic year in their course work or assignment for compilation of their degree.
- (ii) All other organization/institution under UGC offering Under Graduate, Post Graduate and other higher academic courses may include certain credits for their activity. The credit may be given after the learner under them get literate certificate.
- (iii) A provision for issuing certificates to such volunteers from University can be made to encourage students.
- (iv) Students can be trained by the Universities/ HEIs to carry out activities as per the guidelines of NNILP.

Therefore, it is requested that the University and colleges shall take necessary steps as per the advisories issued by MoE to ensure 100 percent adult literacy in the state.

Encl: As above

Yours sincerely



(Rahul Kumar Purwar)

Secretary



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Dated 29.12.2022

Dear Secretary,

After announcement of National Education Policy 2020, all the relevant regulatory bodies / implementing agencies under Ministry of Education are taking initiatives to implement it.

2. One of the NEP, 2020 recommendations include strong and innovative government initiatives for adult education to expedite this all-important aim of achieving 100% literacy. In this direction, Government of India has approved centrally sponsored scheme on Adult Education 'New India Literacy Programme (NILP)' with a financial outlay of Rs 1037.90 crore to be implemented during the period 2022-23 to 2026-27, which will definitely result in eradicating illiteracy in the country.

3. NEP, 2020 provides that HEIs, in addition to teaching and research, will have other crucial responsibilities, which they will discharge through appropriate resourcing, incentives, and structures. This inter-alia includes participating in community engagement and service, adult and vocational education etc. Also flexible and innovative curricula of HEIs shall include credit-based courses and projects in community engagement and service etc. Further, NEP 2020 in Para 21.7 also states that '*Qualified community members including from HEIs as part of each HEI's mission to engage with their local communities will be encouraged and welcomed to take a short training course and volunteer, as adult literacy instructors, or to serve as one-on-one volunteer tutors, and will be recognized for their critical service to the nation*'.

4. In order to accelerate the objectives of Adult Literacy, there is need of involving students from all Higher Education Institutions Viz. Universities, Colleges and other Educational Institutions for robust implementation of New India Literacy Programme to eradicate illiteracy in the country. For this purpose, students need to be involved as Volunteer Teachers from the next academic session. The students can take on to teach 3-4 non-literates of 15 years and above per year voluntarily toward this end and appropriate credits in the Credit Framework for this activity may be considered.

5. To achieve the objective of NEP 2020, the following advisories may be issued to Universities / HEIs to execute them as academic mandates:

(i) All Universities with Departments / Centres of Adult Education / Continuing Education / Lifelong Learning / Extension may include mandatory teaching of at least 5 or above non-literates by students in every academic year in their course work as a project or assignment for compilation of their degree.

(ii) All other organisation / institution under UGC offering Under-Graduate, Post-Graduate and other higher academic courses may include certain credits for their activity. The credit may be given after the learner under them get 'literate' certificate.

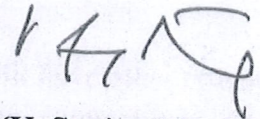
(iii) A provision for issuing certificates to such volunteers from University/State Government can be made to encourage students.

(iv) Students can be trained by the Universities / HEIs to carry out the activities as per the guidelines of NNILP.

6. I would therefore request you to issue suitable advisories to all Universities / Higher Educational Institutions so as to harness the huge potential and resources of Higher Education Institutions to contribute in achievement of 100% literacy in the country.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



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