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Directorate of Higher Education

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1

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Dated: Shimla-171001 the 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

To

1. The Deputy Director of Higher Education,  
All the Districts in Himachal Pradesh.
2. All the Principal/Headmaster,  
Govt./Pvt.Sen.Sec./High Schools in HP.

**Subject: - International Mother Language Day.**

In pursuance to Government of India D.O.No. 1-1/2021-KT dated 18/02/2021, received through Secretary (Edu.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, on the above mentioned subject.

In this regard, as you aware, UNESCO has declared 21<sup>st</sup> February every year as **International Mother Language Day** to celebrate the International Mother Language Day, all the Schools are advised to organize various activities every year. However, this year Matribhasha Diwas is being celebrated jointly by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Culture as Webinar from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021. The **inaugural function will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2021 between 11:00AM and 12:00 Noon** through virtual mode. Shri Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India will be the Chief Guest on the occasion and Hon'ble Education Minister and Hon'ble Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (I/C) and Minister of State for Education shall be Guests of honour. The Link to the webinar is [webcast.gov.in/mhrd](http://webcast.gov.in/mhrd), [education.gov.in](http://education.gov.in) and [education.gov.in/hi](http://education.gov.in/hi).

In view of above, you are directed to take appropriate action in the matter accordingly. The copy of above mentioned letter is also enclosed herewith for taking necessary action in the matter.

**Encls: As above**

(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma),  
Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. Even Dated Shimla-1 the 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2021

Copy for information and further necessary action is forwarded to:-

- 1 The Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of H.P for information please.
- 2 Technical Officer, IT Cell, with the directions to upload this letter on the Departmental website.
- 3 Guard File.

Director of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh



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February 18, 2021

D.O. No. I-1/2021-KT

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you are aware, UNESCO has declared 21<sup>st</sup> February every year as **International Mother Language Day** to promote the dissemination of mother tongue and awareness of linguistic and cultural traditions throughout the world and to inspire solidarity based on understanding, tolerance and dialogue.

2. To celebrate the International Mother Language Day, all the schools are advised to organize various activities every year. However, this year Matribhasha Diwas is being celebrated jointly by the Ministry of Education and Ministry of Culture as Webinar from 21<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021. The **inaugural function will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> February, 2021 between 11.00 AM and 12.00 Noon** through virtual mode. Shri Venkaiah Naidu, Hon'ble Vice President of India will be the Chief Guest on the occasion and Hon'ble Education Minister and Hon'ble Minister of State for Culture and Tourism (I/C) and Minister of State for Education shall be Guests of Honour.

3. I would request you to participate in the inaugural function of the Matribhasha Diwas and also to encourage all schools under your purview and the students to participate in the webinar. The link to the webinar is [webcast.gov.in/mhrd](http://webcast.gov.in/mhrd), [education.gov.in](http://education.gov.in) and [education.gov.in/hi](http://education.gov.in/hi).

With regards,

Yours sincerely

*Geetu Joshi*  
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To  
Education Secretaries of all States and UTs.

Copy to : (for information and necessary action)

1. The Chairperson, Central Board of Secondary Education
2. The Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan
3. The Commissioner, Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti
4. The Director, Central Tibetan Schools Administration (CTSA)
5. The Chairman, National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)
6. Director, National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)
7. The Chairperson, National Council of Teacher Education (NCTE)

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Handwritten notes and signatures on the left margin, including '1/18/21' and '1.50pm'.