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The Directorate of Higher Education (RUSA Cell) on the behalf of State Council of Higher Education has submitted the State Higher Education Plan to the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) Government of India New Delhi on 29-01-2014 for Rs. 956.37 crores for 12<sup>th</sup> Five-Year Plan (2012-2017) for faculty support, infrastructure grants to all Government Colleges including Sanskrit, Engineering, Government Aided Colleges, Himachal Pradesh University Shimla and Himachal Pradesh Technical University Hamirpur. The sharing pattern is 90:10 (Centre: State) i.e. the Central share is Rs.860.74 crores and the State share is 95.63 crores under the proposal.

The State Higher Education Council has proposed for opening two Model Colleges in Educationally Backward Districts of Sirmour and Chamba at Sarahan and Chatrari respectively. Besides, one Engineering College has been proposed for district Kangra. The proposal for up-gradation of three colleges as Model Colleges at Sangrah in Sirmour, Tissa in Chamba and Reckong Peo in Kinnaur also finds mention in the proposed plan. It is worth mentioning that about one thousand posts of Assistant Professors in Government Colleges and Himachal Pradesh University Shimla are also proposed to be funded by Govt. of India during the 12<sup>th</sup> Five-Year Plan under RUSA.

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