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Dated:

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November, 2024

To

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education

Himachal Pradesh.

Subject: -

Identification and early screening of CwSN through PRASHAST app in Himachal

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Pradesh.

Please find enclosed herewith a photocopy of letter No. EDUC-F010/14/2023-EDU-C (160158), dated 13<sup>th</sup> November, 2024 received from Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, on the subject cited above.

In this regard, it is intimated that to address the critical issues of low enrollment and high dropout rates among Children with Special Needs (CwSN) from Class VIII onwards, as indicated in recent U-DISE+ data, the Ministry of Education, Government of India, has launched a 100-day Action Plan. This plan focuses on the early screening and identification of differently-abled students through the PRASHAST (Pre-Assessment Holistic Screening Tool) mobile application. Therefore, all Principals, Headmasters, teachers, and Special Educators are required to download the PRASHAST mobile application and actively participate in the screening of CwSN.

In view of above, you are directed to issue necessary directions to all the Principals, Headmasters, Teachers, and Special Educators of educational institutions in your respective district to download and register on the RASHAST mobile App and ensure to participate actively in the screening of children with special needs.

Encl: As above.

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

November, 2024

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The Secretary Education to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

The State Project Director (SS), Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

The Technical Officer (IT) int. D.H.E. HP to upload the same on the official website of the Department.

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Director of Higher Education Himachal Pradesh.

EDUC-F010/14/2023-EDU-C (160158) Government of Himachal Pradesh Department of Elementary Education

From:

Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

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1. The Director of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

2. The Director of Elementary Education, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

Dated: Shimla-171002, the

13 November, 2024

Subject: -

Identification and early screening of CwSN through PRASHAST app in Himachal Pradesh.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to say that to address the critical issues of low enrollment and high dropout rates among Children with Special Needs (CwSN) from Class VIII onwards, as indicated in recent U-DISE+ data, the Ministry of Education, Government of India, has launched a 100-day Action Plan. This plan focuses on the early screening and identification of differently-abled students through the PRASHAST (Pre-Assessment Holistic Screening Tool) mobile application. Accordingly, all Principals, Headmasters, teachers, and Special Educators are required to download the PRASHAST mobile application and actively participate in the screening of CwSN. It has been observed that only 13% of the targeted users in Himachal Pradesh have registered on the application thus far.

You are, therefore, requested to issue necessary instructions to all stakeholders, making it mandatory to download and register on the PRASHAST mobile application. This is crucial for ensuring the early identification and support of CwSN, thereby enhancing their educational experience and outcomes.

Yours faithfully,

(Toolika Sharma)

Deputy Secretary (Ele. Edu.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No.: As above. Dated: Shimla-2, the November, 2024. Copy forwarded to the State Project Director (ISSE), Himachal Pradesh, w.r.t his letter NO. HPSES-HO-(SS)-IED/GOI-2021-2054 dated 04-11-2024 for

(Toolika Sharma) Deputy Secretary (Ele. Edu.) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh