

# DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 171001.

## PRESS RELEASE

It brings to your kind notice that Department of Higher Education; Himachal Pradesh is going to open the National Scholarship Portal (NSP) <https://scholarships.gov.in/> for the Session **2021-2022** for apply and submit online application forms under the various **State, Central and Minority Sponsored Scholarship Schemes** and the **DBT Mission, cabinet Secretariat** has decided in consultation with all stakeholder Ministries / Departments to implement the following measures to further secure the Portal:-

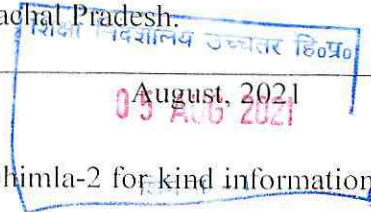
- i. **Authentication of Level 1(L1) & Level- (L2) officers:- Aadhaar based demographic authentication of Institute/ District Nodal Officers (INOs/DNOs) has been made mandatory prior to the verification of the applications by them for which the INOs/DNOs have to provide their Aadhaar number on NSP Portal.**

The facility of Aadhaar based authentication of **L1** and **L2** level officers has been made **live** on the NSP Portal and the **OTP** generated during the process will be sent to the **mobile number registered with the Aashaar** of INO/DNO/SNO. NSP will be using the same mobile no. for all communication and sending OTPs in future. The procedure for KYC for new Institute Nodal Officer is also attached for reference. The NSP login of the INO would be operational post completion of KYC at NSP using the Aadhaar number of the INO. **Home page>> services >> Institution KYC Registration form.**

- ii. A feature of **Aadhaar demographic authentication** based on beneficiary's /students **name, gender** and **year of birth** given in **Aadhaar** has been introduced on NSP Portal.

Therefore, all the Head(s) of Institution(s)/ School(s)/ College(s)/ Universities/ Deputy Directors of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh are requested to take note of the above decision and initiate appropriate action accordingly.

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1. The Secretary (Edu.), to the Govt of Himachal Pradesh, HP Shimla-2 for kind information please.
2. The Deputy Secretary, to the Govt. of India, 11<sup>th</sup> floor, Pt. DeendayalAntyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex., Lodhi Road, New Delhi-110003 w.r.t. letter No.SS-15/13/2020-Scholarship-MoMA dated 02-08-2021 for information please
3. The Director, Directorate for Empowerment of SCs, OBCs, Minorities & the Specially Abled, Block No.-33, SDA Complex Shimla-171009 for information please.
4. The Director, All India Radio Centre, Shimla, Doordarshan Centre, Shimla.
5. The Editor, The Tribune, Amar Ujala, Divya Himachal, Punjab Kesari, Dainik Bhaskar, Dainik Jagran Shimla to publish the Press Release on Newspaper.
6. The Director, Public Information and Public Relation Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 171002, for publication please.
7. The TO, IT Cell, DHE HP, with direction to upload the above Press Release on the Departmental website.

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