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No.EDN-HE(21)A(3)06/2020-V-Vol-I Directorate of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1 Tel:0177-2653120, Extn.234, Fax:2812882, Email: dhe-sml-hp@gov.in Shimla-1 Dated the 25th November, 2020



To

- 1. All the Principals, Government/Pvt. Aided Degree/ Skt./ Fine Art Colleges in, Himachal Pradesh
- 2. All the Dy. Directors of Higher Education/ Elementary Education, Himachal Pradesh
- 3. All the Principals/ Headmasters, Government/Pvt. Sen. Sec./ High Schools in, Himachal Pradesh

Subject:-

Reopening of Educational Institutions in Himachal Pradesh.

In pursuance to GoHP letter No.EDN-B-B(14)-12/2018 dated 25-11-2020, received from the Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, GOI, MHAs order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 30th September, 2020, Ministry of Education, Department of School Education and Literacy, GOI, letter No.F.No.11-16/2020-SCH4, dated 05-10-2020 and in continuation to this Directorate letters dated 12-10-2020 & dated 29-10-2020, and in view of the present situation of COVID-19 Pandemic, in the State, A.D. has taken decision on the following issues:-

- a) Schools upto elementary level (Class 1-8) would continue to remain closed for students till the situation improves substantially. On line studies and weekly assessment would resume from 26th November,2020.
- b) Teachers of Class 1-8 would continue to work from home and conduct online classes till 31st December, 2020.
- c) Regular classes for class 9th to 12th and Colleges would remain suspended till 31st December, 2020. Online classes would resume from 26th November, 2020 in High Schools, Sr. Sec. Schools and Colleges. However, Classes on Doordarshan Shimla under "Himachal Doordarshan Gyanashala Program" will resume from 16th December, 2020, onward.
- d) High School, Sr. Sec. School and College Teachers would continue to work from home and conduct online classes till 31st December, 2020.
- e) Online exams from 2nd term of Class 9th to 12th scheduled from Dec. 1st to Dec. 15th 2020 will be held as per schedule.
- f) High School, Sr. Sec. School and College Offices would function w.e.f. 26th November 2020. Headmasters and Principals would be liberty to call faculty members as per local requirements.
- g) Winter closing Schools will remain closed from 1st January to 12th February, 2021, however online classes would continue even during the winter time. Session would be extended in case of winter closing schools upto March,2021. Students of classes 1st to 4th and classes 6th to 7th would be

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promoted on the basis of their formative and summative assessment as per the provisions of RTE, 2009 in the month of March, 2021.

h) As per students of winter closing schools/ colleges would not be attending the classes, therefore winter vacation 2021-22 would be allowed to the teachers posted in winter closing school and colleges as per existing schedule, but they will conduct the online classes from their home which will be monitored by Headmasters and Principals.

Final Exams for Class 5th, 8th 9th & 11th would be conducted simultaneously

for winter and summer closing schools in March 2021.

Board Exams for 10th & 12th classes would be conducted in March, 2021 together for winter and summer closing Schools with 30 percent reduction in syllabus and increased options already notified by H.P. Board of School Education.

In view of above mentioned, you are directed to take further necessary action in the matter accordingly and these directions/ instructions may also be brought to the notice of all concerned and also be publicized widely for the information of Students and their parents.

This may be given personal attention and top priority please.

(Dr. Harish Kumar),

Joint Director of Higher Education(C),

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