

**No. EDN-HE(21)A(03)06/2020-V-Vol-I
Directorate of Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1**



Dated: Shimla-1, the 8th October, 2021

To

1. All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education in Himachal Pradesh
2. All the Principals/Headmasters Govt./Pvt.Sr.Sec./High Schools in Himachal Pradesh

Subject: - Regarding reopening of Schools in Himachal Pradesh

Memo:-

In Pursuance to Orders No. Rev(DMC) (C)20-2/2020-COVID-19, dated 08-10-2021, issued by the Revenue Department – Disaster Management Cell, and letter No. EDN-B(14)-12/2018-L, dated 8th October, 2021 issued by the Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of H.P. whereby it has been directed that :- **“Education Department is allowed to open the Schools from class 8th onwards will be open w.e.f. 11-10-2021 on all working days subject to SOP’s issued by Education Department adhering to the safety guidelines and appropriate behavior as per COVID-19 protocol”** and in continuation to this Directorate letter of even No. dated 25-09-2021. In this context, you are, therefore, directed to take further necessary action in the matter as per following:-

1. Attendance of Classes 9th to 12th is extended from existing 3 days to all working days of the week w.e.f. 11.10.2021.
2. Class 8th is also allowed to attend the schools regularly on all working days w.e.f.11.10.2021.
3. School Administration will strictly follow the standard SOPs issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Education Department of School Education and Literacy on 05.10.2020. **School administration will ensure compulsory wearing of mask, hand sanitization and maintenance of physical distancing.** Further, the link regarding SOP’s is also available on the Departmental website at https://education.hp.gov.in/sites/default/files/SOP_2.pdf

4. Online study material through Har Ghar Pathashala will also continue to be available to the students.
5. To ensure staggering of students and to follow all the SOPs and COVID-19 Guidelines, all the Principals and Headmasters are authorized to implement the micro plan already prepared for their respective school, as per availability of the accommodation.

It is, therefore, directed to follow these instruction in later and sprit and the strict compliance of implementation of the orders be ensured.



(Dr. Amarjeet K. Sharma)
Director of Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1

Endorsement No. Even, Dated: Shimla-1, the 8th October, 2021

Copy for information and further necessary action to:-

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2
2. State Project Director (ISSE) Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1
3. The Technical Officer, IT Cell with the direction to upload conspicuously this letter on the Departmental website.
4. Guard file.



Director of Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1

EDN-B-B(14)-12/2018-L
Department of Higher Education
Government of Himachal Pradesh

From The Secretary (Education) to
the Government of Himachal Pradesh.

To Directors,
Higher and Elementary Education , Lalpani, Shimla-171 001

Subject : **Regarding further re-opening of Schools in Himachal Pradesh.**
Dated : Shimla – 171 002 the 8th October, 2021

Sir,

In pursuance to GoHP Revenue (DMC) Department Order No. Rev(DMC)(C)20-2/2020-COVID-19 dated 8th October, 2021 whereby, it has been ordered that : "*Education Department is allowed to open the Schools from Class 8th onwards w.e.f. 11.10.2021 on all working days subject to SOPs issued by Education Department adhering to the safety guidelines and appropriate behavior as per COVID-19 protocols*" and in continuation to this Department letter no. EDN-B-B(14)-12/2018-L dated 25.09.2021 it is hereby directed that :-

- Attendance of Classes 9th to 12th is extended from existing 3 days to all working days of the week w.e.f. 11.10.2021.
- Class 8 is also allowed to attend the schools regularly on all working days w.e.f. 11.10.2021.
- Schools will strictly follow the standard SOPs issued by the Government of India Ministry of Education Department of School Education and Literacy on 05.10.2020 link to which is available on DHE website. School Administrations **will ensure compulsory wearing of mask, hand sanitization and maintenance of physical distancing.**
- Online study materials through Har Ghar Pathshala will also continue to be available to the students.

You are, therefore, directed to bring the above directions to the notice of all concerned for strict compliance.

Yours faithfully



(Meena Sharma)

Deputy Secretary (Hr. Education) to
the Government of Himachal Pradesh
8th October, 2021

Endst. No. : As above

Dated : Shimla

Copy forwarded to the following for information and necessary action:-

1. The Pr. Secretary (Revenue-DMC) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
2. The Secretary (Health) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh.
3. All the Deputy Commissioners in Himachal Pradesh.



(Meena Sharma)

Deputy Secretary (Hr. Education) to
the Government of Himachal Pradesh

Rev (DMC) (C) 20-2/2020-COVID-19
Government of Himachal Pradesh
Revenue Department-Disaster Management Cell

Shimla-171002
Date: 8th October, 2021

ORDER

Taking note of the present situation of COVID-19 active cases and positivity rate in the State, the undersigned in the capacity of the Chairman (SEC) in exercise of the powers conferred under section 22(2)(h) and section 24 of the Disaster Management Act 2005, hereby directs that:

Education Department is allowed to open the Schools from Class 8th onwards w.e.f. 11.10.2021 on all working days subject to SOPs issued by Education Department adhering to the safety guidelines and appropriate behaviour as per COVID-19 protocols.

Penal Provisions:

Any person violating these measures and not following COVID appropriate behavior will be liable to be proceeded against as per the provision of Section 51-60 of the Disaster Management Act, 2005, besides entailing legal action under Section 188 of the IPC, and other legal provisions as applicable.

This order will come into effect immediately in all districts and shall remain in force till further order. All other restrictions and relaxations shall remain as per previous orders.

Approved by

(Ram Subhag Singh)
Chief Secretary cum Chairman, SEC
Himachal Pradesh.

To

1. All the Administrative Secretaries to the GoHP.
2. All the Head of Departments, Himachal Pradesh.
3. All the Divisional Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh.
4. All the Deputy Commissioner, Himachal Pradesh.
5. The Director I&PR for wider dissemination.

Copy for information to:

1. The Home Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India
2. All the Member of HPSDMA
3. All the Member of the HP State Executive Committee.
4. The Principal PS-cum-Special Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister-cum-Chairperson HPSDMA.


Principal Secretary (Revenue) to the
Government of Himachal Pradesh