## EDN-HE(14)-1/2025 IT CELL (AEBAS) **Directorate of Higher Education**

**Himachal Pradesh** 

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To

All the Principals, Government Colleges, Himachal Pradesh.

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15 NOV 2025

Subject:

Clarification regarding Geofence-based Biometric Attendance System.

This is with reference to Letter No. HGCTA-DHE-HP-2025/26-66 dated 14-11-2025, received from the General Secretary, HGCTA, as well as earlier representations submitted by various Government Colleges regarding the implementation of the Geofence-based Biometric Attendance System.

In this regard, a clarification was sought from the Department of Digital Technology & Governance (DIT), the implementing agency (copy enclosed). The DIT has furnished the following clarifications:

- 1. Data Privacy & Security: Aadhaar authentication will be used strictly and solely for recording attendance. All data shall remain securely stored in the Himachal Pradesh State Data Centre (HPSDC) in compliance with the Aadhaar Act, the IT Act, and all applicable data-protection guidelines.
- 2. Device Compatibility: The Aadhaar-based Attendance System is deployed as a mobile application and will be available on both Android and iOS platforms.
- 3. Alternative Arrangements: In case any employee misplaces or forgets their mobile phone, attendance may be marked by logging in through a colleague's mobile device using the employee's own Him Access credentials.

For any technical issues or support, the Digital Helpline may be contacted at 0177-3525101/102.

Therefore, all are requested to bring these clarifications to the notice of all teaching and non-teaching staff and ensure compliance with the instructions issued by the Government.

This website: letter is also available departmental on https://education.hp.gov.in/.

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

15<sup>th</sup> Nov, 2025 Endst. No. Even dated: Shimla-171001 the

Copy for information to:

1. The Secretary (Education), Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-2.

2. Dr. Banita Saklani, Assistant Professor(Botany), President HGCTA, Vallabh Government College, Mandi, District Mandi, H.P.

3. Dr. Sanjay Kango, Assistant Professor (Chemistry), General Secretary HGCTA, Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Memorial Utkrisht PG College, Hamirpur, H.P.



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Department of Digital Technologies & Governance Government of Himachal Pradesh

From

Director,

Department of Digital Technologies & Governance,

Himachal Pradesh

To

The Director.

Higher Education, Lalapani, Shimla-1.

Dated: Shimla: 171013,

the 29 September, 2025

Subject:

Regarding Implementation of Aadhaar Based Attendance System (AEBAS)

in Higher Education Colleges.

Sir,

Please refer to your office letter No. EDN-HE(14)-1/2025 IT Cell (AEBAS) dated 06-09-2025 on the subject cited above. In this regard, it is informed that, in response to the concerns raised by the colleges regarding the implementation of AEBAS, the following clarifications are provided:

- Data Privacy: The application will strictly use Aadhaar authentication solely for the purpose of recording attendance. All attendance data will be securely stored in the HP State Data Centre (HPSDC) in compliance with the Aadhaar Act, IT Act, and applicable data protection guidelines.
- Device Compatibility: The Aadhaar-based Attendance System is deployed as a mobile application and will be available on both Android and iOS platforms to ensure broad compatibility and ease of use.
- Alternative Arrangements: In case an employee misplaces or forgets their mobile phone, they may mark attendance by logging in through a colleague's mobile device using their own HimAccess credentials. For any technical difficulties, employees may contact the Digital Helpline at 0177-3525101/02 for support.

It is, further, requested that an official order may kindly be issued to mandate AEBAS as the official mode for marking attendance of employees in Government Higher Education Colleges, please.

Yours faithfully,

Additional Director (IT),
Department of Digital Technologies & Governance,
Shimla-13, Himachal Pradesh.