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To

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

Subject: Micro Scholarship Program in collaboration with Sri Aurobindo society-regarding.

This is with reference to the letter number HPSES-(ISSE)-Samagra Shiksha NGOs 2020-21-4862-76 dated 18-11-2020, received from the State Project Director Shimla HP (copy enclosed) on the subject cited above.

In this regard, you are directed to take appropriate action in the matter accordingly.

This may be given personal attention and top priority please.

Encls: As above.

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

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Copy for information and further necessary action is forwarded to:-

- 1 The State Project Director (ISSE) Himachal Pradesh Shimla-1.
- ✓ 2 Technical Officer, IT Cell, with the directions to upload this letter on the Departmental website.
- 3 Guard File.

Director of Higher Education ,
Himachal Pradesh



No. HPSES(ISSE)- Samagra Shiksha NGOs 2020-21. -4862-76
Office of the State Project Director (ISSE),
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla
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To

The Director
Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh

Subject: Micro scholarship program in collaboration with Sri Aurobindo society-
regarding.

Sir,

Sri Aurobindo Society (SAS) is a non-profit organization that is contributing towards building a stronger education system through its multifarious charitable and social welfare initiatives, SAS is working with us in the State. **Auro Scholar** program has been initiated in H.P for the benefit of students of 6-12 classes, funded by HDFC Bank.

Summary of AuroScholarships Programme

Auro Scholarships Programme is world's first monthly micro-scholarship program for students from Grades 6 to 12, through which they can get scholarship of upto INR 1000 every month on achieving good performance in online curriculum based assessments. It aims at promoting improved learning outcomes of the students besides motivating them to adopt remedial learning. Through this micro scholarship program, Indian students of Grade 6-12 are motivated to take the mobile-based quizzes and win micro scholarships. Auro Scholarships programme is based on the Nobel Prize awarded research on micro-incentives and their role in improving learning outcomes of the students.

Proposed Activities in Himachal Pradesh

Auro Scholarships Programme is a nation-wide micro scholarship program with a focus on encouraging school students in India to improve their learning levels. With one-of-its kind format, this programme incentivizes learning through monthly micro scholarships that acts as a learning nudge for the students. **Teacher's** valuable contribution impacts the lives of the students as well as the community. Through Auro Scholarship Programme, teachers are oriented towards the need and importance of micro-scholarships in education. The teachers are given detailed information regarding-


- Registration with the Programme and downloading the App
- Invitation to students to register on the App
- Students encouraged to take assessments
- Monthly scholarships for students
- Teachers playing the role of 'teacher buddy'

1. Motivating and Helping Students to win Micro-Scholarships- Auro Scholarship Programme strives to make students life-long learners. Through incentivized learning, the students are motivated to take assessments as a part of their learning process, and not as burden. The teachers play an instrumental role in motivating and helping students to win micro-scholarships by-

- Becoming a 'teacher buddy' the teacher gets access to the assessment result of the referred student(s). The teacher is able to analyse the strong and weak subjects of the students.
- The students take assessment three grades lower to the existing grade, that means, the difficulty level of the assessment increases gradually. Winning through least difficult questions give confidence to the students for attempting tougher questions. The teachers provide counseling and guidance to the students to take tough questions and win the scholarship amount.
- The teachers motivate the students to become life-long learners, leading to reduced learning gaps and improved minimum learning outcomes.
- The virtual training program for teachers have been organized through BRCCs, in case of any left out teacher or repeated trainings, Mr Ujjwal of Sri Aurobindo society can be contacted on 9953600986.

We seek the kind assistance of your esteemed office to provide support by directing all the teachers, who are teaching classes 6th onwards to download the app and further add their students, benefit from this program, to ensure higher participation of the teachers in the Auro-Scholarship Programme's activities. We aim to improve the learning outcomes of the all the secondary-level students of the State.

Yours faithfully,


18/11/2020

**State Project Director (ISSE)
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1**

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Nov, 2020

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1, for information, please.
2. District Project Officer cum DIET Principals, all districts of Himachal Pradesh.



**State Project Director (ISSE)
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla**