

## DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla - 171001.

## PRESS RELEASE

It is to bring to your kind notice of all concerned that Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (DEPwd) is implementing the three scholarships for students with Disabilities through National Scholarship Portal (NSP) https://scholarships.gov.in/ for the year 2021-22 :- (a) Pre-matric scholarships for Class IX and X (b) Post-matric Scholarships for Class XI to Post-graduation and (c) Scholarship for Top Class Education for Graduate /Post Graduate Degree or Diploma in 241 notified institutions.

2. The registration of students on the NSP has commenced w.e.f. 18th August, 2021. The details of these schemes are available on the website of this Department (www.disabilityaffairs.gov.in). The last date for registration and submission of applications on the portal is 15th November, 2021 for Pre-Matric Scholarship and 30th November, 2021 for Post Matric and Top Class Scholarship.

3. After the students submits on-line application, the school/institute /college will verify the applications online. For verifying the applications, the institute/School/college must complete their registration form and get it verified from District/State Nodal Officer failing which the institute/school/college will not be able to verify the application on-line. Those Institute/ Schools with valid DISE/AISHE code can only register on NSP Portal. The details w.r.t. tuition and admission fee are required to be filled by the institution itself on the portal and not by the student.

4. On completion of the first level verification i.e. by the institute/college/school is required to verify the applications on-line. The concerned Heads of institute/college/school may ensure timely registration on NSP Portal.

- 5. The payment of the scholarship amount is made through Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) mode to beneficiary's bank account. The number of scholarships allotted to each State/UT in Pre-Matric, Post-matric and Top Class Education is in accordance with the proportion of Pwd population of that State/UT in proportion to the total population of India. While the District is expected to retain a copy of the duly authenticated online form received from the college/school, the Institute Nodal Officer is also required to retain a hard copy of student's verified documents in their custody. Institute/ college/school may check for notifications/updates on the NSP as all notifications /updates will be flashed on the home page on National Scholarship Portal.
  - Ensuring the Aadhaar Demographic Authentication of State /District Nodal Officers (SNOs/DNOs) and Institute Nodal Officers (INOs).

> All the Heads of Intuitions are directed to update the profile of INO and Head of the Institutes.

The size of the uploaded document must be lies between 100 to 200 KB. If the size of the uploaded document lies below the 100 KB, the application form of the students will not be considered.

After application verification, Institution must check the Institution login daily, so that defective application must be verified timely. > The Institutions are fully responsible for entering and verifying fees alongwith uploading

documents of the students, as per guidelines of respective schemes.

> Students are directed to check mobile SMS regularly so that, timely updates will be done; otherwise whole responsibility will be lying on the concerned students for not updating the application form.

> Copy of course affiliation notification must be submitted in this Directorate of Higher Education

issued by the competent authority.

Only online applications under the Schemes will be accepted and no request for offline applications will be entertained. For any queries/problems contact during office time from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm: on 0177-2656622

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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, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, B Wing, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, New Delhi-110003 for kind 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.
- 3. The Director, All India Radio Centre, Shimla, Doordarshan Centre, Shimla.
- 4. The Editor, The Tribune, The Indian Express Shimla, The Times of India, Hindustan Times, Amar Ujala, Dainik Jagran, Divya Himachal, Himachal Dastak Newspaper, Shimla.
- 5. The Director, Public Information and Public Relation Department, Himachal Pradesh, Slimla 171002, for publication please.

The TO, IT Cell, DHE HP, with direction to upload the above Press Release on the Departmental website.

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