

**DIRECTORATE OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 171001.

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It is to bring to the kind notice of all concerned that the Government of India, Department of Social Justice and Empowerment, Development and Welfare Board for De-notified and semi-Nomadic Communities is implementing a scheme namely, **Scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED) for the Development and Welfare of DNT/NT/SNTs**. One of the scheme components is to provide free coaching of good quality for DNT students to enable them to appear in competitive examination. For the competitive exams for which the qualifying exam is class 12<sup>th</sup>, benefits under the scheme will be available to a candidate only if the candidate has passed class 12<sup>th</sup> or is studying in class 12<sup>th</sup> as on the date of receiving the benefit under the scheme. The Scheme Guidelines is available at <http://dwbdnc.dosje.gov.in/public/uploads/news/67381742882523.pdf>. Presently, the scheme is launched for providing financial assistance to avail free coaching for 4000 DNT students during the current financial year. The link of applications is available at <https://www.buddy4study.com/page/free-coaching-for-dnt-students-under-seed-scheme>.

As per the scheme norms, the students of DNT communities having total family income from all sources of ₹8.00 lakh or less per annum and not availing any such benefits from similar Scheme of Centre Government or the State Government will be eligible for benefits under the Scheme.

It is also requested by the GoI to issue DNT Caste Certificates to DNT community peoples in a time bound manner after verification or credentials and other requirements.

Therefore, all concerned School/College Principals of State/UT to support the identification of DNT students and facilitate the issuance of DNT certificates for availing free coaching benefits under scheme for Economic Empowerment of DNTs (SEED). The Scheme seeks to improve the socio-economic conditions of one of the most disadvantaged section of our population.

  
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1. The Chief Executive Officer, DWBDNC, Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment Development and Welfare Board for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi Nomadic Communities (DWBDNC) 2 Wing, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, West Block-8 R.K. Puram, Sector-1, New Delhi-110016 w.r.t. F.No. BC-20/28/2022-DWBDNC dated 16-07-2025.
2. The Secretary (Edu.), to the Govt of Himachal Pradesh, HP Shimla-2.
3. The Secretary, H. P. Board of School Education, Dharamshala, District Kangra, Himachal Pradesh for wide publicity of above-mentioned education loan and interest subvention schemes.
4. All Deputy Directors of Higher Education, Himachal Pradesh for wide publicity.
5. The Director, All India Radio Centre, Shimla, Doordarshan Centre, Shimla.
6. The Editor, The Tribune Newspaper, The Indian Express Newspaper Shimla, The Times of India Newspaper, Hindustan Times Newspaper, Shimla,, Amar Ujala, Divya Himachal, Punjab Kesari, Dainik Bhaskar, Dainik Jagran, Shimla to publish the Press Release on Newspaper.
7. The Director, Public Information and Public Relation Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 171002, for publication please.
- ✓ 8. The TO, IT Cell, DHE HP, with direction to upload the above Press Release on the Departmental website.

  
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