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ਮਿਤੀ:-12.11.2024

ਵਿਸ਼ਾ :-

Regarding the focus of NEP 2020 on curtailing dropout rates and ensuring universal access to education at all levels.
21-107/2021/NIOS/SSS/ADM ਮਿਤੀ :- January 2024

ਹਵਾਲਾ:-

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ਉਪਰੋਕਤ ਵਿਸ਼ੇ ਵੱਲ ਧਿਆਨ ਦੇਣ ਦੀ ਖੇਚਲ ਕੀਤੀ ਜਾਵੇ।

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National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) ਵੱਲੋਂ ਪ੍ਰਾਪਤ ਹਵਾਲਾ ਅੰਕਿਤ ਪੱਤਰ ਨਾਲ ਨੱਥੀ ਕਰਕੇ ਆਪ ਜੀ ਨੂੰ ਜਾਣਕਾਰੀ ਅਤੇ ਅਗਲੇਰੀ ਲੋੜੀਂਦੀ ਕਾਰਵਾਈ ਹਿੱਤ ਭੇਜਿਆ ਜਾਂਦਾ ਹੈ।

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के अन्तर्गत एक स्वायत्त मान्य
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF OPEN SCHOOLING (NIOS)
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Chair Person

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16/1/24
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10/1/24
NAC Director (S&L)
(H/S Solanki) on duty
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No. 21-107/2021/NIOS/SSS/ADM
Date: January, 2024

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The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) is an autonomous institution under Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India which imparts education through open and distance mode and conducts Secondary, Senior Secondary and Vocational Courses Public Examination twice a year i.e. in April/May and October/November throughout the country.

The mission of NIOS is to provide education with the special concern for girls, women, rural youth, working men and women, SCs & STs, Divyang Learners and other disadvantage person who could not continue their formal education.

Further, in continuation to D.O Letter dated 3rd June, 2023 of Secretary, School Education & Literacy, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India (Copy enclosed) regarding the focus of NEP 2020 on curtailing dropout rates and ensuring universal access to education at all levels, with a request to all concerned to issue necessary instructions for enhancing /promoting admission in NIOS and to be encourage the dropout students to avail different educational programmes so that they may complete their schools education.

NIOS provides second chance education to the unsuccessful learners of recognized boards and strives to deliver education at their door-steps. In NIOS a learner is a self-learner and he/she can learn at his/her own pace and convenience. The instruction process at NIOS comprises studying self-instructional print material, listening to and viewing and audio/video programmes, attending personal contact programmes at the study centres and doing assignments.

It is pertinent to mention that one UT enrolled about 20000 of their unsuccessful learners as per given below category every year in NIOS through a project in the interest of learners.

- (i) Class IX/X who were enrolled and had appeared in Annual Exam but their result was declared as failed (one or more time)/ Compartment in the session.
- (ii) The students of class IX/X who were enrolled and could not appear in the annual exam in the session and whose School leaving certificate (SLC) must not have been issued.

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In NIOS there are four streams of online admission catering to the learners with different needs. The admissions in these four streams are mutually exclusive i.e. learner can opt for one of them only.

1. **Stream-1 Online Admission:** Secondary (10th) & Sr. Secondary (12th)- for all throughout the year in Two Blocks
 - Date of Admission Block-I - 16th March to 15th September
 - Date of Admission Block-II - 16th September to 15th March
2. **Stream-2 Online Admission:** for unsuccessful learners of recognized Boards.
 - Date of Admission: 1st May to 30th June
3. **Stream 3 and 4 Online Admission:** Open throughout the year for unsuccessful learners who wish to appear through On Demand Examination system (ODES) for Secondary & Senior Secondary

At present NIOS online admission under "**stream1**" is open upto 15.03.2024 for all. The unsuccessful learners will have the option to get the credit transfer upto maximum of two subjects from the parent Board in NIOS, provided these subjects are passed with at least 33% marks. The detail of Flexibilities in NIOS is as under:

- (i) **No upper age limit:** minimum age limit is 14 years for 10th class and 15 year for 12th class.
- (ii) **Validity :** The admission of the learner is valid for a period of 5 years. A learner gets nine chances to appear in the public examination over a period of five years.
- (iii) **Fee Structure:** The fee concession is provided to the Female, Transgender, SC, ST and Persons with Disability (PWDs)
- (iv) **Choice of subject:** 39 Subject including 19 languages in Secondary and 44 subjects including 13 languages in Senior Secondary.
- (v) **Mediums of Instruction:** Hindi, English, Urdu, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Malayalam, Tamil, Odia, Punjabi, Assamese, Sanskrit and Kannada at the Secondary and Hindi, English, Urdu, Bengali, Gujarati, Sanskrit and Odia at the Senior Secondary stage.

I, therefore, request you to kindly disseminate the information to all the schools affiliated with your Govt. to encourage the unsuccessful learners / Dropouts/ out of school children to avail admission facility of NIOS and complete the course by availing flexibilities in NIOS. The brochure of NIOS profile is enclosed herewith.

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For any query/ doubts kindly contact NIOS Regional Centre in the State/UT as per detail given below for your ready reference.

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Regards

Yours sincerely,


(Saroj Sharma)

Shri Kamal Kishor Yadav, IAS
Secretary, (School Education)

Vidya Bhawan (Punjab School Education Board)
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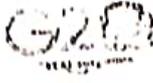
2. The Regional Director, R C Chandigarh -

He is requested to coordinate with Education Department, Punjab for necessary actions

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15-06-2023



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Issue: 15/06/23

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Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of School Education & Literacy

Dated the 15th June 2023

15/06/2023 18:15

Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary,

As you may be aware that the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is a paradigm shift towards quality education to all regardless of categorisation in any form. However, it is a matter of concern that the number of out of school children at secondary level shows that there are certain states which can facilitate an equitable and qualitative education to all the children and across all the grades of secondary school education.

Taking a step in this direction, Samagra Shiksha scheme provides a learning opportunity to secondary level out of school children by broadening the scope of school education and developing multiple pathways for learning; both formal and informal modes. Since 2021-22, financial assistance of Rs 8000 per annum is being provided for supporting Out of School Children including migrant children of age group of 16-19 years, belonging to socio economically disadvantaged groups to receive their education through NIOS/SIOS, for accessing course materials and certification.

The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), and State Institute of Open Schooling (SIOS) have also expanded and strengthened their infrastructural role for meeting the learning needs of working people who are not able to attend a physical school. Both NIOS and SIOS are catering to the educational needs of secondary level out of school children and courses have been developed and promoted accordingly.

However, only 9 States/UTs (Andaman & Nicobar Islands, Andhra Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Gujarat, Haryana, Mizoram, Punjab, Rajasthan and Telangana) are providing financial support to secondary level Out of School Children through NIOS/SIOS. Thus, a large gap exists between the number of out of school children completing their education through NIOS/SIOS and the secondary level average Transition Rate for Elementary to Secondary is also reflecting the same (State-wise Transition Rate is annexed herewith).

Keeping in view the focus of NEP 2020 on curtailing dropout rates and ensuring universal access to education at all levels, I, therefore, request you to issue necessary instructions to all schools for enhancing/promoting admission in NIOS/SIOS and to encourage the drop out students to join educational programmes so that they may complete their school education.

Best wishes, as always.

The ACS/Principal Secretary

NIOS

A Brief Profile



National Institute of Open Schooling

ISO 9001 : 2015 Certified

The Largest Open Schooling System of the World
Its highest award institution under Ministry of Education, Govt. of India

Personal Growth Programmes (PGPs)

NIOS has a provision of 30 PGP sessions for 10th to 12th every subject and 6 practical sessions for Practical Subjects. It facilitates the learners in relation with solving their problems faced during study.

M.A. Yoga Yojana and NIOS Community Fund

The M.A. Yoga Yojana, a web-based platform where audio services from NIOS is available 24x7 via the internet has been launched by the NIOS. These audio programmes can be accessed by learners. NIOS has also launched a Community Radio - Radio NIOS 91.2 MHz at its Noida Head Office. The purpose is to develop effective PGP for the benefit of learners.

Tutor-Marked Assignments (TMA)

NIOS provides TMAs for continuous and comprehensive evaluation. 20% weights of the theory marks in the external examination has been given to the TMA. TMAs are applicable for Stream learners.

Award

NIOS was awarded UNESCO King Sejong Literacy Prize 2021 for its work on Inclusive Education, with specific focus on In-Ed and Sign Language (ISL) based content.

ISO 9001 : 2015 Certificate

NIOS has developed a Quality Management System in line with the ISO 9001 : 2015 standards. NIOS has been recognized as an ISO 9001 : 2015 certified institution since November 2021.

NIOS Website

NIOS has its own Web Portal www.nios.ac.in in which is designed as per the Guidelines for In-Ed and Government Website (GIGW) including the Guidelines of WCAG. This website is made accessible to persons with disabilities.

NIOS @ Social Media

For creating awareness, increasing visibility and reach to our learners, Facebook (facebook) and Twitter (@nios1985) handles of NIOS are being managed along with NIOS YouTube channel.

For further information write to:

The Secretary

National Institute of Open Schooling
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27. The National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS) is a prominent institution in India, offering a wide range of educational programs. It is known for its commitment to providing quality education to all, regardless of their background or location. The institute has a long history of excellence in the field of open schooling, and its reputation continues to grow as it expands its reach and offerings.

28. One of the key strengths of NIOS is its diverse range of courses, which are designed to meet the needs of students from various backgrounds and interests. From traditional academic subjects to vocational and skill-based programs, NIOS offers a comprehensive curriculum that ensures students are well-prepared for the challenges of the modern world.

29. Another notable feature of NIOS is its flexible learning environment, which allows students to study at their own pace and in their own time. This flexibility is particularly beneficial for students who are balancing their education with other commitments, such as work or family responsibilities.

30. In addition to its academic programs, NIOS also places a strong emphasis on character education and life skills training. Through various activities and projects, students are encouraged to develop a sense of responsibility, leadership, and social awareness, which are essential for their personal and professional growth.

31. The National Institute of Open Schooling is a testament to the power of education to transform lives. Its commitment to inclusivity and quality education has made it a leading institution in the field of open schooling in India. As it continues to evolve and expand, NIOS remains dedicated to its mission of providing a bright future for every learner.

32. The institute's success is a result of its strong leadership, dedicated faculty, and a supportive learning environment. NIOS has consistently demonstrated its ability to adapt to the changing needs of students and society, ensuring that its programs remain relevant and effective.

33. In conclusion, the National Institute of Open Schooling is a premier educational institution that offers a wide range of high-quality programs. Its commitment to excellence and inclusivity has earned it a reputation as one of the leading open schooling institutions in the world. NIOS continues to strive for innovation and improvement, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed.

34. The National Institute of Open Schooling is a shining example of how education can be made accessible to all. Its dedication to providing quality education and fostering the growth of its learners has made it a true leader in the field of open schooling. NIOS remains committed to its vision of creating a better future for every student.

35. The National Institute of Open Schooling is a beacon of hope and opportunity for students across India. Its commitment to excellence and inclusivity has made it a leading institution in the field of open schooling. NIOS continues to strive for innovation and improvement, ensuring that every student has the opportunity to succeed.

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12) Identify and provide students of learning in Distance Education and Open Schools.

Key Features of the programme

100) admission

Flexibility to learn at your pace, place and time.

101) Fee per year for admission.

Any student contribution from the list of subject offered.

Choice of time and mode of examination.

Choice to enroll in the list for more subjects to any examination.

102) Fee per credit which will be accumulated till the subjects required for certification are successfully completed. Within a limit of 3 years of registration.

Self Learning Material and personal contact programmes for the benefit of the study centers but through letter mail.

103) Management

Qualifying Examination for All

104) provides affordable quality education to all. 105) comprises the 100s for Secondary students of general category and the 100s for private category students of State Secondary level. The institute provides subsidized fee arrangements to students but other, economically and socially disadvantaged.

106) The fee concession for students for 2nd-10th classes covers the cost of all learning materials and Personal Contact Programmes offered to the learner.

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Vocational

111) Presently more than 100 courses are on offer in the broad areas of Agriculture, Engineering and Technology, Health and Paramedical, Home Science and Hospitality, Computer and Information Technology, Business and Commerce and Teacher Training. The diversified courses not only cater to individual needs of learners but also provide the skilled manpower to meet the demands of the job market.

112) Introduction of Vocational stream: Vocational stream has been introduced from 2017 in this the learner can take up language 3 vocational IGCE compliant courses and any one academic subject currently being offered at IIOS for getting certificate under vocational stream.

Recognition

113) The Senior Secondary Certificate of IIOS is recognized for admission to higher studies by the Association of Indian Universities and various universities.

114) The IIOS Certificate is recognized by employers, both Govt and Private for purposes of employment.

Programmes Offered

Open Basic Education, Secondary Education, Senior Secondary Education and Vocational Education.

ACADEMIC

- Open Basic Education
- Level A equivalent to class III
- Level B equivalent to class V
- Level C equivalent to class VIII
- Secondary (10th)

Medium English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Bengali, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Kannada, Punjabi, Assamese, Nepali, Malayalam, Oriya, Arabic, Persian, Tamil, Hindi, Santhali, Urdu, Maths, Science and Technology, Social Science, Economics, Business Studies, Home Science, Psychology, Indian Culture and Heritage, Accountancy, Printing, Data Entry Operations, Hindustani, Sangeet, Carnatic, Singing, Veda Adhyayan, Sanskrit, Vaidyan, Bharatya Dhan, Sanskrit, Sahitya and Entrepreneurship

115) Senior Secondary (12th)

Hindi, English, Urdu, Sanskrit, Gujarati, Bengali, Tamil, Oriya, Punjabi, Arabic, Persian, Malayalam, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Geography, Political Science, Economics, Business Studies, Accountancy, Home Science, Psychology, Computer Science, Sociology, Printing, Environmental Science, Mass Communication, Data Entry Operations, Introductory Law, Library and Information Science, Tourism, Physical Education and Yoga, Military Studies, Military History, IGCE, Veda Adhyayan, Bharatya Dhan, Sanskrit, Vaidyan and Sanskrit Sahitya

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Admission in Vocational Education courses is open round the year.

Mediums of Study

At Secondary level IIOS offers different mediums of study - Hindi, English, Urdu, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Malayalam, Oriya and Tamil.

At Senior Secondary level IIOS offers different mediums of study - Hindi, English, Urdu, Bengali, Oriya and Gujarati.

Integration of Academic and Vocational Courses

119) IIOS provides the facility to combine academic and vocational courses thus equipping learners for work and life.

Online admissions for 10th and 12th Classes

120) IIOS has four streams of Admission for Secondary and Sr. Secondary classes admission. The facility of online admission for academic and vocational courses enable learners to register online from multiple access points 24x7 throughout the year in four streams.

1) Stream I: The stream is open for all learners on-line (24x7) throughout the year.

First Block : 16th March to 15th September

Second Block : 16th September to 15th March

2) Stream II: For learners who had appeared but could not clear the Public Examination of Secondary/Senior Secondary level from any recognized Board. This stream is offered between July and July.

3) Stream III: This stream is open throughout the year for those learners who had appeared but could not clear the Public Examination of Secondary level from any recognized Board.

4) Stream IV: This is open for those learners who had appeared but could not clear the Public Examination of the Sr. Secondary level from any recognized Board.

Online Payment Facility

121) Payment can be made through credit/debit card/net banking or bank draft and bank cheque.

Evaluation

122) IIOS conducts public examination twice in a year in the month of April-May and October-November.

On Demand Examination (ODES)

123) Besides two public examinations in a year, IIOS conducts On Demand Examinations at Secondary and Sr. Secondary level at IIOS Held Quarters and all Regional Centres. A learner can register online and seek a date to appear in the examination in the registered subject.

124) On Demand Examinations take the stress off the learners as they can appear whenever they are ready and get unlimited chances to appear and clear a subject.

Special Programmes

125) IIOS (opened in Mad) with its services under Agritech Scheme to support the educational qualification of Agri-graduates of the Indian Army, Indian Air Force and Indian Navy. Agri-grads can compare their 10th or 12th certificate from IIOS, acting for the subjects of their interests and requirements.

126) IIOS Education Project for Indian Army (MEPIA)

127) IIOS has launched IIOS Education Project for Indian Army (MEPIA) with Army Education Corps (AEC) to provide the educational qualification and human resource quality of Indian Army troops.

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