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ਵਿਸ਼ਾ :-

Regarding the focus of NEP 2020 on curtailing dropout rates and
ensuring universal access to education at all levels.

ਹਵਾਲਾ:-

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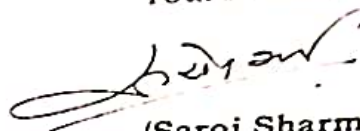
For any query/ doubts kindly contact NIOS Regional Centre in the State/UT as per detail given below for your ready reference.

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Regards

Yours sincerely,


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2. The Regional Director, R C Chandigarh -

He is requested to coordinate
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Punjab for necessary
actions

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Ministry of Education
Department of School Education

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Chief Officer, Government of India
Ministry of Education
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Dated the 6th June 2023

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Chief Secretary / Principal Secretary / Secretary,

As you may be aware that the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 is a landmark document that ensures 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 are not retaining children in the school system and therefore, a mechanism needs to be developed 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 support at 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 ₹ 2000 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 continue 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 people who are not able to attend a physical school. Both NIOS and SIOS are also addressing 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 secondary level children completing their education through NIOS/SIOS and the secondary level number of out of school children identified by the States/UTs. As per UDISE+ 2021-22, the Annual 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 states to enhance/promote admission in NIOS/SIOS and to encourage the drop out students to re-enter the educational programmes so that they may complete their school education.

Best wishes, as always.

The ACS/Principal Secretary

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travel.

Recognition

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

Hindi, English, Urdu, Sanskrit, Bengali, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Kannada, Punjabi, Assamese, Nepali, Malayalam, Oriya, Arabic, Persian, Tamil, India's Language, Sanskrit, Maths, Science and Technology, Social Science, Economics, Business Studies, Home Science, Psychology, Indian Culture and Heritage, Accountancy, Painting, Data Entry, Operations, Hindustani, Sangeet, Carnatic, Singing, Veda Adhyayan, Sanskrit Vyakaran, Bharatya Dharma, Sanskrit Vyakaran and Sanskrit Sahitya

- Senior Secondary (12th)

Hindi, English, Urdu, Sanskrit, Gujarati, Bengali, Tamil, Odia, Punjabi, Arabic, Persian, Malayalam, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, History, Geography, Political Science, Economics, Business Studies, Accountancy, Home Science, Psychology, Computer Science, Sociology, Fanning, Environmental Science, Mass Communication, Data Entry, Operations, Introduction to Law Library and Information Science, Tourism, Physical Education and Yoga, Military Studies, Military History, ECCE, Veda Adhyayan, Bharatya Dharma, Sanskrit Vyakaran and Sanskrit Sahitya

Vocational

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

Advantages

- It provides opportunities for economic and developmental growth in the school level.
- It provides continuing services and engage in capacity building for open learning institutions in different Indian states.
- To promote and disseminate information related to Distance Education and Open Learning.
- To identify and provide students of learning in Distance Education and Open Schools.

Key Features of the programme

- 100% admission
- Flexibility to turn in your pass, check time, fee and pay for admission.
- Any student can continue from the 1st block to the 12th.
- Choice of time and mode of examination.
- Choice to appear in any one or more subjects in any examination.
- Internal and external marks which will be accumulated in all subjects.
- Internal for certification and secondary completion within a limit of 1 year in registration.
- Self-learning material and personal contact programmes for students of the study centres and through letter mail.
- Tuition free

Credible Quality Education for All

NIOS provides a flexible, quality education to all. NIOS started in 1985 for Secondary students of general category and in 1989 for private category learners at Senior Secondary level. The institute provides a number of programmes to cater to the needs of the community and society. It has been established as a public trust and is a non-profit organization.

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- 1. Secondary: It was the first of NIOS's first.
- 2. Senior Secondary: It was the first of NIOS's first.
- 3. Vocational: It was the first of NIOS's first.

Admission in Vocational Education courses is open round the year.

Mediums of Study

At Secondary level NIOS offers different mediums of study - Hindi, English, Urdu, Marathi, Telugu, Gujarati, Malayalam, Odia and Tamil. At Senior Secondary level NIOS offers different mediums of study - Hindi, English, Urdu, Bengali, Odia and Gujarati.

Integration of Academic and Vocational Courses

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

Online admissions for 10th and 12th Classes

NIOS 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.

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

Payment can be made through credit/debit card/net banking for session and examination.

Evaluation

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

On Demand Examination (ODES)

- Besides two public examinations in a year, NIOS conducts On Demand Examinations at Secondary and Sr. Secondary level at NIOS Held Quarters and all Regional Centres. A learner can register online and get a facility to appear in the examination in the registered subject.
- 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

NIOS Education Project for Indian Army (NEPIA)

NIOS has launched NIOS Education Project for Indian Army (NEPIA) with Army Education Corps (AEC) to provide the educational qualification and Indian Army. AEC can compare the 10th or 12th certificate from NIOS for the subjects of their interests and requirements.

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