

Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department Higher Education

No. EDN-A-Ka(1)-2/2012 Dated; Shimla-02 the 02 January, 2014

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of the Judgment delivered by the Hon'ble High Court in CWP No 1468 of 2013 alongwith others titled as Dhrub Dev Sharma & others versus State of HP (De-notifying of 68 Govt. Colleges) on 18<sup>th</sup> June, 2013, the Governor, Himachal Pradesh is pleased to notify the guidelines regarding opening of new educational institutions i.e. Government Degree Colleges in the State to achieve the objectives of access, equity and quality in higher Education with immediate effect as under :-

- 1 The distance of existing nearby college to proposed college shall not be usually less than 25 KM. The distance condition can be relaxed depending upon the need of the area/towns where the existing colleges are overcrowded and having the enrolment of students more than 3000.
- 2 In thickly populated cities like Shimla, Mandi, Solan, Dharamshala, Una etc., where, there is huge rush of students and it is becoming increasingly difficult to run all the three streams in the presently available infrastructure, the matter to shift some streams like Arts /Commerce, which don't require laboratory /etc. to out side the cities for quality education, instead of starting new college shall be considered.
- 3 For opening of new colleges, the availability of students in the feeder institutions also need to be kept in view. If the feeder institutions have sufficient enrolment in 10+2 class i.e. 400 or more preferably in the schools within 10-12 KM radius, the matter for opening of new college may be considered subject to meeting of other parameters and keeping in view the geographical conditions of the area

- 4 For establishment of new Govt. Degree Colleges, normally land measuring 35 bighas is required. This requirement will be sufficient for providing Arts, Commerce, Science Blocks and Administrative Block as well as residential / hostels. But, since only Arts stream classes will be started in the beginning, this condition could be relaxed, keeping in view the local conditions. The total land requirement shall be earmarked as under :-
- a) 10 bighas for construction of Teaching Blocks (Administrative, Arts & Science Blocks) as detailed above.
  - b) 10 bighas for play ground and Stadium etc. for sports and other open-air-co-curricular activities.
  - c) 5 bighas for constructing Hostels for boys and girls.
  - d) 5 bighas for the construction of residential accommodation for the staff.
  - e) 5 bighas for further expansion as per future requirements.
- 5 For opening of new government colleges, adequate budget provision for non-recurring and recurring expenditure shall be made. Initially the Government will start only Arts Stream in the first phase, thus, around rupees five crore in non-recurring and one crore rupees for recurring expenditure shall be made available. Thereafter, while considering the matter of starting of Commerce and Science stream, the additional budget will be made available. These budget estimates are on the basis of the present prices and will be suitable enhanced in due course of time. The new college may only be started after ensuring availability of sufficient accommodation. The adequate budget provision for Hostels as per requirement and staff quarters shall also be separately made available in the following years.

- 6 In the beginning, new colleges will be started with English, History, Pol. Science, Hindi, Sociology, Economics, Maths, Sanskrit, Computer Application and Physical Education subjects. However, other subjects like Geography, Music, Pub. Administration, Philosophy, Psychology, Painting, Dance, J & MC, could be considered on demand basis from the students and keeping in view the availability of faculty / infrastructure. The Commerce stream in the college will be started after enrolment reaches around 400 students in all the three classes i.e. B.A. -I, II & III year, whereas starting of the science stream would be considered after the total enrolment of around 500 students. This will, however be subject to meeting of the other parameters and keeping in view the availability of faculty / infrastructure.
- 7 It may not be possible to start all the subjects in all the colleges in the beginning. Therefore, it has been decided to start all the subjects, where the students enrolment in Arts stream is more than 1000. However, the permission of starting of all the subjects will be granted by the Government after considering the detailed proposal from the Principal through Director of Higher Education, keeping in view the availability of infrastructure etc.
- 8 The classes in new colleges shall be started when at least one post of Principal, one post of Asstt. Professor in each subject, one librarian (College Cadre) and non-teaching i.e. one Superintendent Gr-II, one Sr. Asstt., two Clerks, three peons and two chowkidars are created and filled up to look after the Administrative, Academic & other College developmental activities.
- 9 Preference shall be given to open at least one new college in every Revenue Sub-Division subject to the fulfillment of all other requirements / conditions as repeated above.

- 10 The provisions contained above may be considered for relaxation by the State Govt., keeping in view the unique geographical, social or demographic conditions in order to improve access, equity and excellence in higher educations.

By Order

Pr. Secretary (Education) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh

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Copy for information to necessary action to :-

1. The Secretary to the Governor, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla -02.
2. The Pr. Secretary to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, H.P. Shimla-02.
3. The Special Secretary-cum-Principal PS to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, H.P. Shimla -02.
4. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Education Minister, H.P. Shimla -02.
5. The Director of Higher Education, H.P., Shimla -01 w.r.t. your letter No EDN-H(8)A(1)069/89-2012 dated 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2013.
6. The Registrar, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla-5.
7. The Controller, Printing & Stationery Department, H.P. Shimla-05 for publication in the Rajpatra with the request that a copy of the Rajpatra may kindly be supplied to the Government also.
8. Guard file.

Under Secretary (Hr Edn) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh.