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Directorate of Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh

Dated : the 07th/24th August, 2010.

To

All the Deputy Director of Higher Education
Himachal Pradesh.

Subject : Reg. Organizing Youth Parliament Competition.

Memo;

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of proposal of Scheme of Financial Assistance to States/Union Territories for organizing Youth Parliament Competitions received from Under Secretary, Government of India Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, New Delhi on the subject cited above and request you to do the needful accordingly.

Jt. Director of Hr. Education
Himachal Pradesh
07th/24th August, 2010.

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1. The Principal Secretary (Education) to the govt. of H.P. Shimla-2 w.r.t. his letter No.Shiksha-II-Chh(10)-3/2004 dated 01-06-2009 for favour of information please.
2. All the Principals/Headmasters Govt. Sr. Sec./High Schools in Himachal Pradesh for similar action please.
3. Guard File.

Jt. Director of Hr. Education
Himachal Pradesh

PROPOSAL FOR ORGANISING YOUTH PARLIAMENT COMPETITIONS IN GOVT. HIGH/SR. SEC. SCHOOLS IN HIMACHAL PRADESH

INTRODUCTION:- The idea of organizing “Youth Parliament” in education institutions was conceived by the Fourth All India Whips Conference held at Bombay in 1962. During Fifth All India Whip Conference held at Bangalore in 1966 it was also recommended to reiterate the decision taken in 4th Whip Conference. The Sixth and Seventh All India Whip Conference held at Shimla in 1967 and in Madras in 1969 respectively also stressed that the states should do the needful to introduce the Scheme in their respective State as is done in Schools of Delhi by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.

“Keeping in view the successful execution of the “Mock Parliament” Scheme in Delhi Schools, the wider appreciation it received from leading Parliamentarian from the Press and from the Educationists and with a view to build a strong Parliamentary System in the country the Conference strongly recommends that:-

- (a) All the State/Union Territories should take steps to implement the Scheme in their respective State/Union Territory on the pattern adopted by the Central Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs;
- (b) The Central Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs should provide all encouragement to the States/Union Territories for introducing the Scheme by offering financial assistance, if necessary; and
- (c) The Central Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs should also organize inter State Competitions of the States/Union Territories which have started implementation of the Scheme (7th AIWC).”

NAME OF COMPETITION: - This competition will be named as “Youth Parliament Competitions in High/Sr. Sec. Schools”.

OBJECTIVE OF THE SCHEME:-

With a view to strengthen the roots of democracy, inculcate healthy habits of discipline, tolerance of views of others and to enable the students community to have better awareness about the working of Parliament, the “Youth Parliament Competitions” will be held annually in all the Govt. High/Sr. Sec. Schools of the State.

OPERATION OF THE SCHEME:-

The scheme will be operated by the Directorate of Higher Education, H.P. Shimla.

ELIGIBILITY FOR ENTRY INTO THE COMPETITION:-

All the Govt. High/Sr. Sec. Schools in the State are eligible to take part in the competition.

PERIOD DURING WHICH THE COMPETITION OF YOUTH PARLIAMENT WILL BE HELD:-

The Competition of “Youth Parliament” will be held every year.

NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:-

The number of students constituting the “Youth Parliament” in each school is not limited. However, since it is desirable that there should be a limit in regard to the duration of the sitting it would naturally mean that many of the participants may only have nominal sitting roles to convey the picture of a House and may not be required to speak.

DURATION OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT SESSION:-

The duration of the Youth Parliament sitting should not be more than an hour and out of this about 20 minutes may be devoted to questions.

SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION FOR THE SITTINGS OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:-

It is not proposed to prescribe any particular subjects for questions and answers or other discussion. It would however, be desirable that the matters raised in the “Youth Parliament relate to subjects of welfare activity, defence of the country, social justice, social reforms, economic development, communal harmony health, student discipline etc.

LANGUAGE:-

The participants can speak in Hindi or English or the regional language.

VENUE OF THE YOUTH PARLIAMENT:-

Each institution shall hold the Youth Parliament sitting in its own building as far as possible or such other place of its choice as it may like. The competing institutions shall be required to intimate the venue of their sittings along with the information regarding subjects for discussion ten days before the date of the competition to the Department.

This competition will be organized in the following level:-

The competition will be a part of activity during the Tournament of Institution/Sub Divisional/District/State Level and the following will be responsible for smooth organization of the competition:-

1. Institution Level: - At school level Head of Institution will be responsible to organize the “Youth Parliament Competition”. He will ensure the participation of every students in this competition.
2. Sub Divisional Level: - Head of institution where the venue fixed.
3. Distt. & State Level: Head of institution where the venue fixed.

PRIZES:-

There will be the following prizes-

- (i) Shield (Parliamentary Shield) for the institution standing first in the competition.
- (ii) Trophies for the first five institutions for meritorious performance in the competition, on the basis of the order of merit.
- (iii) Individual merit prizes in the shape of Medals/Cups/Books for some selected participants from each institution. The total number of prizes should not exceed 80.
- (iv) Miscellaneous expenditure.

The shield will be a running shield to be retained for a period of one year by the institution which stands first in the competition. However, if a particular institution wins the shield for three consecutive years, it will be kept permanently by that institution.

COMMITTEE OF JUDGES:-

The committee of judges for evaluating the performances of the individual institutions shall be as under:-

(a) Institutional Level :-

- (i) Chairman, Block Development Committee -Chairman
- (ii) President, PTA of the concerned school -Member

- (iii) Principal, GSSS -Member
- (iv) Lecturer (Pol. Science) of concerned school -Member Secretary

(b) Sub Divisional Level:-

- (i) Chairman, Zila Parishad -Chairman
- (ii) Member Block Development Committee -Member
- (iii) Principal of GSSS nominated by DDE -Member Secretary.
(where the function will be organized).

(c) District Level:-

- (i) Member of Legislative Assembly -Chairman
- (ii) Chairman, Zila Parishad -Member
- (iii) Dy. Director of Higher Education -Member
- (iv) Principal of GSSS nominated by DDE -Member Secretary.
(where the function will be organized).

(d) State Level:-

- (i) Hon'ble Minister from the district -Chairman
- (ii) Hon,ble Member of Legislative Assembly -Member
- (iii) Chairman, Zila Parishad of concerned area -Member
- (iv) Jt. Director of Hr. Education -Nodal Officer
- (iv) Principal of GSSS nominated by DHE -Member Secretary.
(where the function will be organized).

OTHER INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING ORGANISING THE COMPETITION:-

1. CONSIDERATIONS FOR DRAWING UP THE MERIT LIST:-

The committee of judges shall keep in view the following points while assessing the performance of institutions:-

- (i) Discipline and decorum -10 Marks
 - (ii) Observance of Parliamentary Procedures -20 “
 - (iii) Selection of subjects for questions; for supplementaries and quality of answers thereto. -20 “
 - (iv) Selection of subjects for the debates -10 “
 - (v) Delivery of and quality of speeches -30 “
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 - (vi) General assessment of the performance as a whole. -10 “
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- 100 Marks
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2. **REPEAT PERFORMANCE:-**

The institution standing first in the competition may be required to give a repeat performance at a venue and date to be decided by the Department at the time of Prize Distribution Function of the Competition which would be held on the conclusion of each year's competition.

3. **REPORT:-**

The Principals of the school made responsible for conduct of this competition at Sub Division, Distt. and State level will prepare the report in the proforma prescribed at Annexure-I indicating the number of schools which participated including first five on the basis of the order of merit, number of individual merit prizes etc. The report will clearly and separately indicate the amount.

4. **LIMIT OF REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENDITURE:-**

The actual expenditure incurred by the State will be reimbursed by the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India on the basis of the Report, subject to the following ceilings:

- (a) **Legislatures having members' upto 100 -Rs.3 lacs p.a.**

Finally, the Report in the prescribed will be sent to the Directorate of Higher Education by the Nodal Officer which will be sent to the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs, Government of India, New Delhi along-with the request for financial assistance under the scheme.