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#### PREFACE

India is now in the midst of major economic re structuring. Promotion of Education and literacy holds key to the success of our economic reforms program. The nation is committed to eradication of illiteracy and Universalisation of Elementary Education. To meet this objective, the nation as whole must assume responsibility of providing resource support for basic education. This would involve massive social mobilisation by involvement of Non-Governmental Organizations, Volunteers and The National Policy on Education(NPE) learners. recognizes that the the NGOs or group of public spirited individuals could provide useful supportive framework for promoting education. NGOs can contribute significantly to basic education through a number of measures like implementing Non-Formal Education(NFE) program, providing resource support to teachers, training of teachers. etc.

Government of India has been initiating a number of schemes and programs for promotion of literacy in the country. Some of these schemes are implemented directly by the Department of Education and some are implemented through State Governments and quite a good number through Voluntary Agencies(VAs) /Non-Governmental Organization(NGOs) It has been felt that a compilation of the schemes which are administered by the Department through VAs/NGOs should further the spirit of partnership and foster greater understanding of Government's educational initiatives throughVoluntary Agencies. This would obviate the difficulties which NGOs/VAs may be facing in identifying the schemes under which their projects can obtain financial and other assistance. An attempt has, therefore, been made to bring out a compilation of such schemes as a 'DIGEST'. It is hoped that this would facilitate participation of VAs/NGOs in our efforts for achieving the goal of Education for All at the earliest.

# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

1. Non-Formal Education (NFE) Scheme

# 1. Objectives

To provide financial assistance to voluntary agencies for taking up projects to provide education to children in the age group of 6-14 who remain outside the formal system of education owing to various socioeconomic constraints and also to provide an alternative strategy of education comparable to the formal school systems, to girls, working children, school dropouts and children from habitations without schools.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered voluntary societies, Public Trusts and Non-profit making organisations with 3 years standing are eligible.

3. Assistance

100% financial assistance for running

- (i) non-formal education centres.
- (ii) innovative and experimental project

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(iii) district resource units

The assistance to VAs would cover

- expenditure on honoraria of instructors and supervisors;
- management expenditure on the project
  - equipment and contingencies
  - preparation and production of teaching-learning materials; and

under innovative/experimental projects, the assistance would also cover new modalities for training, development, and preparation of new and relevant teaching - learning material, and other innovative approaches as may be approved

4. Coverage

The focus is mainly on the 10 Educationally Backward States viz.

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Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, J&K, Madhya Pradesh, Orissa, Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal and also Urban slums, hilly, desert and tribal areas with concentration of working children in other States/UTs as well.

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# EDUCATION FOR WOMENS' EQUALITY

# 1. Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies under Mahila Samakhya

Mahila Samakhya is a women's empowerment project which not only aims at service delivery but also seeks to bring about a change in women's perception about themselves and that of society in regard to women's traditional roles. It endeavours to create an environment for women to seek knowledge and information in order to make informed choices and create circumstances in which women can learn at their own pace and rhythm. The centrality of education in the struggle to achieve equality is an important focus of Mahila Samakhya.

# 1. Object

(i) To evolve a modality of planning involving government institutions and voluntary agencies reaching out to the women in villages in a continuous dialogue so that the educative principle is not subordinated to the desire for immediate results.

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(ii) To adopt an area intensive approach to integrate the existing efforts to provide formal and non-formal schooling, adult education upgradation of educational qualifications through condensed courses and vocational training.

#### 2. Eligibility

Educational institutions, registered societies, public trusts and non-profit making companies which are working outside the Project Districts of Mahila Samakhya would be eligible for assistance under the Scheme.

3. Purpose of Grants

100% assistance for:-

(a) taking up well-designed fields projects for women's empowerment and education;

(b) developments of learning material, instruction/learning aids, and other aspects of technical resource development;

(c) training;

(d) creation of educational facilities for girls and women's education by taking up experimental/innovative programmes; (e) evaluation and research;

(f) activities for dissemination of the outcome of experimental/innovative programmes and their adoption, including visits to experimental innovative projects, publications, documentation, etc;

# SECONDARY EDUCATION

# Integrated Education for Disabled Children((IEDC):

# 1. Objective

To provide education to the handicapped children with the objective of <sup>1</sup>integrating them in general schools to enable them to be equally contributing members of society and to enable them to face life with courage and confidence.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations/ Societies, Public Trusts and non-profit making organisations with 3 years standing are eligible.

#### 3. Assistance

100% assistance is provided to the State Governments/Union Territories/ Voluntary organisations for the education of the children suffering from mild to moderate handicaps in common schools with the help of special aids, incentives and specially trained teachers.

# 4. Purpose of Grants

Integration of disabled children in the general school system.

# Environmental Orientation to School Education

# 1. Objectives

To create environmental awareness among children.

# 2. Eligibility

State Governments/UTs and non-Governmental organisations (NGOs) imparting environmental education through innovative methods. (since 1997-97 scheme restricted to NGOs only)

# 3. Assistance

Voluntary agencies are provided assistance for conducting experimental and

innovative programmes aimed at promoting integration of educational programmes in school with local environmental conditions.

# III Improvement of Science Education in Schools

#### 1. Objectives

To improve the quality of Science education and promote scientific temper.

# 2. Eligibility

State/UT Govts. and non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs).

#### 3. Purpose of Grants

100% assistance is provided to the States/UTs for provision of science kits to upper primary schools, upgradation of science laboratories and library facilities in secondary/senior secondary schools and training of science and mathematics teachers. The scheme also provides for assistance to voluntary organisations for undertaking innovative projects in the field of science education.

# IV. Scheme of Assistance for Strengthening Culture and Values in Education

1. Objective

Spelling on the cultural perspective in Education and to bridge the schism between the formal system of education and India's rich and varied cultural traditions. The Scheme also aims at strengthening cultural and value education inputs in the school and non-formal education system, and the inservice training of art, craft, music and dance teachers.

#### 2. Eligibility

Voluntary organisations ,public trusts and non-profit making organisations.

# V Scheme for Promotion of yoga in Schools

This scheme has been phased out. A new scheme of Introduction of Yoga in schools is presently being formulated.

- VI Scheme for Strengthening of Boarding and Hostel facilities for Girls students of Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools
- 1 Objectives

To strengthen boarding and hostel facilities for girl students of secondary and higher secondary schools.

2. Eligibility

Registered(for at least 3 years) voluntary organisations, societies, Public Trust and non-profit making bodies.

#### 3. Assistance

100% assistance for providing boarding facilities for girl students studying in secondary/higher secondary stages in the existing hostels/boarding houses being maintained exclusively for girls by the voluntary organisations,

Preference in providing assistance will be given to the girls' hostels/boarding houses located in educationally backward districts, particularly those predominantly inhabited by SCs/STs and educationally backward communities.

- VII Vocationalisation of Secondary Education and Scheme of Pre-Vocational Education at Lower Secondary Stage.
- 1. Objectives

To provide diversification of educational opportunities so as to enhance individual employability, to reduce the mismatch between the demand and supply of skilled manpower and providing an alternative for those pursuing higher education.

To impart training in simple marketable skills to the students of Classes IX and X to develop vocational interests and to facilitate the students in making a choice of vocational courses at the higher secondary level.

#### 2. Eligibility

Registered voluntary agencies/ societies, non-profit making agencies which have been in existence for 3 years.

# 3. Assistance

Assistance is also provided to the eligible voluntary organisations for taking up innovative/experimental programmes in the field of vocational education.

#### **UNIVERSITY AND HIGHER EDUCATION**

#### VIII Grant to Institutions of Higher Learning of All India Importance

1. Objectives

To provide assistance to institutions which are outside the University system and engaged in programmes of innovative character.

#### 2. Eligibility

Voluntary organisations/educational institutions of All India character which are Registered.

#### 3. Assistance

The financial assistance is provided on the basis of the Report of the Visiting Committee which is set up at the end of five year plan.

# ADULT EDUCATION

# IX Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Agencies in Adult Education

1. Objective

To secure extensive involvement of Voluntary Agencies in adult literacy programmes of National Literacy Mission.

2. Eligibility

Registered voluntary societies, public trusts and non-profit making orgnisations which have been in existence for 3 years are eligible.

3. Assistance

100% financial assistance

4. Purpose of Grant

Under the Scheme , Voluntary agencies are provided financial assistance for activities such as:

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taking responsibility for eradication of illiteracy and running of Post Literacy and Continuing Education Programmes in well-defined areas.

organising programmes of vocational and technical education for neo-literates undertaking resource development activities.

innovation, experimentation, learner evaluation and action research.

conducting evaluation studies, organising symposia and conferences & Publications of books periodicals, newspapers etc.

establishing resource centres

# IX(B) Scheme of Shramik Vidyapeeth's in Adult Education

### 1. Objectives

(a) To enrich the personal life of workers and their families by providing opportunities of adult education physical culture and recreation;

(b) To widen the range of workers knowledge and understanding of the social, economic and political systems in order to create in him critical awareness about the environment and his own predicament for better national integration and development

2. Eligibility

Registered societies which have been in existence atleast for 3 years.

3. Assistance

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100% financial assistance

4. Special Features

(a) To enable the workers to play a more effective role as a member of the family and society.

(b) To improve occupational skills and technical knowledge of workers for raising their efficiency and increasing productive ability;

(c) To organise programmes of vocational and technical training with a view to facilitating horizontal/vertical mobility.

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# DEVELOPMENT OF LANGUAGES

- X. Financial Assistance for Promotion of Hindi to Voluntary Organisations including Dakshin Bharat Hindi Prachar Sabha and publications and purchase of books.
- 1. Objectives

To provide financial assistance to Voluntary Organisations, who are engaged in the Promotion of Hindi specially in the Non-Hindi speaking States.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Agencies which are in existence atleast for the last three year.

#### 3. Assistance

(i) 75% of approved expenditure to voluntary Hindi Organisations for Promotion of Hindi.

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(ii) Rs.50,000 or 60% of approved expenditure for constructing of buildings etc.

(iii) 80% of the approved expenditure for Publication of manuscripts in Hindi.

(iv) 100% for descriptive catalogue of rare manuscript

4. Purpose of Grants:

To run classes for teaching of Hindi, courses for Hindi Shorthand and Typewriting and running libraries, etc. Training of teachers, publication of Hindi books/journals, construction of building, preparation and publication of teaching material conducting examinations, prizes etc.

NOTE: ABOVE SCHEME IS NOW BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE CENTRAL HINDI DIRECTORATE, WEST BLOCK NO 7, R.K.PURAM NEW DELHI-11 A SUBORDINATE OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCTION

X(a) Scheme of Publications and purchase of books in Modern Indian Languages and other Promotional activities for the promotion of Indian

# Languages (other than Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu and Sindhi).

# 1. Objectives

Promotion of Modern Indian Languages through publication and purchase of books and through organising seminars, workshops, short term conferences.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations/ trusts, individuals, authors translators or those who intend to publish the books holding the copyright thereof (excluding commercial publishers).

#### 3. Assistance

80% of the total approved expenditure for the publications and 100% for descriptive catalogue and of rare manuscripts of *adhoc* assistance for selected items ranging from 50% to 75% of approved expenditure.

#### 4. Purpose of Grants

Promotion of Modern Indian Languages and English(other than Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu and Sindhi).

#### 5. Special Features

Publications which are conducive to the promotion of Indian languages shall qualify for consideration under scheme viz. Books of references like encyclopaedia, book of knowledge like anthologies, descriptive catalogue, etc., original writing (excluding fiction, drama and poetry, Ph.D thesis, etc.)

NOTE: THE ABOVE SCHEME IS NOW BEING ADMINISTERED BY THE CENTRAL INSTITUTE OF INDIAN LANGUAGES, MYSORE X(b) Scheme of publications and purchase of books in English language and related activities for the promotion of English languages.

# 1. Objectives

Promotion of English language through publication and purchase of books and also by organising seminars, conferences, periodicals, etc.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations/ trusts, individuals, authors, translators or those who intend to publish a book excluding commercial publishers.

# 3. Assistance

80% of the total approved expenditure for the publication and 100% for the descriptive catalogue and adhoc nonrecurring assistance for selected items ranging from 50% to 75% of approved expenditure.

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4. Purpose of Grants

Promotion of English Language

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# X(c) Scheme of Promotion of Sanskrit

#### 1. Objectives

To popularise Sanskrit by setting up new institutions, pathashalas, running Sanskrit teaching classes, running and strengthening Sanskrit libraries etc., and any other activity which may be found conducive to the enrichment , propagation and development of Sanskrit. 2. Eligibility

Voluntary organisations/institutions/ individuals engaged in the field are eligible.

3. Assistance

Financial Assistance upto 75% of the total expenditure

- NOTE: THE SCHEME IS BEING ADMINISTERED THROUGH RASHTRIYA SANSKRIT SANS-THAN, AN AUTONOMOUS BODY UNDER THE DEPARTMENT.
- X(c) Scheme of Assistance to Voluntary Organisations working in the field of Classical Languages including Arabic and Persian
- 1. Objectives

To encourage traditional institutions like Madrasas and Maktabs by giving financial assistance to introduce Science, Mathematics, Social Studies, Hindi and English in their curriculum.

# 2. Eligibility

Voluntary organisations/societies/ trusts, which are registered under the relevant Central or a State Government Acts or Wakf Boards and which have been in existence for three years.

#### 3. Assistance

100% financial assistance for salary and specified teaching/learning material.

#### 4. Purpose of Grants

To appoint qualified teachers of Science, Mathematics, Social Studies and Languages, to assist in establishing book banks and to strengthen libraries in Madrasas for these subjects, to provide Science kits, Mathematics kits, essential equipments, etc.

NOTE: THE SCHME IS IMPLEMENTED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENTS AS A CENTRAL SCHEME. THEREFORE GRANT IS GIVEN TO STATES WHO FURTHER DISBURSE IT TO N.G.OS ETC.

# **BOOK PROMOTION**

#### XI. Scheme of Assistance for Book Promotional Activities

#### 1. Objectives

For organising Seminars/Training Courses/Workshops/Annual Conventions related to the Book Promotional Activities by Writers, Publishers, and Booksellers.

#### 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations of writer, publishers and booksellers and others engaged in the book promotional activities and in existence at least for 3 years

#### 3. Assistance

Grants upto 75% of the total approved expenditure

4. To organise seminars, training courses, annual conventions/conferences of writers/publishers/printers/booksellers, and to conduct research/survey connected with book promotional activities

# EDUCATIONAL PLANNING

XII. Scheme of Studies Seminars, Evaluation, etc for the Implementation of Education Policy

#### 1. Objective

To conduct seminars, evaluation studies, and consultancy assignments, which have a direct bearing on the management and implementation of National Policy on Education and to advise the Government on the best alternatives and models for making the system work.

#### 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations and Non-governmental agencies including social activist groups of repute engaged in research and innovations in the fields of education.

#### 3. Assistance

Financial Assistance to the extent of Rs.1 lakh per project.

# 4. Purpose of Grants

To sponsor seminars, conduct impact and evaluation studies, make consultancy assignments in order to advise the government on the best alternatives and models for making the System Work, making of Video films, etc.

# XIII Scheme of Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities

1. Objectives

To provide basis educational infrastructure and facilities in the areas of concentration of educationally backward minorities which do not have adequate provision for elementary and secondary schools.

# 2. Eligibility

Registered Voluntary Organisations/ Societies/Trusts which have been in existence for three years.

#### 3. Assistance

100% financial assistance for approved projects as approved estimates.

#### 4. Purpose of Grants

(i) Establishment of new primary/upper primary schools, non-formal education centres where such a need is felt and viability established on the basis of a school mapping exercise

(ii) Strengthening of educational infrastructure and physical facilities in the primary /upper primary school

(iiii) Opening of multi-stream residential Higher Secondary Schools for girls where science, commerce, humanities and vocational courses are taught to the Educationally Backward Minorities

# **UNESCO DIVISION**

# XIII. Scheme of financial assistance by the Indian National Commission for co-operation with UNESCO (INCUU), Department of Education.

The Government of India has been a number of the United Nations' Education's Scientific & Cultural organisation (UNESCO) , a specialized agency of the United Nations, since its inception in 1946.

#### 1. Objectives

The Indian National Commission for Co-operation with UNESCO, set up by the Government of India in the Department of Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, offers limited financial assistance for conducting studies, projects, seminars/symposia, workshops/study courses, summer schools/ camps. conferences than annual/regular one, display and circulation of exhibitions, preparation and printing of reports, celebration of UNESCO weeks, lecture programmes, etc. in the field of International understanding, human rights, research and teaching on the problems of peace, study of culture with special emphasis on cultural contents with other countries etc.

#### 2. Eligibility

- Non -governmental organisation affiliated to the Commission as 'Institutional Members';

- UNESCO Clubs and Associated Schools recognized under the Commission's programme of education for international understanding; and

- Other important non-governmental organisation which may have significant projects even though they are not affiliated to the Commission. Applications of Organisations registered with UNESCO body can be submitted to INCUU directly. All others are required to route their applications through State Governments/UTs.

#### 3. Pattern of assistance

- Grant to an individual organisation during any financial year will not exceed Rs. 50,000 ordinarily. In exceptional cases, wherever a programme is sponsored by the Department of Education, the limit may be raised to cover the entire cost of the programme/project upto a maximum of Rs. 75,000/- and

- The organisation which received a grant during one financial year will not be given any further grant till the accounts of the earlier grant has been settled.

4. Purpose of Grant

To help spread the aims and objectives of UNESCO in its areas of competence viz. education, culture, social/natural science and communications.



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