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Dated: Shimla 171001

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To

All the Principal(s) of Govt./Skt./Pvt.
Colleges, in Himachal Pradesh.

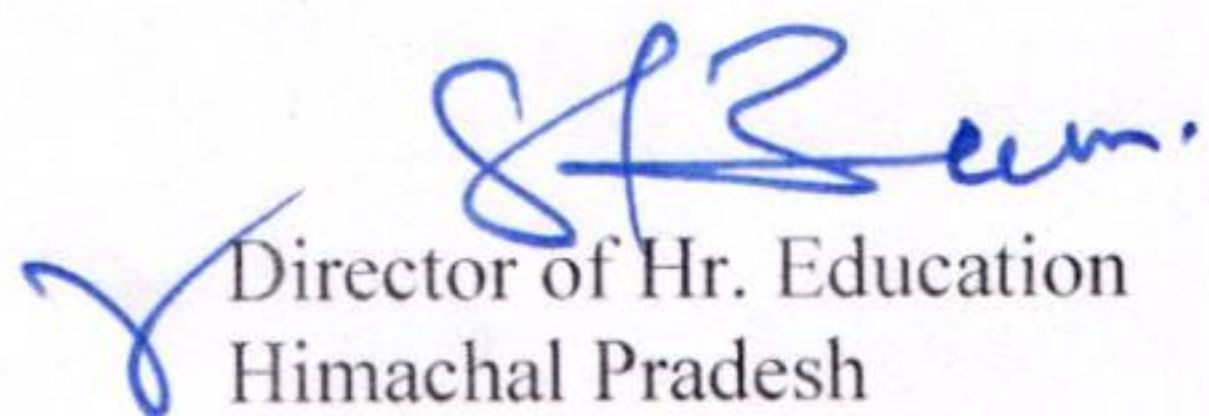
Subject: Regarding Strengthening Inclusive Education for Deaf and Hard Hearing (DHH) learners across educational institutions.

With reference to the subject cited above, please find enclosed herewith a copy of D.O. Letter No. 08-23/AS(MKN)/2026 dated 13.07.2026 received from the Additional Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Government of India, along with its enclosures, regarding a capacity-building initiative aimed at strengthening inclusive education for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (DHH) learners.

The initiative highlights the Faculty Development Programme developed by TEACH (Centre for Teaching Excellence and Inclusion) in collaboration with the Indian Sign Language Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC). The programme is designed to equip educators with the knowledge, pedagogical skills, and practical competencies required for effectively teaching students with disabilities, including Deaf and Hard of Hearing learners. Faculty members may also consider undertaking the Basic Indian Sign Language (ISL) course offered by ISLRTC to further strengthen their capacity for inclusive teaching.

All Principals are directed to give wide publicity to this initiative among faculty members, encourage their participation in the programme, and explore its potential for strengthening inclusive education practices in their respective institutions.

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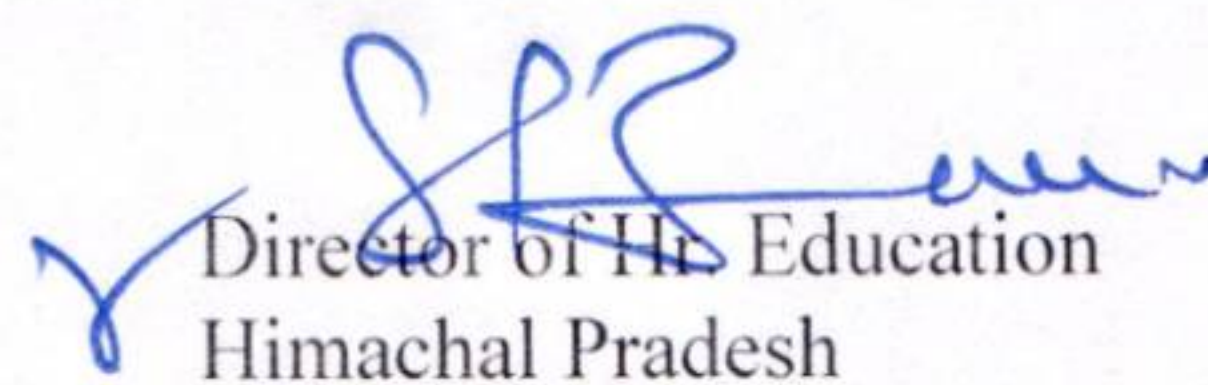
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Copy for information and further necessary action to: -

1. The Secretary (Education) to the Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171002 for information please.
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From

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

To

✓ The Director of Higher Education,
Government of Himachal Pradesh,
Shimla-01.

Dated, Shimla-2, the 21st July, 2026.

Subject :-

Regarding Strengthen Inclusive Education for Deaf and Hard of
Hearing (DHH) learners across educational institutions in our
country.

Madam,

I am directed to enclose herewith a copy of D.O. letter No.
M/11018/1/26/BC dated 13.07.2026 alongwith its enclosures received from Additional
Secretary, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment, Department of Empowerment of
Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan), Gol, Delhi on the subject cited above and to request
you to examine the matter and take appropriate action.

Yours faithfully,

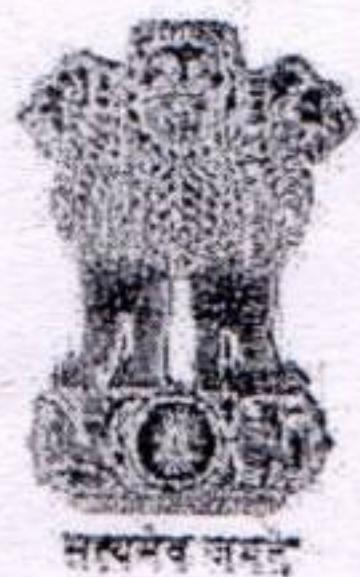
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Government of India

Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities (Divyangjan)

D.O. No. 08-23/AS(MKN)/2026

Dated 13th July, 2026

Madam / Sir,

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writing to draw your attention to an important capacity-building initiative that erable potential to strengthen inclusive education for Deaf and Hard of (H) learners across educational institutions in our country.

e have been many such institutions supported by our Department like usion by Sri Aurobindo Society and the Faculty Development Programme loped by TEACH (Centre for Teaching Excellence and Inclusion) that help ators with the knowledge, pedagogical skills and practical competencies effectively teaching students with disabilities, special learner and Deaf and iring learners.

Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities has consistently strengthening institutional capacities to realise the objectives of the Rights of h Disabilities Act, 2016 and the National Education Policy, 2020. While eworks and infrastructure are important, meaningful inclusion ultimately on the preparedness and sensitivity of our educators. In this context, faculty t initiatives such as this can play an important complementary role.

also pleased to note the collaboration between TEACH and the Indian Sign Research and Training Centre (ISLRTC) under the Department of nt of Persons with Disabilities. The programme also encourages to undertake the Basic Indian Sign Language course offered by ISLRTC, er strengthening communication competencies among educators.

encouraging that the programmes like these have already begun ig outreach and acceptance. TEACH has successfully completed an ntation programme for 35 teachers in Bhuj, Gujarat. The Project inclusion is st large scale online CRE programme that combined academic region with ing. The curriculum integrates theory, practice and reflection. These s reflect the growing recognition of the need for structured capacity- clusive education.

ing a cadre of educators equipped with specialised competencies is creating truly inclusive educational institutions. Such initiatives not only rning outcomes but also contribute towards greater participation, and empowerment of persons with disabilities, thereby supporting India's n of an inclusive and equitable society.

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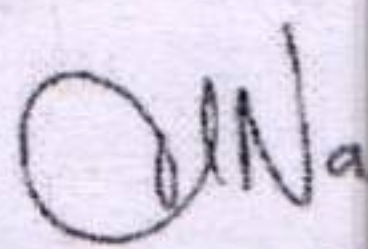
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7. I have also enclosed copies of the TEACH Faculty Development Project Brochure and Project Inclusion for your kind consideration. I would appreciate support in giving this initiative wide dissemination and encouraging educational institutions across your State/UT to explore its potential for strengthening education.

With Regards,

Yours


(Manmohar Kaushik)

The Additional Chief Secretary/ Principal Secretary/Secretary
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