D.O. No. 16-4/2019-IS-15

Respected Sir,

As you are aware, the Department of School Education and Literacy has launched on 21st August, 2019 a National Mission to improve learning outcomes at the elementary level through an Integrated Teacher Training Programme called NISHTHA – National Initiative for School Heads’ and Teachers’ Holistic Advancement.

2. While reviewing the progress of NISHTHA with NCERT recently, few issues have emerged and States and UTs are requested to ensure the following for smooth conduct of the trainings:

a) SCERTs should be completely involved in the conduct, coordination and monitoring of trainings of KRP, SRPLs, teachers and heads of schools.

b) Suitable Venues for KRP training need to be identified, which have at least five spacious rooms with a capacity of 50 each and one hall with a capacity of 300 (e.g., Auditoriums of Colleges, Senior Secondary Schools, Private Schools, etc.). The venue should also be equipped with audio visual facilities, PA system, ICT equipment and other training materials such as, flip chart, crayons, etc. Further, minimum two computers with internet facilities (preferably wifi enabled) should also be available at the training venues of KRP and teachers.

c) The number of participants in a KRP training should not exceed the stated limit of 250 for each batch.

d) The two nodal persons with technical expertise who have been recently trained by CIET on NISHTHA portal have to be present at the training venue during the entire training program.

e) Once a batch of KRP and SRPLs has been trained in a State/UT, the teachers’ and school heads’ training should begin immediately without any delay. It is requested to share the teacher training plan for your State and UT accordingly.
f) It is requested to ensure registration of the teachers including Training needs assessment & post-training assessment during the training only through the online portal.

3. I request your active participation in this national initiative to train all the elementary government teachers' and heads' for their holistic advancement, leadership to improvement in quality of education. You can view the progress report of your State/UT on the Dashboard activated on the online NISHTHA portal nishtha.ncert.gov.in.

With Regards,

Yours sincerely,

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