

IMMEDIATE

No. EDN-B-B(14)-12/2018.  
Government of Himachal Pradesh  
Department of Education.  
(Section-B)

Dated Shimla-2, the 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2020.

From

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

To

- i) The Director of Higher Education,  
HP, Shimla-1.
- ii) The Director of Elementary Education,  
Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.
- iii) The State Project Director  
SSA, H.P. Shimla-1.

Subject: Regarding extension of vacations. Arrangements for online digital  
and distance learning of students w.e.f. 13/07/2020.

Sir,

In continuation of this Department's letter of even number dated 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2020 and in pursuance of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs order No.40-3/2020-DM-I(A), dated 29<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 further circulated by the Ministry of Human Resource, Govt. of India vide their letter No.16-6/2020-UIA, dated 30/06/2020(copy enclosed for ready reference), I am directed to say that schools, colleges, educational and coaching institutions will remain closed till 31.07.2020 & online/distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.

In order to ensure that students continue to learn and also to ensure the safety of the teachers of educational institutions, it has been decided that teachers be permitted to work from home till 31.07.2020 and they will teach students "on line" through digital/distance learning module as per the past practices followed prior to vacations.

Resources developed by SRG for HAR GHAR PATHSHALA, broadcast through Doordarshan and AIR also be used besides various digital and social media platform available for this purpose.



Educational resources available at DIKSHA  
(<https://diksha.gov.in>), e-pathshala(<https://epathshala.nic.in>) or  
<http://epathshala.gov.in>) National Repository of Open Educational Resources  
(NROER)(<http://nroer.gov.in/welcome>), SWAYAM ([www.swayam.gov.in](http://www.swayam.gov.in)) and  
SWAYAM PRABHA([www.swayamprabha.gov.in](http://www.swayamprabha.gov.in)) also be utilized.

You are, therefore, requested to take further necessary action in  
the matter accordingly. These activities also be publicized widely for the  
information of the students.

Yours faithfully,

(Ved Parkash)

Deputy Secretary (Hr. Education) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

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Endst. No. As above.

Dated Shimla-2, the 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2020.

Copy forwarded to the Secretary, Govt. of India, Ministry of Human  
Resource Dev., Deptt. of Higher Education, 127 "C" Wing, Shastri Bhawan,  
New Delhi for information.

**Directorate Elementary Education  
Himachal Pradesh Shimla-171001**

Deputy Secretary (Hr. Education) to the  
Government of Himachal Pradesh.

Endst. No. EDN-H(Ele.)(4)-4-11/2020(Vacation) Dated Shimla-171001 the 10<sup>th</sup> July, 2020.

Copy to:-

1. All the Deputy Directors ( Elementary Education ) H.P with the direction to issue necessary  
instructions to all field functionaries/Schools under your control for the implementation of the  
abovesaid Government decision in letter and spirit under intimation to this office.

2. The Incharge ( IT Cell ) Directorate of Elementary Education H.P Shimla-171001 with the direction  
to upload the same on the Department website immediately.

3. Guard File.

**JOINT DIRECTOR (SCHOOLS )**





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प्रो. राजनीश जैन

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Prof. Rajnish Jain  
Secretary



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D.O.No.F.72-5/2018 (CU)

1<sup>st</sup> July, 2020

Sub: MHA Guidelines for phased reopening (Unlock 2) -reg.

Respected Sir/Madam,

Kindly refer to the letter No. 16-6/2020-U1A dated 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2020 issued by the Secretary, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of India referring MHA order No.40-3/2020-DM-1(A) dated 29.06.2020 whereby it has been directed that colleges and educational institutions will remain closed till 31.07.2020. It has been further stated that online/distance learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged, copy enclosed for ready reference.

In view of above, you are requested to kindly take appropriate action.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

To  
The Vice-Chancellor  
All (45) Central Universities,  
Deemed to be universities and  
Director of IUCs



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127 'C' Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 011

No. 16-6/2020-U1A

Dated the 30 June, 2020

To

The Chairman, UGC

The Chairman, AICTE

Director General, NTA

All other Autonomous Organizations under DHE, MHRD

Subject: MHA Guidelines for phased reopening (Unlock 2)

Dear

MHA vide order no. 40-3/2020-DM-I(A) dated 29.06.2020 has issued guidelines on **Unlock 2**, whereby it has been directed that colleges and educational institutions will remain closed till 31.07.2020. It has been further stated that online/distance-learning shall continue to be permitted and shall be encouraged.

2. In this regard kindly refer to my previous D.O. NO. Secy(HE)/MHRD/2020 dated 21.03.2020, whereby the precautions required to be taken for ensuring the safety of the Faculty members/Teachers/Researchers/Non-Teaching staff of educational institutions and the students still staying in hostels were advised.

3. In order to ensure the safety of the Faculty members/ Teachers/ Researchers/ Non-Teaching staff of higher educational institutions, the following precautions, should be taken:

i. Faculty members/ Teachers/ Researchers/ Non-Teaching staff under your organization should be permitted and advised to work from home till 31.07.2020.

ii. Faculty members/ Teachers/ Researchers should utilize this period for various academic activities, as already communicated vide my D.O. dated 21.03.2020.


*[Handwritten signature]*  
30.6.2020



- iii. The said period shall be counted as being on duty for all Faculty members/ Teachers/ Researchers/ Non-teaching staff including Ad-hoc and contract Teachers whose contracts are valid at least up-to 31.07.2020.
- iv. Aarogya Setu App enables easy identification of potential risk of infection and, therefore, it may be ensured that Aarogya Setup App is installed by the students, faculty and employees to fight against COVID-19.
- v. In case of exigency, any Faculty Member/ Teacher/ Researcher/ Non-teaching staff may attend or be asked to attend the educational institution with all precautionary measures as mentioned in the guidelines issued by MHA/MHFW.
- 4. All Faculty members/ Teachers/ Researchers/ Non-teaching staff should provide their contact details i.e Mobile No., email id, etc to their institutions so that they may be contacted in case of emergency.

Regards,

Yours sincerely,

  
20.6.2022  
(Amit Khare)

Copy to: The Chief Secretaries of all States and UTs with a request to consider similar guidelines for the higher educational institutions under their control.



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Activities to be organised by various departments and organisations of the  
state government in the campaign

S.No	Ministry/Department	Assigned activities
1.	State Department of Housing and Urban Affairs (Ministry of Housing & Urban Affairs, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting on Fundamental Duties of Citizens, Nagrik Kartavya by Nagar Palika/Nagar Nigam</li> <li>• Administering of Pledge at Nagar Palika/Nagar Nigam level</li> </ul>
2.	State Department of Women and Child Development (Ministry of Women & Child Development, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Administering Pledge / Awareness Walks and Runs (at Taluka and Village level)</li> </ul>
3.	State Department of School Education (Department of School Education & Literacy (MHRD), Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State/District Level Debate + Essay Competition / Cultural Programmes</li> <li>• Distribution of brochures and pamphlets in State/District level organizations.</li> <li>• Administering Pledge on Fundamental Duties &amp; reading the Preamble of the Constitution in schools &amp; colleges in special assembly on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2019</li> <li>• Drawing Competition / Quiz / Skit at all levels</li> </ul>
4.	State Department of Higher Education (Department of Higher Education (MHRD), Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Government and State level bodies to conduct debate, essay and quiz competitions in Govt/Private Colleges/Institutions/ Centres</li> <li>• Talks/ Seminars on Fundamental Duties in Colleges at all level</li> </ul>



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5.	State Department of Legal Affairs (Department of Legal Affairs, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bar Council of India/State Bar Councils/District Bar Associations to conduct Seminars/Conference/Talks</li> <li>Public awareness camps by Legal Aid Centres of State / District Legal Service Authorities (under NALSA)</li> </ul>
6.	State Department of Youth Affairs and Sports (Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pledge Ceremony / Awareness Walks/Rallies by Nehru Yuva Kendra (NYK)/ National Service Scheme Groups (NSS), and other citizen bodies (District Authorities to coordinate)</li> </ul>
7.	State Department of Panchayati Raj (Ministry of Panchayati Raj, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Arrange Special Gram Sabha/Special Gram Panchayat meeting where pledge to be administered/Address by Gram Panchayat Head</li> <li>Meeting at Gram Panchayat level and public reading of Report Card of various flagship Scheme of Gol etc.</li> </ul>
8.	State Department of Tourism (Ministry of Tourism, Government of India to coordinate)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize Special visits/tours of school students and youth to any/all places of "Panch Teerth" (Janm Bhoomi of B.R.Ambedkar at Mhow, Shiksha Bhoomi at London, Daeksha Bhoomi at Nagpur, Mahaparinirvan Sthal at Delhi and Chaitya Bhoomi at Mumbai)</li> </ul>
9.	Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Decoration and illumination of State Assembly buildings/House on Constitution Day</li> <li>Organize Special Joint Session/special sitting of Legislative Assembly &amp; Council of the State on Constitution Day</li> </ul>
10.	State Department of Information and Publicity (Ministry of Information & Publicity)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organize curtain raiser activities like appropriate films on making of Indian Constitution, Fundamental Duties, Interviews, talk shows,</li> </ul>



## UGC Revised Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in view of COVID-19 Pandemic

In April 2020, the University Grants Commission constituted an Expert Committee to deliberate and make recommendations regarding the issues related to Examinations and Academic Calendar. Based on the Report of the Committee the UGC issued Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar on 29.04.2020.

The Expert Committee was requested by the UGC to revisit the Guidelines and suggest options for examinations, admissions in the Universities/ Colleges and also for beginning of new academic session as the number of COVID cases is still increasing.

The Commission in its emergent meeting held on 06.07.2020 accepted the Report of the Committee and approved the 'UGC Revised Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in view of COVID-19 Pandemic'.

The highlights of the Guidelines are as under:

- In view of the emerging situation related to COVID-19 pandemic in India, it is important to safeguard the principles of health, safety, fair and equal opportunity for students. At the same time, it is very crucial to ensure academic credibility, career opportunities and future progress of students globally. Academic evaluation of students is very important milestone in any education system. The performance in examinations gives confidence and satisfaction to the students and is a reflection of competence, performance and credibility that is necessary for global acceptability.
- The terminal semester(s)/ final year(s) examinations be conducted by the universities/ institutions by the end of September, 2020 in offline (pen & paper)/ online/ blended (online + offline) mode.
- The students of terminal semester/ final year students having backlog should compulsorily be evaluated by conducting examinations in offline (pen & paper)/ online/ blended (online + offline) mode as per feasibility and suitability.
- In case a student of terminal semester/ final year is unable to appear in the examination conducted by the University for whatsoever the reason(s) may be, he/she may be given opportunity to appear in special examinations for such course(s)/ paper(s), which may be conducted by the university as and when feasible, so that the student is not put to any inconvenience, disadvantage. The above provision shall be applicable only for the current academic session 2019-20 as a one-time measure.
- The guidelines regarding intermediate semester/ year examination, as notified on 29.04.2020 will remain unchanged.
- If need be, the relevant details pertaining to the Admissions and Academic Calendar in the universities and colleges shall be issued separately in place of those mentioned in the earlier