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To

The Deputy Director Higher Education,  
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Chamba/Hamirpur/Kangra/Kullu/Lahaul & Spiti/Mandi  
Himachal Pradesh

**Subject: Regarding Postponement and rescheduling of NTSE Stage –I & NMMS  
Examination–2020 on 21st February,2021 instead of 13th December, 2020**

This is to inform you that NTSE( National talent Search) Stage –I and NMMS examination- 2020 was scheduled to be held on 13th December ,2020.As per guidelines received from NCERT,Delhi , SCERT (H.P.)had started the process for registration / enrollment of students in the state including other modalities for NTSE stage –I and NMMS examinations.

The schools in Himachal Pradesh reopened on 21st September,2020 for teaching/non teaching only and on 2nd November,2020 for students of 9th to 12th classes. But due to sudden spike in the covid-19 cases including school teachers and students ,the Himachal Pradesh Government decided to close down the schools by granting special vacation to all government and private schools from 11th November, 2020 to 25th November ,2020 vide letter no. EDN-B-B (14)-12/2018 dated 11th November 2020 issued by the Secretary (Education) to the Govt. of Himachal Pradesh.

Due to sudden closure of schools,the students are facing a problem in getting verified their documents by the Head / Principal of the school, required for the registration/enrollment for NTSE & NMMS examinations.

*Keeping in view the Covid 19 pandemic situation the NTSE Stage-I and NMMS -2020 examinations have been postponed and rescheduled on 21st February ,2021 for smooth conduct and larger participation of the students in the examinations.*

*The last date for online submission of application forms for both NTSE & NMMS examinations has been extended till 20th December,2020.*

You are very kindly requested to share the above information with all the schools in your district.

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