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**Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001**

**PRESS RELEASE**

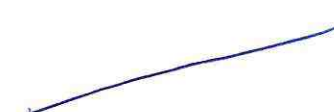
In continuation of this Department Press Release even number dated 31<sup>st</sup> August, 2020 and 17<sup>th</sup> October, 2020 regarding applying and submitting of online application forms on **National Scholarship Portal (NSP)** <https://scholarships.gov.in/> under the Pre-Matric, Post-Matric and Merit-cum-Means based Minority Scholarship Schemes implemented by the Ministry of Minority Affairs (MoMA), Govt. of India with 100% Central funding for the Session 2020-2021. Under these Schemes, Scholarships are awarded to the Economically weaker and Meritorious Students from Centrally notified minority communities viz. Buddhist, Christian, Jain, Muslim, Sikh pursuing studies in India in a Government or recognised Private University /Institute/College/School.

The Central Government has decided to extend the date upto **30<sup>th</sup> November, 2020** on National Scholarship Portal (NSP) for the year 2020-21, as per the decision of DBT Mission. The timelines of filling up of forms for fresh and renewal applications for all 3 Scholarship Schemes has been extended upto **30<sup>th</sup> November, 2020**. Other timelines are as under:-

a	Last date for first level of verification on NSP Portal for submission of Pre-Matric, Post-Matric and Merit-cum-Mean based scholarship application.	15 <sup>th</sup> December, 2020
b	Last date for second level of verification under the Pre-Matric Post-Matric and Merit-cum-Mean based scholarship application.	31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2020

The registration of fresh and renewal application forms is very slow. A large number of Schools/Institutes have either not applied for the registration or there registration is pending for approval at the level of District Nodal Officers (DNO)/State Nodal Officers (SNO). Therefore, all Head(s) of the Institutions(s) of Schools/Institutes are directed to complete the verification in time and send it to their respective DNO/SNO for verification at L2 level. The Schools/Institutes which are yet to complete the KYC process need to be pursued vigorously by DNO/SNO to complete the process so that, no deserving eligible child is left out from the benefit of Scholarship Schemes.

For any queries/problems contact during office time from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm: on 0177-2656622 & 0120 - 6619540

  
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1. The Secretary (Edu.), to the Govt. HP Shimla-2 for information please.

2. The Joint Secretary to the Government of India, Ministry of Minority Affairs, 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Pt. Deendayal Antyodaya Bhawan, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi- 110003.
3. The Director, All India Radio Centre, Shimla-171004.
4. The Director, Doordarshan Centre, Shimla-171004.
5. The Editor, The Tribune Newspaper, The Indian Express Newspaper, The Times of India Newspaper, Hindustan Times Newspaper, Shimla.
6. The Director, Public Information and Public Relation Department, Himachal Pradesh, Shimla – 171002, for publication please.
7. The TO, IT Cell, DHE HP, with direction to upload the above Press Release on the Departmental website.

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