## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ASSAM KAHILIPARA:::::::::GUWAHATI-19

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No. DHE/PA/Order/16/2016/119

Dated Kahilipara the 13th May 2020.

From:

Smti. Gitimoni Phukan, ACS Director Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

To,

The Registar,
 All State Universities, Assam

2) The Principal (All)
Govt. and Provincialised Colleges, Assam

Sub:

Govt. Notification.

Ref:

Notification No. AHE. 202/2020/24 dated 11-5-2020.

Sir/Madam,

With reference to the subject cited above, I have the honour to forward herewith the Govt. notification bearing number AHE. 202/2020/24 dated 11-5-2020 as mentioned under reference in connection with the prolonged closure of Educational Institutions due to lockdown to combat the COVID-19 pandemic for favour of your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

Memo No. DHE/PA/Order/16/2016/119-A

Dated Kahilipara the 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Copy to:-

- 1. The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind information.
- 2. The P.S to the Hon'ble Minister Education, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind appraisal of Hon'ble Minister Education, Assam.

3. Guard file.

Director of Higher Education, Assam Kahilipara, Guwahati-19.

GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE COMMISSIONER & SECRETARY, EDUCATION
(ELEMENTARY, SECONDARY & HIGHER) DEPARTMENT
DISPUR - GUWAHATI-781006

No AHE 202/2020/24

Dated Dispur the 11th May 2020

## NOTIFICATION

Considering the prolonged closure of Educational Institutions due to lockdown to combat the COVID-19 pandemic, the Government of Assam constituted a Task force to deliberate and make recommendation related to continuation of education of the students during the lockdown period. On the basis of the recommendations of the Task force, Government of Assam decided as follows:

- 1. Government is contemplating for replacement of the Academic Year from January -December to April- March every year and in the current year the academic year shall be extended up to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2021. This will compensate the loss of academic days due to lockdown. Secondly this will be in conformity with the academic year of CBSE and most of the other state. In order to arrive at conclusion on the above, views of stake holders shall be helpful. All the stake holders are requested to give their opinion on the webpage available on the official website of Board Of Secondary Education, Assam i.e. <a href="http://sebaonline.org">http://sebaonline.org</a> in the link "suggestions on revision of academic year.
- It is decided to pre pone the summer vacation of all educational institutions up to University level scheduled to start from 1st July onwards to 1st May 2020 to 31st May 2020.
- The Distance Education presently extended by all teachers including faculty members of Colleges/Universities/Technical Institutions should continue.
- 4. Wide publicity of the e- Initiatives of Government like Diksha App , Biswa Bidya Assam App are helpful for the students. The teachers should encourage the students to download these Apps and materials as prescribed and also intimate and sensitise the students and parents for watching classes broadcasted through Door Darshan and All India Radio which would be done in a systematic manner. The schedule of classes would be shared with them in advance
- 5. It was also agreed that Government will organize through Samagra Siksha Abhiyan various types of competition like writing of essays, poems, short notes on selected topics on various subjects like current affairs, political science, constitution etc for the students of class IX to third year Degree which will be conducted digitally and through other legally acceptable means. The topics class wise, will be informed through Television channels. After opening of Educational Institutions, the evuluation of entries of all participants will be carried out and there will be prizes for Institution level, District level and State level.

- 6. All the Students from class VI to class XII are requested to prepare projects on science and innovative ideas, writing of poems etc. during the lockdown period. After opening of the Educational Institutions there shall be exhibition at School, Block, district and state Level for display of all such creations and prizes will be awarded.
- 7. The Board of Secondary Education, Assam and Assam Higher Secondary Education Council will announce their results within time. Presently they will provide digital mark sheets through digital mode. They vill also provide the Result Gazette in PDF format to each Educational Institutions. All the Educational Institutions will arrange for admission of the student based on the digital mark sheet and verification through the Result Gazette so communicated. In case of doubt they can refer to the respective Board. The respective Board also provide the hard copy of Mark Sheet and Certificate after opening of the Educational Institutions. The admission procedure should be online as far as practicable. In case of admission through offline method proper care has to be taken for physical distancing and other safety norms. All the Educational Institutions must capture the data of the bank accounts of each student, so that in case of any need of the student, benefits extended by the Government can be passed on to the studer ts by DBT.
- 8. For continuation research studies of those students who have to take assistance of facility exist in Universities or colleges, it was agreed that such scholars may be allowed to attend the concerned Educational institution after observing all safety measures as suggested by the Health department from 1<sup>st</sup> June onwards and subject to guidelines of MHA.
- Universities may adopt alternative and simplified mode of semesters etc as suggested by University Grant Commission after making comprehensive assessment of their level of preparedness, status of COVID-19 pandemic spread in the state.
- 10. For distribution of Textbooks of Class XII, all the Educational Institutions has to make arrangement from 26th May to 28 th May 2020 in such a manner that all norms of physical distancing can be maintained property. They should call the students in batches after communicating the date and time to each student to avoid large gathering. Concerned agency and inspector of Schools must ensure that Textbooks reaches to the Educational Institutions/Book Stalls before 22 nd May 2020.
- 11. All concerned administrative authorities of all Educational Institutions including Technical Institution will closely monitor all activities and they will extend all necessary support and assistance in carrying out the above-mentioned guidelines.

Sd/-( Preetom Saikia IAS ) Commissioner & Secretary, Education (Higher, Secondary & Elementary) Department, Assam Memo No. AHE. 202/2020/24 - A

Dated Dispur, the 11th May, 2020

Copy to :-

- All Vice Chancellors of Universities for information and necessary action.
- MD, Sarba Siksha Abhiyan(SSA), Kahilipara, Guwahati-19 for information.

3. S.O. to Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati - 6.

O.S.D. to Hon'ble Minister of Education, Assam, Dispur, Guwahati – 6.

- The Chairman, Assam Higher Secondary Education Council Bamunimaidam, Guwahati 21.
  He is also requested to make a effective plan for holding of class room transaction of the students of class XII.
- The Chairman , Board of Secondary Education, Assam, Bamunimaidam, Guwahati 21.
- Director of Information & Public Relations, Assam for information with a request for the wide publicity of the notification.
- The Joint Secretary, Higher Education / Technical Education / Secondary Education / Elementary Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati 6.
- 9 The Director of Higher Education / Technical Education / Secondary Education / Elementary Education, 2 ssam, Kahilipara, Guwahati 19 for taking necessary action.

10. Director, SCERT for information.

- 11. All Deputy Commissioner, Assam with a request for wide publicity and strict monitoring of the implementation of the provisions contained in the notification
- 12. All Inspector of Schools of Assam for information with a request for wide publicity and strict monitoring of the implementation of the provisions contained in the notification.
- 13.All District Elementary Education Officer of Assam for information with a request for wide publicity and strict monitoring of the implementation of the provisions contained in the notification

14.P.S. to Advisor Education, Assam for information.

- P.S. to Principal Secretary, Secondary Education / Elementary Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati – 5.
- 16.P.S to Commissioner & Secretary, Education(Higher, Secondary & Elementary) Department, Dispur, Guyahati – 6.
- 17.P.S. to Secretary, Higher Education / Technical Education / Secondary Education / Elementary Education Department, Dispur, Guwahati 6.

By order etc.

Deputy Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department, Assam, Disput.