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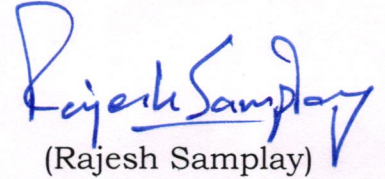
New Delhi, the 24th August, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Monthly summary for the Cabinet for the month of July, 2023-reg.

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary for the Cabinet relating to the significant activities of the Department of School Education and Literacy for the month of July, 2023.

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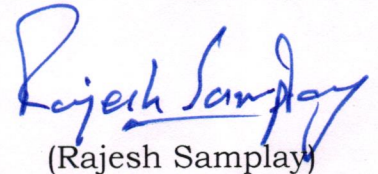
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Monthly Summary for the Cabinet for the month of July, 2023

Important developments and activities during the month of July, 2023

I. Financial Achievements/Releases :

13.15 % of the BE was released by 31st July, 2023.

II. Important policy decisions and activities/ initiatives:

S. No.	Subject	Brief
1	2nd Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Smagam	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ministry of Education in collaboration with the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship organized the 2nd Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Smagam coinciding with 3rd Anniversary of National Education Policy on 29th and 30th July, 2023 at Bharat Mandapam, Pragati Maidan. The Hon'ble Prime Minister inaugurated Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam 2023 on 29th July 2023.• The objectives of the Samagam were to brainstorm and identify various approaches and methodologies to implement NEP 2020.• During the Smagam, HPM also released the first installment of funds under the PM SHRI Scheme. 6207 schools received the first installment with a total amounting to 630 crore Rupees. He also released education and skill curriculum books translated into 12 Indian languages.• The 2 day event saw the participation of academicians in the 16 thematic sessions on various themes of School Education, Higher Education and Skill Education. They were led by eminent and distinguished panelists from amongst the academicians, researchers, policy makers, regulators, industry experts/representatives, Officers of Government of India/ State & UT Governments etc.• During the course of two days, a total of 106 significant Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) were signed, encompassing various sectors such as higher education, school education, and skilling.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An exhibition showcasing the best initiatives from the world of school and higher education and the skill ecosystem was a prominent attraction during the celebrations. The multimedia exhibition featured 200 stalls set up by institutions, organizations under the education and skill landscape, industry, and key stakeholders. • Around 3000 participants attended the sessions, including Principal Secretaries of Education / Skill Department of States / UTs, Directors of IITs, NITs, IIITs, IISERs, IISC, Vice-chancellors of Central, State and Private Universities, Heads of other HEIs, faculties, Principals / Teachers / Students of Schools, ITIs, Heads/representatives of Regulatory Bodies like NCERT, CBSE, UGC, AICTE, NCTE, NCVET, SSCs, NSDC and other prominent officials from industry and academia, along with Heads/representatives of CII, FICCI, NASSCOM, ASSOCHAM, etc.
2	Meeting with Australia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hon. Union Minister for Education and Skill Development & Entrepreneurship met his Australian counterpart in New Delhi on 20th July 2023. The two ministers discussed ongoing collaborations between the two countries in the areas of education and skill development, and how these relations can be expanded and deepened further.
3	PGI 2.0	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Ministry of Education had devised a Performance Grading Index (PGI) for States and UTs to assess the performance of the school education system at the State/UT level. • In order to have a more updated base with quality indicators, to align with new initiatives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, to monitor indicators relating to Goal 4 of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and to replace existing indicators which have already achieved optimal target, the PGI - State structure for 2021-22 has been revised and renamed as PGI 2.0. • The PGI 2.0 structure comprises 1000 points across 73 indicators grouped into 2 categories viz., Outcomes, Governance Management (GM). These categories are further divided into 6 domains, viz., Learning Outcomes (LO), Access (A), Infrastructure & Facilities (IF), Equity (E), Governance Process (GP) & Teachers Education and Training (TE&T). • PGI 2.0 for 2021-22 classified the States/UTs into ten grades viz., the highest achievable Grade is Daksh, which is for State/UT scoring more than 940 points out of total

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PGI 2.0 for 2021-22 classified the States/UTs into ten grades viz., the highest achievable Grade is Daksh, which is for State/UT scoring more than 940 points out of total of 1000 points. The lowest grade is Akanshi-3 which is for a score up to 460. PGI 2.0 report for 2021-22 has been released on 7th July 2023 and can be accessed at https://www.education.gov.in/statistics-new?shs_term_node_tid_depth=391&Apply=Apply The PGI 2.0 is expected to help States and UTs to pinpoint the gaps and prioritize areas for intervention to ensure that the school education system is robust at every level.
4	PM SHRI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PM SHRI Project Approval Board (PAB) meeting to consider the Annual Work Plan and Budget (AWP&B) of PM SHRI Scheme held for 27 States/UTs and KVS/NVS on 18.07.2023. PM SHRI Project Approval Board (PAB) Minutes for the Annual Work Plan & Budget (AWP&B) for FY 2023-24 issued to 27 States/UTs and KVS/NVS dated 21.07.2023. Release of Rs. 630.11 cr as 1st installment to 27 States/UTs and KVS/NVS dated 29.07.2023 by Hon'ble Prime Minister under PM SHRI Scheme.
5	ULLAS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Logo, Slogan/Tagline: Jan Jan Sakshar and popular Name: ULLAS (Understanding of Lifelong Learning for All in Society) of Nav Bharat Saksharta Karyakram were launched by Hon'ble Minister of Education on 29.07.2023 during Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam, 2023 at Bharat Mandapam, International Exhibition-cum-Convention Centre, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi. ULLAS Mobile App was also launched for the self-registration of volunteers and learners. The ULLAS (Understanding Lifelong Learning for All in Society) initiative aims to foster a learning ecosystem that reaches every citizen aged 15 and above who lost the opportunity to go to school. It is being implemented through volunteerism. volunteers take part in the scheme as DUTY or Kartavya Bodh towards nation building. The scheme incentivizes the student volunteers through credits in school/ university and other forms of appreciation
6	SAKURA Student	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) and the Department of School Education and Literacy, Ministry of Education, Government of India have been implementing

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	Exchange Program	<p>Sakura Science High School Programme under Sakura Science Programme (SSP) since 2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The students are invited under the programme for short-term visits to Japan, giving them the opportunity to experience Japan's cutting-edge science and technology as well as its culture. • Under this programme, on 8th July 2023, a team of 63 students and escort teachers were flagged off for an educational exposure visit to various places of importance - industrial organisations, museums, universities, research institutions etc. of Japan from 9th July to 15th of July, 2023. These students will be exposed to a multifaceted experience that combines academic research, cultural exploration, and meaningful interaction with local peers and Students • The students will also interact with students from Mongolia, Samoa, Solomon Islands and Tonga who are also participating in the program. • These young learners are academic performers from Kendriya Vidyalayas and Navodaya Vidyalayas from classes 11-12
7	Vidyanjali	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of School Education and Literacy (DoSEL), Ministry of Education signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with PHD Chamber of Commerce and Industry (PHDCCI) on Vidyanjali on 13 July, 2023. • Vidyanjali is a school volunteer management program of Ministry of Education that aims to strengthen Government and Government aided schools through community and private sector involvement across the country. This initiative connects volunteers from all spheres of life including the industry. • By leveraging the expertise and resources of the PHD Chamber of Commerce, this collaboration seeks to create a powerful synergy that will positively impact the quality of education with the help of industries' efforts in CSR for schools through the Vidyanjali portal.
8	CBSE circular	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The National Education Policy 2020, in paragraph 4.12, emphasizes the significant cognitive advantages of multilingualism for young learners, particularly when they are exposed to multiple languages from the foundational stage, with a specific focus on their mother tongue.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CBSE vide its circular dated 21st July 2023 has requested all CBSE affiliated schools to consider using Indian languages, as enumerated in Schedule 8 of the Indian Constitution, as the medium of Instruction from the Foundational Stage till the end of the Secondary Stage i.e. from pre-primary classes till class XII as an optional medium in addition to other existing options. • Schools may explore the available resources, consult with experts in the field, and collaborate with other schools to share best practices.
9	Miscellaneous	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SAMAGRA SIKSHA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Funds released under Samagra Shiksha upto July 2023 (cumulative - all States/UTs/National Component)-Rs. 3411.34 Crore. ➤ Funds released under Samagra Shiksha up to July 2023 (Rajasthan)-Rs. 1747.77 Crore ➤ Rs. 85284.89 lakh released to State Government of Madhya Pradesh as first instalment under Samagra Shiksha Scheme during the current financial year 2023-24. ➤ An amount of Rs.23108.93 lakhs has been released as 1st Installment to Chhattisgarh State under Samagra Shiksha for the year 2023-24. • PM POSHAN <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ 1st installment of amount Rs. 15658.42 lakh has been released on 05.07.2023 to the state Govt. of MP under PM POSHAN Scheme. • STARS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ An amount of Rs. 43.50 Crore to the State of Maharashtra and Rs. 45.17 Crore to the State of Kerala has been released for implementation of STARS Project in the States during 2023-24. • Vidyanjali <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ During the month of July 2023, an additional 1.48 lakh schools onboarded and 8,000 new volunteers registered on the portal raising the cumulative total to 6.27 lakh schools.

AUTONOMOUS BODIES ACTIVITIES:

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<p style="text-align: center;">Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Balvatika-3 (5+) in 450 identified KVs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ In consonance with NEP 2020, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has initiated the process to open One section of Balvatika- III (BV-III) for children of age group 5+ years in 450 KVs from the session 2023-24.
<p style="text-align: center;">Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti (NVS)</p>	<p>A. Action taken on National Education Policy 2020:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ MoU Between NVS & IBM: A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between NVS and IBM (India) in the presence of Ministers of State for Education during 2nd Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam and celebration of 3rd year of NEP - 2020 implementations at Pragati Maidan (New Delhi) on 29th July, 2023 for the promotion of STEM activities among the girl students registered under the Vigyan Jyoti Program. <p>B. <u>AZADI KA AMRIT MAHOTSAV:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A special sitting of Youth Parliament has been organized at JNV Udaipur (Rajasthan) on 21st July, 2023 on the theme of 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav'. ➤ Tribal Empowerment Activities have been conducted in JNVs as per the following details under the programme of Ministry of Tribal Affairs, Govt. of India, in which 33,640 participants of 107 JNVs have participated: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Organizing Tribal Festivals / Stalls / Exhibition / Kiosk. b. Painting / Quiz / Essay Competition / Poster Making / Career Counselling / Tree Plantation etc. c. Sports Meet. <p>C. <u>OTHER ACTIVITIES, PROGRAMMES AND ACHIEVEMENTS:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Soil Testing Lab in JNVs: 10 JNVs (i.e. S.B.S. Nagar, Mohali, Yamuna Nagar, Sonapat, Angul, Dhenkenal, Vaishali, Chickmanglore, Cuttack and Mehsana) have been identified to establish soil testing lab under

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	<p>the programme of Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers' Welfare, Govt. of India.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recruitments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Select list for the post of Post Graduate Teachers (PGTs), Miscellaneous Category Teachers, TGT Third Language and Female Staff Nurse were published in July 2023.
National Council of Educational Research and Training (NCERT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A national seminar on Promoting Innovative Practices and Experiments in Education for Schools and Teacher Education Institutions was held at NIE, New Delhi on 17th - 18th July 2023. • A workshop for the development of quadrilingual (Urdu-Urdu, Hindi-English-Sanskrit) illustrated dictionary of cultural words was held at NIE, New Delhi from 15th to 19th July 2023 • A workshop for the development of a trilingual dictionary (English - Urdu version) of Political Science for Schools was held at NIE, New Delhi from 10th to 14th July 2023. • 6,676 textbooks are energized by States/UTs which are available on DIKSHA. As on 31st July 2023 in DIKSHA, 3,17,496 e-Contents for CWSN, 4,210 audiobook chapters, 954 textbook-based ISL videos, 2,205 resources for Foundational Literacy and Numeracy, 954 textbook-based ISL videos and 218.
Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Commemoration of 3rd Anniversary of NEP-2020 through CBSE - One Child, One Plant Campaign To commemorate the 3rd anniversary of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, CBSE undertook a sensitisation campaign for schools and students on the environmental concerns such as energy conservation, wastage of food at social gatherings, hazards of electronic waste, conservation of petroleum products, plastic pollution etc. The Board also proposed a massive tree plantation campaign called 'CBSE - One Child, One Plant Campaign' in all the schools from 29th July 2023 to 28th August 2023. • EXAMINATION Supplementary Examinations, 2023 of Class X & XII were conducted in smooth & fair manner w.e.f. 17.07.2023 to 22.07.2023. No untoward incidents were reported from any centre across the country & abroad.
National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on the draft documents of NPST, ITEP and NMM- 13th July 2023. The final draft document of the Curriculum Framework of ITEP, "Bluebook on Mentoring" of the National Mission for Mentoring (NMM) and the Guiding Document of National Professional Standards for Teachers (NPST) were presented before the Secretary DOSE&L team

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	at Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi by the NCTE team led by Member Secretary, NCTE on 13th July 2023.
National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2nd Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam 2023: NIOS participated and signed several Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs) on July 29, 2023 on the occasion of celebration of 3rd anniversary of NEP-2020 and 2nd Akhil Bhartiya Shiksha Samagam.

STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF E-GOVERNANCE

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