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Dy. Secy. (Adm.)  
Office of the Comm. & Secy.  
to the Govt. of Assam  
Education (Elementary) Deptt.  
Dispur, Guwahati-6  
Dy. No. 743  
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To  
✓ The Commissioner & Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,  
Education (Elementary) Department,  
Assam Secretariat,  
Dispur, Assam.

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Sub :- Proposal of Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) course of two years duration through ODL mode to be conducted for untrained teachers in Elementary Schools in the State of Assam by KK Handique State Open University, Guwahati.

Sir,

Please refer to your letter no. PM/404/2011/7 dated 05/12/2011 on the above-cited subject whereby you have submitted a proposal for conducting Diploma in Elementary Education Programme through distance mode by KK Handique State Open University, Guwahati for training of untrained teachers of Assam. The proposal was examined in light of the Appendix - 9 (Norms and Standards for Diploma in Elementary Education programme through Open and Distance Learning System leading to Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.) of the National Council for Teacher Education (Recognition, Norms & Procedure) Regulations, 2009 by the NCTE Committee and the State Government was requested to make presentation before NCTE Committee highlighting the specific points. The presentation was made by the State Govt. before the NCTE Committee on 12<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 and subsequently on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 and further details were furnished by the State Government.

2. The Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education (RTE) Act, 2009 requires appointment of teachers with the qualifications prescribed by NCTE vide notification dt. 25.08.2010, as amended on 02.08.2011. The RTE Act also provides that persons who do not possess the prescribed qualifications would require to acquire the same within a period of 5 years.

3. After taking into account the details submitted by the State Government and the discussions held, the NCTE Committee in its meeting held on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2012 has decided to accord its approval in principle to the State Government of Assam to conduct the D.El.Ed. programme through ODL Mode by KK Handique State Open University, Guwahati for training of 68,727 untrained teachers in the State, with the terms and conditions mentioned below:-

- i. The 2-year D.El.Ed programme in ODL-cum-contact mode would be conducted by the by KK Handique State Open University, Guwahati. As a part of monitoring by the NCTE, a Committee of experts appointed by the NCTE shall regularly oversee implementation of the training programme and provide feedback and suggestions for its effective implementation.
- ii. The State Government would conduct the D.El.Ed. Course under revised syllabus and study material prepared in accordance with the principles laid down in the NCFTE, 2009. The developed curriculum, self learning materials, model lesson plans and audio visual materials shall be used by the study centers
- iii. The programme shall be conducted by the State Government using infrastructural and instructional facilities of the 22 D.Ed institutions (including 18 DIETs) and 52 B.Ed institutions

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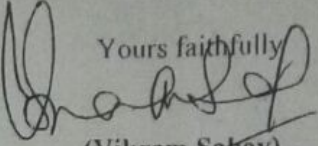
recognized by the NCTE, and 101 colleges in the State which have been identified by the State Government. A two tier evaluation shall be used by the institution continuous and comprehensive evaluation and term-end examinations.

- iv. The mentors for the contact programmes will be persons having the requisite qualifications as prescribed by the NCTE. The training would be conducted in a phased manner, taking into account the capacity of the study centres.
- v. The detailed programme schedule for the 300 contact hours divided into following four components along with examination scheme shall be submitted to NCTE before the commencement of the programme.

Academic Counseling	:	144 hours
Workshops	:	24 days
School based	:	15 study hours
Teaching practice	:	80 study hours

- ✓ vi. The State Govt. shall obtain no objection certificate from the Distance Education Council for running the D.El.Ed. Programme of two years duration through the ODL Mode.
- vii. The duration of the programme shall be of two academic sessions/years.
- viii. The commencement and completion of the programme shall be so regulated that two long spells of vacations (summer/winter) are available to the learners for guided/supervised instructions and face to face contact sessions.
- ix. Each study centers shall enroll only one hundred students in a given session.
- x. The Programme should be offered only to those teachers who have been appointed in accordance with the NCTE Notification dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2010, and other provisions of the RTE Act. 2009.
- xi. The institution offering D.El.Ed. programme through ODL system shall have an exclusive core full time faculty of six members comprising of Professor – 1, Reader/Associate professor – 1, Lecturer/Assistant Professor – 4 with expertise in all disciplines like Education, Science, Mathematics, Social Science and two language i.e. English and Regional languages. One faculty member shall be designated as programme co-ordinator.
- xii. Teacher Education/Supervisor engaged for various activities at the study centers shall be fully qualified as per NCTE norms and must be oriented by State Board/SCERT in the practice of ODL system from time to time.
- xiii. Resource persons should be engaged as per needs of the programmes which may preferably in the ration of 1:50.
- xiv. The State Government shall ensure that DIETs and other Elementary teacher education institutions have sufficient number of intake so as to meet the requirement of elementary teachers in accordance with RTE Act 2009.
- ✓ 4. Before commencing the programme the State Govt. would provide modified D.El.Ed. Programme with details of the material prepared for D.El.Ed. programme through ODL mode to NCTE Hqrs. and

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would submit an undertaking that this programme would be restricted to the 68,727 untrained working teachers.

Yours faithfully  
  
(Vikram Sahay)  
Convener

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