

F.No. 1-3/2012-EE-4
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of School Education & Literacy
EE-4 Section

New Delhi, dated the 24th March, 2015.

To
Chairman,
National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS),
A-24-25, Institutional Area, Sector-62,
NOIDA,
Uttar Pradesh.

Subject: Extension of OBE programme (6 to 14 years age group) beyond March, 2015.

Sir,

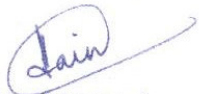
Please refer to your letters No. F.-132-4/2013/NIOS/CMO/109 dated 07.11.2014 and No. F.-132-4/2013/NIOS/CMO/110 dated 26.12.2014 on the subject cited above.

2. This Department has been informed that during the last four years, 27,320 learners of the age group of 6-14 years have successfully passed all the three levels of the Open Basic Education (OBE) programme. Considering the fact that despite the progress made towards providing Universal Elementary Education, the country still has significant number of Out of School Children and faces challenges in retention and transition rates. The OBE programme would provide a supplementary/complementary/alternative channel to such children.

3. It has been decided to extend the continuance of the OBE programme for another two years i.e. up to 31st March, 2017 subject to NIOS showing regular progress on mainstreaming children as per Section 4 of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,


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