

Important policy decisions and activities/initiatives

during the month of August 2016

(Department of School Education and Literacy)

- (i) A meeting was taken by me with NCERT on 10.8.2016 to review the steps needed to conduct a census-based National Achievement Survey (NAS) in all subjects of all classes from 1 to 8 in all Government schools.
- (ii) A National workshop of State Nodal Officers associated with National Means-cum Merit Scholarship Scheme and National Scheme of Incentive to Girls for Secondary Education was organized on 17.8.2016 at New Delhi to familiarize them with the working of National Scholarship Portal which is the DBT platform for on-line submission of proposals.
- (iii) NIOS Learners Assessment Test was held on 410 Sakshar Bharat districts on 21.8.2016. More than 72 lakh learners appeared in the test.
- (iv) Out of 54 Kendriya Vidyalays approved for opening by Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) 45 KVs have been opened so far.
- (v) All the State Governments/ UTs were furnished guidelines for nomination of awardee schools at district and State levels under Swachh Vidyalaya Puraskar scheme.
- (vi) A case by case review of public grievance petitions pending for more than 45 days was taken by me with Autonomous organizations. This has resulted in significant improvement in disposal. Only 2 cases were pending for more than 60 days.