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**PERSONAL ATTENTION**

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Directorate of Higher Education  
Himachal Pradesh

Dated : Shimla-171001, 09-08- 2011.

To

All the Deputy Directors of Higher Education  
in Himachal Pradesh.

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Nomination of students for Initiative for Research & Innovation in Science (IRIS).

Sir/Madam,

It is to bring your kind notice that the Department of Science and Technology, Confederation of Indian Industry and Intel partnership is the merger of two programs with a common mission of promoting the spirit of science, the "Intel Science Talent Discovery fair" and CII-DST's "Steer the Big Idea" into one programme, 'IRIS-Initiative for Research & Innovation in Science'. IRIS recognizes that parents, teachers, guides and scientists provide essential support and inspiration to young students. IRIS plans to organize a special programs and workshops for parents, teachers and scientists, to help them gain a deeper understanding of IRIS and their role in shaping young scientists. There are workshops planned for scientists too, offering specialized training and help so that they can use IRIS to drive scientific research capabilities amongst students participants.

IRIS is organized every year and the students of class 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> (Category-I) and 9<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> (Category-II) can participate in the programme. For more details please log on official website [www.intel.com/education/in](http://www.intel.com/education/in) and [www.educationindia.net/iris](http://www.educationindia.net/iris). The IRIS handbook can be downloaded from [http://www.sciencesociety.in/IRIS Handbook](http://www.sciencesociety.in/IRIS_Handbook). For any other information related to this programme you may also contact Sh. Nitin Chandel, Project Manager (INTEL) on his e-mail ID [nitin.chandel@niit.com](mailto:nitin.chandel@niit.com).

Therefore, you are requested to promote this scheme and issue necessary directions to all the field functionaries to encourage the students to submit their entries as per the schedule. A sample of workshop kit of 2009 alongwith CD is enclosed herewith for your record and ready reference please.

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