

Press Release

State Education Ministers Conference and Meeting of Central Advisory Board of Education (CABE).

Sh. I. D.Dhiman, Hon'ble Education Minister of Himachal Pradesh attended the above meeting in New Delhi on 18th and 19th June, 2010 chaired by Sh. Kapil Sibal, Hon'ble Human Resource Development Minister alongwith Principal Secretary (Education) and Director Higher Education. In these meetings opinion of States were taken on "Saakshar Bharat", implementation of Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, Rashtriya Madhyamik Shiksha Abhiyan, Establishment of Model Schools and Girls Hostel, Core Curriculum of Science and Mathematics Subjects in Higher Education stage, National Vocational Qualification Frame Work etc.. On Higher Education discussion were held with the States on National Education Finance Corporation, Revision on pay scales of teachers of Colleges and Universities, setting up Model Colleges, Connectivity, e-content under National Mission on Education through ICT, Setting up of National Commission for Higher Education and Research etc. Sh. I.D. Dhiman emphasized that Himachal Pradesh should be treated at par with North Eastern States and the share pattern between Central and H.P. State should be 90:10. Regarding implementation of R.T.E. Act,2009 he explained the State's difficulties in declaring neighborhood schools on Central pattern due to sparse population and topographic conditions of the State. The State is already facing problem of low enrolment in the schools and find difficult to provide minimum two teachers at primary level due to low enrolment of students. He assured that all positive steps taken by the country to reform school and Higher Education without compromising the federal set up of the country will be undertaken in the State and it will be endeavor of the State to remain forefront in all these efforts.

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