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Government of India
Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya)
Department of Higher Education

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 17th March, 2023

To

Prof. Prasad Krishna, Director, National Institute of Technology (NIT), Calicut, Kerala - 673601.

Subject:- Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme for the academic year 2023 - 2024.

Sir,

I am directed to inform that the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme was notified by the Ministry of Education (previously Ministry of Human Resource Development) in May, 2001 for implementation in the Central Engineering Institutes (other than IITs) to facilitate the Foreign Nationals (FNs) studying in any country (including India), wards of Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and Non - Residents Indians (NRIs) to pursue Technical Education in India. The guidelines and procedure prescribed under the Scheme are as under:-

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- (v) Number of seats reserved for this category of students in different Institutions shall be nearly 15% of the total number of seats offered for admission [Letter No.F.35-10/2013-TS.III dated 13th February, 2014]. This shall be available in different disciplines proportionately. These seats shall be supernumerary.
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- 2. The DASA Scheme was last administered by the National Institute of Technology, Warangal (Telangana) for the academic year 2022 2023. For the forthcoming academic year 2023 2024, the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme shall be administered by the National Institute of Technology, Calicut (Kerala) as conveyed by this Ministry vide letter of even number dated 6th February, 2023.
- 3. The other terms and conditions, in operation, for implementation of the DASA Scheme will remain same as conveyed vide this Ministry's letter No.F.22-12/2007-TS.III dated 4th March, 2010 (copy enclosed). The Scheme would be taken on self-sustenance basis and no extra funds would be provided from this Ministry in this regard. The Institute should make all out efforts so as to ensure fullest utilization of the capacity under the Scheme.

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- 4. The Directors of Institutes, which administered DASA Scheme previously, shall be responsible for any residual liability including Court Cases, if any. The Court Case, if any, arising out of the process of DASA 2023 shall be handled by NIT, Calicut (Kerala). Consequent upon completion of process, the DASA 2023 (NIT, Calicut) shall submit its report to the Ministry for placing it before the Council of NITSER.
- 5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry.

[Veena Dunga]

Deputy Secretary to the Government of India

Encls.: as above.

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Government of India
Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya)
Department of Higher Education

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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 24th March, 2022

To

Prof. N.V. Ramana Rao, Director, National Institute of Technology (NIT), Warangal, Telangana - 506004.

Subject:- Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme for the academic year 2022 - 2023.

Sir,

I am directed to inform that the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme was notified by the Ministry of Education (previously Ministry of Human Resource Development) in May, 2001 for implementation in the Central Engineering Institutes (other than IITs) to facilitate the Foreign Nationals (FNs) studying in any country (including India), wards of Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and Non - Residents Indians (NRIs) to pursue Technical Education in India. The guidelines and procedure prescribed under the Scheme are as under:-

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- (ix) The parents, living in India or abroad and willing to pay fee(s) prescribed under the DASA Scheme in Indian Rupees at existing exchange rate in place of US Dollars, may be allowed to pay the prescribed fee in INR [Letter F.No.35-10/2013-TS.III dated 1st May, 2017].
- 2. The DASA Scheme was administered by Malaviya National Institute of Technology, Jaipur (Rajasthan) for the academic year 2021 2022. For the forthcoming academic year 2022 2023, it has been decided that the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme shall be administered by the National Institute of Technology, Warangal (Telangana).
- 3. The other terms and conditions, in operation, for implementation of the DASA Scheme will remain same as conveyed vide this Ministry's letter No.F.22-12/2007-TS.III dated 4th March, 2010 (copy enclosed). The Scheme would be taken on self-sustenance basis and no extra funds would be provided from this Ministry in this regard. The Institute should make all out efforts so as to ensure fullest utilization of the capacity under the Scheme.

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Government of India
Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya)
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 9th April, 2021

To

Prof. Uday Kumar Yaragatti, Director, Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur, Rajasthan - 302017.

Subject:- Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme for the academic year 2021 - 2022.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's communication of even number dated 9th February, 2021 (copy enclosed) vide which the responsibility of coordinating activities under the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme has been entrusted to Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur (Rajasthan) for the academic year 2021 - 2022.

- 2. In the background, it is informed that the DASA Scheme was notified by the Ministry of Education (previously Ministry of Human Resource Development) in May, 2001 for implementation in the Central Engineering Institutes (other than IITs) to facilitate the Foreign Nationals (FNs) studying in any country (including India), wards of Persons of Indian Origin (PIOs), Overseas Citizen of India (OCI) and Non Residents Indians (NRIs) to pursue Technical Education in India. The guidelines and procedure prescribed under the Scheme are as under:-
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- (iv) The academic eligibility criteria for admission to the under graduate programmes in NITs and other participating Institutions under DASA shall be same as conveyed under JEE (Main) vide this Ministry's letters dated 8th April, 2016 [Letter F.No.19-5/2014-TS.I dated 8th April, 2016] and subsequent relaxation conveyed for academic year 2021-2022 [Letter F.No.37-2/2019-TS.III dated 21st January, 2021].
- (v) Number of seats reserved for this category of students in different Institutions shall be nearly 15% of the total number of seats offered for admission [Letter No.F.35-10/2013-TS.III dated 13th February, 2014]. This shall be available in different disciplines proportionately. These seats shall be supernumerary.
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- 4. The Directors of Institutes, which administered DASA Scheme previously, shall be responsible for any residual liability including Court Cases, if any. The Court Case, if any, arising out of the process of DASA 2021 will come under the jurisdiction of the Hon'ble High Court of Rajasthan at Jaipur. Consequent upon completion of process, the DASA 2021 (MNIT, Jaipur) shall submit its report to the Ministry for placing it before the Council of NITSER.
- 5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry.

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(ii) The Chairman, DASA-2020 and Director, NITK, Surathkal (Karnataka) - with a request to kindly transfer records pertaining to DASA-2019 & 2020

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Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 9th February, 2021

To

Prof. Uday Kumar Yaragatti, Director, Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur, Rajasthan - 302017.

Subject:- Entrustment of responsibilities of CSAB, DASA, CCMT & CCMN for the academic 2021 - 2022 - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Hon'ble Minister of Education in his capacity as the Chairperson of the Council of National Institutes of Technology, Science Education and Research has approved to entrust following responsibilities to Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur (Rajasthan) for the academic year 2021 - 2022:-

(i) Central Seat Allocation Board (CSAB);

(ii) Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme;

(iii) Centralized Counseling for admissions to M.Tech. / M.Arch. / M.Plan. programmes through CCMT; and

(iv) Centralized Counseling for admission to M.Sc. / M.Sc. (Tech.) programmes through CCMN.

- 2. Allocation of seats to the eligible candidates, as per the merit, shall be the responsibility of the CSAB-2021 (in collaboration with JoSSA-2021), DASA-2021, CCMT & CCMN-2021. For the purposes, MNIT-Jaipur shall ensure compilation and wide dissemination of information relating to the Participating Institutions, highlighting specifics in case of each of the Institutes, wherever necessary.
- 3. The other terms and conditions for smooth operation / functioning of CSAB-2021, DASA-2021, CCMT & CCMN-2021 will remain same as were conveyed vide this Ministry's communications issued for the previous academic year (2020-2021). MNIT, Jaipur will take all necessary steps already enunciated and shall ensure proper scheduling and transparency of the admission process including coordinating with NIC for the desired support.

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- 4. Necessary orders, if any, for re-constitution of CSAB 2021 and JoSAA 2021 shall be issued separately.
- 5. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

[Veena Dunga]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel: 23384159

Copy to:-

- (i) The Chairman, JoSAA 2021 and Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur (West Bengal).
- (ii) The Directors of all 31 NITs and IIEST, Shibpur.

Copy for information to:-

- (i) PS to Hon'ble Minister of Education.
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- (iii) PSO to Secretary (HE), Ministry of Education.
- (iv) PS to Additional Secretary (TE), Ministry of Education.
- (v) PS to Joint Secretary (Admin.), Ministry of Education.

[Veena Dunga]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

F.No.35 - 9 / 2016 - TS.III Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 21st December, 2018

To

The Chairman, DASA - 2019; and Director, NITK - Surathkal, Surathkal - 575025 (Karnataka).

Subject:-

Recommendations of the Working Group constituted by the Council of NITSER to make recommendations with regard to relevance of continuing DASA Scheme.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's Order F.No.35-2/2018-TS.III dated 7th August, 2018 vide which a Working Group under the Chairpersonship of Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairperson, BoG, NIT - Arunachal Pradesh and Chairman, AICTE, Delhi was re-constituted, as per decision taken by the Council in its 11th meeting held on 18th July, 2018, to examine the matter of quality of students getting admission under Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme and also the relevance of continuing of DASA Scheme in view of the above.

- 2. Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairperson of the Committee has submitted the report to the Ministry on 4th September, 2018 for taking appropriate action.
- 3. The recommendations of the above Committee have been examined in this Ministry and the approval of the competent authority is conveyed on the following:-

S.No.	Recommendations of Committee	Approval Accorded
(i)	The best option is to select candidates through JEE (Main) being conducted by NTA. NTA should organize online test of JEE (Main) in the different countries using modern technologies and the	(ii) are approved with a condition that they will be applicable from the academic year 2021 - 2022 onwards.
	admissions may be done on the basis of ranks obtained in JEE (Main). However, the merit list of	that the changes in the admission

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S.No.	Recommendations of Committee	Approval Accorded
	the admissions under DASA category may be prepared separately, keeping the same qualifying marks as decided by JEE (Main). Since there would be abrupt change in the policy, sufficient notice is necessary for its implementation. The admission policy through JEE (Main) should be advertised for a period of two years and should be implemented from 2021-2022.	authority (NTA) well in advance to enable students to prepare accordingly for the upcoming changes.
(ii)	Meanwhile, the admission under DASA scheme for the year 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 shall be based on the SAT score obtained in a single attempt, and applicant should have a minimum valid score of 1800 in SAT score. The applicant has to attempt all three subjects together.	
(iii)	A total number of seats offered under DASA scheme is based on 15% supernumerary basis. 5% of supernumerary seats (i.e. 1/3 rd of the seats of DASA) are reserved for CIWG. However, from the perspective of fee chargeable, the annual income of the parent should be considered. Students, whose parents possess professional degrees like engineering, medicine, architecture, CA etc. should be charged fees at the same level (i.e. US\$8000) as other NRI / FN / PIO (normal DASA category students) and fee chargeable to other eligible students under CIWG may continue to be same as Indian students (Rs.1,25,000/- per student per annum).	Though the recommendation is justifiable, however, it will be difficult to implement the same since we do not have a way to verify parental income of the students in the CIWG category. Therefore, the fee prescribed for CIWG category of students for the last academic year (i.e. Rs.1,25,000/- per student per annum) shall continue to be in operation.
(iv)	DASA scheme is now currently being practiced in all NITs and CFTIs, which is similar to a new proposed programme named as Study in India. It is, therefore,	Regarding integration of DASA scheme with Study in India, the same is approved with a condition that selection for admissions will be done by NIT system as is being

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- 4. The Director, NITK, Surathkal being the Chairman of DASA 2019 is requested to kindly initiate action on the above lines and apprise this Ministry about the action taken from time to time.
- 5. This issues with the approval of the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development.

[A.K. Singh]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Copy to:-

- The Director General, National Testing Agency, IITK Outreach Centre, C-20, 1A/8, C Block, Phase 2, Industrial Area, Sector 62, Noida, Uttar Pradesh - 201309.
- 2. The Head, Study in India, EdCIL (India) Limited, EdCIL House, 18A, Sector 16 A, Noida, Uttar Pradesh 201301 (India).
- 3. Prof. Anil D. Sahasrabudhe, Chairperson, BoGs, NIT Arunachal Pradesh and Chairman, AICTE, New Delhi.
- 4. The Directors of all the NITs and IIEST, Shibpur.

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Under Secretary to the Government of India

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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 30th December, 2019

To

The Director, National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal, Karnataka – 575025.

Subject:- Entrustment of Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA)
Scheme for the academic year 2020 – 2021.

Sir.

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- (iv) SAT-II score of 1800 and 6.5 CGPA on a 10-point scale or 60% aggregate in all subjects of the qualifying examination shall be the academic eligibility criteria for admissions to under graduate programmes in NITs and other participating Institutions under DASA [Letter F.No.35-10/2013-TS.III dated 8th March, 2017].

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The parents, living in India or abroad and willing to pay fee(s) (ix) prescribed under the DASA scheme in Indian Rupees at existing exchange rate in place of US Dollars, may be allowed to pay the prescribed fee in INR. A copy of the communication dated 1st May, 2017 issued in this regard is also attached for ready reference.

- The DASA Scheme was administered by National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal (Karnataka) for the academic year 2019 - 2020 and it has been decided to re-entrust the responsibility of the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme to the National Institute of Technology Karnataka (NITK), Surathkal (Karnataka) for the forthcoming academic year 2020 - 2021.
- The other terms and conditions, in operation, for implementation of the DASA Scheme will remain same as conveyed vide this Ministry's letter No.F.22-12/2007-TS.III dated 4th March, 2010 (copy enclosed).
- 4. As resolved by the Council of NITSER in its previous meetings, the selection of students for admissions in the NITs, IIEST and other CFTIs under DASA Scheme shall continue on the basis of SAT scores. However, from the academic year 2021 - 2022 onwards, the undergraduate admissions under DASA Scheme shall be on the basis of the ranks obtained by students in the Joint Entrance Examination (Main), as communicated vide this Ministry's letter F.No.35-9/2016-TS.III dated 21st December, 2018 (copy enclosed).

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- 5. The Scheme would be taken on self-sustenance basis and no extra funds would be provided from this Ministry in this regard. The Institute should make all out efforts so as to ensure fullest utilization of the capacity under the Scheme.
- 6. The Directors of Institutes, which administered DASA Scheme previously, shall be responsible for any residual liability including Court Cases, if any. The Court Case, if any, arising out of the process of DASA 2020 will come under the jurisdiction of High Court of Karnataka at Bangalore. Consequent upon completion of process, the DASA 2020 (NITK, Surathkal) shall submit its closure report to the Council of NITSER.
- 7. This issues with the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry.

[Pawan Kumar]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Encls.: as above.

Copy to:-

- (i) The Director General, National Testing Agency, C-20, 1A/8, Sector 62, IITK Outreach Centre, Noida 201309 (Uttar Pradesh) for information and further necessary action in accordance with communication dated 21st December, 2018 (copy enclosed).
- (ii) The Directors of all the 31 National Institutes of Technology (NITs) for information.
- (iii) The Director, Indian Institute of Engineering Science and Technology (IIEST), Shibpur (West Bengal).
- (iv) The Registrar, NITK, Surathkal (Karnataka).
- (v) The Webmaster, MNIT, Jaipur for uploading the communication on the website of the Council of NITSER [www.nitcouncil.org.in].
- (vi) Guard File.

[Pawan Kumar] Under Secretary to the Government of India



F. No. 19-5/2014 TS 1 Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

New Delhi, dated 8th April 2016

To The Directors of all IITs Chairman CBSE

Subject: Notifying changes in JEE 2017

Sir,

The IIT Council in its meeting held in October 2015 has constituted a Committee of Eminent Persons to suggest ways for improving the system of Joint Entrance Examination (JEE). The Committee has, after due consultation with the stakeholders, has submitted its report to Government, recommending, among other things, to do away with the weightage given to the 12th Class examination marks in the JEE (Mains) ranking.

- 2. The report of the Committee was examined in consultation with the stakeholders and the Departments of the School Education/Higher Education and the following changes have been approved by the Chairman IIT Council in the JEE pattern for 2017:
 - a) There shall be no weightage for the 12th class marks in calculating the ranks in the JEE Main exam.
 - b) For the candidates to qualify for admission in the IITs/NITs/IIITs and such other CFTIs whose admissions are based on the JEE ranks, they should have secured at least 75% marks in the 12th Class exam, or be in the top 20 percentile in the 12th class exam conducted by the respective Boards. For SC/ST students the qualifying mark would be 65% in the 12th Class exam.

There is no other change in the JEE examination system for 2017.

3. The Chairman CBSE and Organising Chairman of JEE (Advanced) are requested to take necessary action in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

(R. Subrahmanyam)
-----Additional Secretary (TE)

Copy to: PPS to Secy (HE)/Secy (SE)

F.No.37 - 2 / 2019 - TS.III Government of India

Ministry of Education (Shiksha Mantralaya)

Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 21st January, 2021

To

The Directors of 31 NITs; and Director, IIEST-Shibpur.

Subject:- Relaxation in eligibility criteria under Joint Entrance Examination (Main) for the academic year 2021 - 2022 in view of COVID-19 Pandemic.

Madam \ Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's communication of even number dated 24th July, 2020 (copy enclosed) on the subject mentioned above and to state that the competent authority has approved to extend the relaxation in the eligibility criteria under Joint Entrance Examination (Main) for the next academic year 2021 - 2022 considering the prevailing COVID-19 circumstances and for ease of the aspiring students. Accordingly, JEE (Main)-2021 qualified candidates will now only need a passing certificate in class XII examination irrespective of the marks obtained.

2. Above relaxation shall be applicable for the academic year 2021-2022 only. CSAB-2021 shall follow all other conditions for admissions to under graduate programmes of NITs and other CFTIs.

Encl.: as above.

Yours faithfully,

[Veena Dunga]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel: 23384159

Copy to:-

- (i) The Chairman, JoSAA 2021.
- (ii) The Chairman, CSAB 2021.

Copy for information to:-

- (i) PS to Hon'ble Education Minister.
- (ii) PS to Hon'ble MoS (HRD).
- (iii) PSO to Secretary (HE), MHRD.
- (iv) PS to Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD.
- (v) PS to Joint Secretary (Admin.), MHRD.
- (vi) The Webmaster, MoE for placing the letter on the website of the Ministry of Education.

F.No.37 - 2 / 2019 - TS.III

Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 24th July, 2020

To

The Chairperson, CSAB - 2020; and Director, MNNIT, Allahabad (U.P.)

Subject:- Relaxation in eligibility criteria under Joint Entrance Examination (Main) for the academic year 2020 - 2021 in view of COVID-19 Pandemic.

Sir, -

I am directed to refer to your communication No.Nil dated 20th July, 2020 vide which a proposal recommending thereby relaxation in eligibility criteria (qualifying percentage criteria) for under graduate admissions through Central Seat Allocation Board (CSAB) - 2020 was submitted to the Ministry of Human Resource Development for consideration and suitable decision.

- 2. For admissions in NITs and other Centrally Funded Technical Institutions, apart from qualifying the JEE (Mains), the eligibility is to secure a minimum of 75% marks in 12th Board exams or rank among the top 20 percentile in their qualifying examinations. Due to prevailing circumstances, as recommended by CSAB 2020 it has decided to relax the eligibility criterion for admission to NITs and other CFTIs. JEE (Mains) 2020 qualified candidates will now only need to a passing certificate in class XII examination irrespective of the marks obtained.
- 3. Above relaxation is one time shall be applicable for the academic year 2020-2021 only. CSAB 2020 shall follow all other conditions for admissions to under graduate programmes of NITs and other CFTIs.

Yours faithfully,

[Pawan Kumar] Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel: 23384897

Copy to:-

 The Chairman, JoSAA - 2020 and Director, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

(ii) The Directors of all 31 NITs and IIEST, Shibpur.

F.No.37 - 2 / 2019 - TS.III

Copy for information to:-

- PS to Hon'ble HRM. (i)
- PS to Hon'ble MoS (HRD). (ii)
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- PSO to Secretary (HE), MHRD.
 PS to Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD.
 PS to Joint Secretary (Admin.), MHRD. (iv)
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[Pawan Kumar]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

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F.No.35 - 10 / 2013 - TS.III

Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 13th February, 2014

To

The Director,
National Institute of Technology Karnataka – Surathkal,
Surathkal – 575025 (Karnataka).

Subject:-

Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme for the academic year 2014–2015 – regarding.

Sir.

I am directed to refer to your letter No.NIL dated 7th January, 2014 on the subject mentioned above and to communicate the approval of the Ministry of Human Resource Development for the following:-

- (i) In order to attach more students and offer them the branches of their choice, redistribution of DASA seats is allowed with the flexibility of 0% to 30% in each branch provided the overall intake is limited to 15% of the admission capacity in an Institute.
- (ii) All applicants are to pay non-refundable registration fee of UIS\$ 250 [US Dollars Two Hundred and Fifty only] and first semester Tuition Fee along with the application form. The payment has to be made either through SWIFT Transfer or E-payment. The charges for fee payment, if any, should be borne by the applicant.
- (iii) Participating Institutes are to give complete information of hostel facilities available, Institute fees, curriculum, provision for branch change after 1 year, and placement policy in the Institute websites to help the prospective applicants. DASA 2014 shall evolve common norms across all the Institutions regarding placement policy and provision for branch change.
- (iv) It has been decided to cancel the DASA fee waiver scheme.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority in the Ministry.

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[Rajesh Singh]

Yours faithfully

Director (NITs)

Tel: 23073687

Copy for information to:-

(i) The Directors of all the 30 National Institutes of Technology (NITs).

(ii) Guard File.

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> Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 16th February, 2015

To

The Chairman, DASA – 2015, & Director, Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT), Jaipur – 302017 (Rajasthan).

Subject:-

Proposal of DASA Core Committee for enhancement of Registration / Application and Tuition – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your communication No.Nil dated 2nd December, 2014 on the subject mentioned above and in continuation of this Ministry's letter No.F.24-8/2010-TS.III dated 2nd December, 2010 (copy enclosed), the undersigned is directed to state that the Hon'ble Minister of Human Resource Development in her capacity as the Chairperson of the Council of National Institutes of Technology (NITs) has approved the recommendations of the DASA Core Committee for enhancement of Registration / Application Fee from US\$ 250 to US\$ 300 and tuition fee from US\$ 7000 to US\$ 8000 under Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme from the academic year 2015 – 2016 onwards.

Yours faithfully,

[R.S. Solanki] Under Secretary (NITs) Tel: 23385935

Encl.: as above.

Copy to:-

(i) The Directors of all the remaining 29 National Institutes of Technology (NITs) for information and records.

(ii) Guard File.

No.F-24-8/2010 -T.S.III Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

New Delhi, the 2nd December, 2010.

To

The Director
National Institute of Technology, Karnataka,
Surathkai-575025.

Subject:

Launching of DASA 1011-12 Scheme - Approval for changes in the SAT

Score and Fee Structure - regarding.

Şir,

The undersigned is directed to refer to your letter dtd. October 5, 2010 on the above mentioned subject. Approval of the competent authority is hereby conveyed on the following points for the admission of students under DASA Scheme from the academic year 2011-12:-

Minimum SAT Score of 1800 for ensuring a balance between quality as well as number of admissions.

ii) Enhancement of the tuition fee for candidates admitted under DASA Scheme from the academic year 2011-12 to USD 7000/-. The existing concession of 50% tuition fee waiver for candidates applying from SAARC countries will be continued as earlier. 11 Porto

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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 14th June, 2017

To

The Director, VNIT – Nagpur; and Chairman, DASA – 2017, Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT), Nagpur – 440011 (Maharashtra).

Subject:- Fee for CIWG category of students under Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) – regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's communication F.No.35-10/2013-TS.III dated 8th March, 2017 (copy enclosed) vide which the CIWG reservation and its fee structure was communicated under para 2 (1) of the above referred communication.

- 2. The matter of tuition fee structure for the students belonging to Children of Indian Workers in the Gulf (CIWG) category has been reviewed in the Ministry. The competent authority has decided that the students belonging to CIWG category and taking admissions in the undergraduate programmes of the National Institutes of Technology (NITs) under the Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme will pay tuition fee of Rs.1,25,000/- per student per annum either in Indian Rupees (INR) or equivalent US Dollars at existing exchange rate.
- 3. The DASA coordinating Institution is requested to implement the above mentioned decision for admissions to the academic year 2017 2018. The other contents of communication of even number dated 8th March, 2017 (copy enclosed) remain unchanged.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

Director (NITs)
Tel: 23070186
Fax: 23384345

Encl.: as above.

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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
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Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, dated, the 1st May, 2017

To

The Director, VNIT - Nagpur; and Chairman, DASA - 2017, Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT), Nagpur - 440011 (Maharashtra).

Subject:- Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) - regarding.

Sir,

I am directed to state that the Ministry is in receipt of reference / representation regarding paying of tuition fee in INR under Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) scheme.

- 2. The matter has been examined in this Ministry and it has been decided that the parents, living in India or abroad and willing to pay fee(s) prescribed under the DASA scheme in Indian Rupees at existing exchange rate in place of US Dollars, may be allowed to pay the prescribed fee in INR.
- 3. In view of the above decision, the provisions mentioned in para 2.3.1 (Fee Structure Applicants from Nepal and Bhutan) in the DASA 2017 UG Admission Brochure may suitably be modified to enable parents, living in India or abroad, to pay prescribed fees under DASA Scheme either in US Dollar or in equivalent Indian Rupees.
- 4. This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

Yours faithfully,

[A.K. Singh]

Under Secretary to the Government of India

Tel: 23384897 Fax: 23384345

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No.F.22 – 12 / 2007–TS.III Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Higher Education

New Delhi, the 4th March, 2010

To

 The Director, National Institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal – 575 025 (Karnataka)

(2) The CMD,
Educational Consultant India Limited,
Ed. CIL House, 18-A, Sector – 16 A,
NOIDA – 201301, (<u>Uttar Pradesh</u>)

Subject:

Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) Scheme - Change in Policy thereof - regarding.

Sir (8).

I am directed to refer to this Ministry's letter of even number dated 16-04-2009 on the above subject wherein it was, inter alia, stated that:

From the next academic year (2010-11), the admissions under DASA would be centrally coordinated and conducted by National institute of Technology Karnataka, Surathkal. The admission process would be through conduct of a AIEEE/SAT type examination to ensure entry to better quality of students. The entire process would be electronic (web-based) to ensure better time – management and transparency during the admissions.

ii) From the academic year 2010-11, Ed.CIL would be entrusted with the responsibility of providing publicity to DASA scheme in foreign countries on cost sharing basis. The charges to be paid to Ed.CIL for undertaking such a work would be finalized through a consultative mechanism.

iii) NITK - Surathkal and Ed.CIL would jointly evolve a frame work for publicizing the DASA scheme and also generate useful templates to give authentic information to potential students.

Since the responsibility for administrating the DASA scheme is to be entrusted to NITK – Surathkal from 2010-2011, the eligibility criteria, fee to be charged and any other modifications required in the existing guidelines, will be worked out in advance, in consultation with other participating Institutions, and same will be submitted to the Ministry of Human Resource Development by NITK - Surathkal in time.

2. On receipt of necessary inputs from NITK – Surathkal, the matter has been further examined in the Ministry and the broad roles / responsibilities for conducting the aforesaid scheme with effect from the academic session 2010 – 2011 onwards have been decided in the following manner:-

The overall responsibility of running the scheme will be with the National Institute of Technology Karnataka-Surathkal for the years 2011 – 2012 and 2012 – 2013. The proposed scheme would be taken on self-sustenance basis and no extra funds would be provided from this Ministry in this regard. The scheme would also suitably compensate the Institutes involved in undertaking this activity and hence, it would not be a burden on any of the NITs. The responsibility of running the scheme would move from one NIT to another NIT with a typical cycle of three years;

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For the Academic year of 2010-11, the various tasks to be undertaken for the scheme would be as follows:-

NITK's:

- Web-portal for application submissions, admission processing etc.
- Web-advertisement / publicity:
- Advertisement through papers / magazines; and
- - Creation of Blogs.

Ed.CIL's:

Educational fairs and campaigning abroad with representatives from a few NITs.

Joint:

- Circulating DASA admission brochures;
- News items / Press release through consulates, embassies and high commissions;
- Advertisement and publicity through reputed NGO's abroad, Indian Associates and GOI establishments.
- The Institute running the aforesald scheme should make all out efforts so as to ensure for maximum admissions and fullest utilization of capacity.
- 3. This issues with the approval of Hon'ble Minister for Human Resource Development.

Yours faithfully,

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Deputy Educational Advisor (T) 0413

Telefax: 2338 4721

Copy for information to:- The Directors of all National Institutes of Technology (NITs).

Copy to:-

i) PS to Hon'ble HRM.

ii) PS to Hon'ble MOS (HRD).

iii) PSO to Secretary (HE), MHRD.

iv) PS to JS (DL/T), MHRD.

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F.21-2/2001-TS.I Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Secondary Education & Higher Education

New Delhi, the 14th May, 2001

To

The Director, IIIT (A), IIITM (G), SPA, SLIET, NIFFT, NERIST The Principal, RECs CMD, EdCIL

Subject: Scheme for Direct Admission of Students Abroad (DASA) in (Central) Engineering Institutions (other than IITs)

Sir,

In order to streamline the procedure of admissions of foreign nationals studying in any country (including India) and Indian students studying abroad to undergraduate engineering programmes offered in centrally funded engineering institutions other than IITs, Government of India is pleased to lay down the following guidelines and procedure:

- a) All foreign nationals studying in any country including India or Indian Nationals studying abroad who fulfill prescribed admission criteria shall be eligible.
- b) Prescribed admission criteria for Indian Nationals shall be at least five years of education, inclusive of 11th and 12th or equivalent (not beyond), in a foreign country during the last 8 years and must pass the qualifying examination from abroad.
- c) Number of seats reserved for this category of students in different institutions shall be nearly 15% of the total number of seats offered for admission. This shall be available in different disciplines proportionately. These seats shall be supernumerary. A list of institutions is to be covered under this scheme with tentative discipline-wise / institute wise break up is annexed.
- d) Educational Consultants India Ltd. (Ed.CIL) is designated as 'Coordinating Agency' and a 'Single-Window Facility for Admissions' for the eligible students in this category.

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- Ed.CIL shall also be responsible for publicity, issue, receipt and processing of applications and allocation of students to different institutes / disciplines as per merit list of the students whose candidatures are found valid. In lieu of this service, Ed.CIL shall collect from the students an application-cum-processing fee of US\$ 350 per student.
- f) Admission requirements like age and academic qualifications etc. shall be similar to the requirements for admission of Indian nationals studying in India. In addition the candidates must have secured a minimum GPA of 8 on a 10-point scale, if grades are awarded. In case marks are awarded, candidates must have secured at least 75 % aggregate in all subjects of the qualifying examination. Candidates must have also secured a minimum score of 1800 in SAT-II Tests (taken on or after March 1999 for 2001-02 admissions) in Physics, Chemistry and Mathematics II-C.
- g) A tuition fee of US\$ 6000 per annum shall be charged from students in this category. Foreign nationals from SAARC countries seeking admission through this channel shall be allowed 50% fee waiver provided they are studying in SAARC countries only. In addition, there shall be hostel fee, messing charges and other miscellaneous fees that will vary from institute to institute.
- h) This scheme shall come into effect from the academic session 2001-2002.
- Technical institutions covered under this scheme are advised to contact Chairman and Managing Director, Ed.CIL for further necessary action and to confirm the number of seats available in different disciplines in their institutes during the year 2001-2002.

(Pawan Agarwal)

Director

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