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## **OFFICE ORDER**

The Coronavirus or Covid-19 has impacted education immensely throughout the country. Schools have remained closed and school going children are deprived of their classroom learning. In order to provide education to elementary school going children the SCERT has devised a **4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar** starting from **13 July – 7 August, 2020**.

This 4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar is an activity handbook to be used by students, parents and guardians at home under the guidance of teachers. Comprehensive instructions and guidelines for using the Calendar are written in the handbook. Activities to be conducted at home are based on the syllabus and Learning Outcomes are identified and listed in each subject for each class. Suggested age appropriate activities have been planned to engage children in joyful learning at home.

The activities conducted during this period will be evaluated against the 20% internal marks set aside in the CCE Guidelines 2019. Resources to be used for carrying out different activities are planned in such a way that students will make use of available resources at home. Technological resources are kept minimal so that all students will be able to do most of these activities without technological support. Students should be instructed to bring their work during the period to be submitted to teachers when schools reopen.

The **4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar** is published in booklet form to be distributed in soft copy in pdf format via whatsapp to teachers for further distribution. It will also be made available for download at the website of SCERT Mizoram <a href="https://scert.mizoram.gov.in/">https://scert.mizoram.gov.in/</a> and Facebook page of SCERT Mizoram <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/scertmizoram/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/scertmizoram/</a>

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- 1. The P/S to the Hon'ble Minister of School Education for kind information of the Hon'ble Minister
- 2. The Vice Chairman, Human Resources Development Board, Mizoram
- 3. The Commissioner and Secretary to the Govt of Mizoram, School Education Department for kind information
- 4. The Director of School Education for kind information
- 5. The State Project Director, Samagra Shiksha for kind information
- 6. All Principals of DIETs for kind information
- 7. All SDEOs, Mizoram for kind information with a request to disseminate information in their respective jurisdictions for successful implementing of the 4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar in all Elementary Schools of Mizoram
- 8. Presidents of Mizoram Teachers Federation (MTF), Mizoram Middle School Teachers Association (MSTA), Mizoram Primary School Teachers Association (MPTA), Mizoram Independent School Association (MISA)

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## GUIDELINES FOR IMPLEMENTING THE 4-WEEK ALTERNATIVE ACADEMIC CALENDAR

- The 4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar will be implemented in all Elementary Schools in Mizoram during 13 July – 7 August, 2020.
- Presidents of Teacher Associations will be responsible for dissemination of the 4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar among their respective colleagues. They will ensure that the same is implemented.
- 3. All teachers are to follow the guidelines written in the booklet and follow instructions for carrying out different activities for each week.
- 4. Teachers will inform and guide parents and guardians on how to be involved in the activities of their children.
- 5. Teachers should contact personally families who do not own smartphones and hard copies of activities will be delivered to them.
- 6. Teachers should make sure that parents and guardians of their students understand and follow instructions while their children are carrying out their weekly activities.
- 7. Teachers should tell their students that their work completed during this period is to be used for internal assessment and that students are to bring their works when schools reopen.
- 8. Teachers are to be available through phone calls or other means of communication for clarification of problems faced by their students or parents/guardians.
- Teachers should explain to parents/ guardians of their students the guidelines given in the booklet for successful implementation of the 4-Week Alternative Academic Calendar.

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